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# WILL WE ALLOW THE MINORITY TO OVERRULE THE MAJORITY

(Every Granger should read the following speech as presented by Dr. Francis Gallo at the recent Memorial Day Celebration at Winsted, Conn.)

"We are gathered here to dedicate this day to those men who unselfishly made the supreme sacrifice for their country.

"In past generations, when our country called we felt it was our duty to answer. Today a different sense of values prevails amongst our youth. Where have we gone wrong? Is there really a generation gap or have we given our children a wrong sense of values? Have we failed to instill in our children respect for authority, for law and order and for their elders? We must reexamine ourselves and find why we are unable to communicate with our children and attempt to close this gap.

"Do not let these remarks mislead you. I do not condemn all our young people. These remarks are aimed at the militant vociferous minority which has captured our newspaper headlines and our television screens.

"At this time our country is embroiled in a very unpopular war. The present administration is trying to get us disengaged as rapidly as possible without endangering the lives of our soldiers already engaged in the struggle.

"The militant minority of our youth refuses to support our president. In a democracy they have the right to protest and to voice their opinions, but not to disregard law and order and to destroy property. They do not have the right to force their views on those who think differently. They should not be allowed to close schools when the majority of students still want to continue their education.

"Part of the responsibility for this occurrence must be placed on the (Continued on Page 7, Col 1)

### FEDERAL HIGHWAY TRUST FUND

The present law provides for the termination of the Federal Highway trust fund on October 1. 1972.

We all realize there is a continuing need for highway development to accommodate the traffic requirements and to insure an expanding economy, especially in the urban areas.

It is important that the federal interest in highways be continued through the Federal Aid Highway Program under the present concept of Federal-State relationships. It is important that the Highway Trust Fund be continued permanently and that all highway users taxes be dedicated to highway purposes, since the highway needs are so great.

All of Connecticut's Grange citizens should write to the following U. S. Senators:

Hon. Thomas J. Dodd Hon. Abraham A. Ribicoff Senate Office Building Washington, D. C. 20515

And to Congressmen by Districts as follows:

Hon. Emilio Q. Daddario
Hon. Robert N. Giaimo
Hon. Lowell P. Weicker, Jr.
Hon. John S. Monagan
Hon. Thomas J. Meskill, Jr.
House Office Building

Washington, D. C. 20515 and ask them to support legislation for the permanent continued Highway Trust Fund and Highway users taxes to be dedicated to highway purposes.



### NEW ENGLAND GRANGE BUILDING

The committee that has been appointed by the Trustees of the New England Grange Building has met twice and is making plans for additional activities within the building this coming fall. Not only is there a need for more revenue in which to keep the building in repair, but also to have more activities during the exposition period that it may better serve its purpose of promoting the Grange organization.

All Grange members are asked, on attending the exposition, to bring with them food for the food sale table and items for sale at the Christmas table. These are located in the basement of the building.

Plans are under way to have a lace exhibit and sale on the main floor of the building. A percentage of the profit for the sale will be given toward the expenses of maintaining the building.

During the past two years, entertainment has been provided for the public to attend on the day designated as Grange Day. In addition to Grange Day, plans are under way for some form of entertainment on each of the other days during the 10-day period of the exposition.



### SPECIAL NOTICE

TO ALL CORRESPONDENTS — The next deadline for news is Aug. 5th. This will be for the September issue. No Granger will be published for the month of August. This issue is serving for both July and August.

Thanks to all the young folks who worked at the camp during their recent annual spring week-end. A list of needed repairs and improvements, as made up by the camp committee, was reviewed by the young folks attending and then each person or group allotted a project. At the end of their stay that week-end they had assisted tremendously in preparing the camp site and buildings in preparation for the coming camping season. The camp committee is very appreciative of this cooperation and says "THANK YOU".

### LOGIC

A friend of ours says he's read so much about the terrible effects of smoking that he's decided to give up reading.

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# NOTES FROM THE EDITOR'S

(LITTERED)

**DESK** 

### STATE OFFICERS TO "SPREAD THE WORD"

A letter has been sent by State Master Pearl to all State Officers, Deputies and Committee Members explaining the "Doctors for All" project. Each Grange official is asked to be ready to answer questions regarding the program.

Also to stress the need for all Grange members to familiarize themselves with "Doctors for All" and make every effort to see that proper legislation is passed at the coming legislature to implement the program.

### CAMP TRUSTEES ACT

The Trustees of Camp Berger at their meeting on May 17th voted to purchase a new dish washer for the kitchen.

The dish washer is a requirement, made necessary by state regulation for camps. The dishes must be rinsed in water at a temperature of 180°, far hotter than the temperature a person is able to withstand.

### THANKS, SENATOR

Thanks to Senator Alder Ives, a past State Grange Deputy, for his legislative action in securing exemptions for Grange Secretaries from Workmens Compensation. Senate Bill #1578 adds to Public Act #806, Section 2, which reads: "The officer of a fraternal corporation who receives a salary of less than \$100 per year shall not be considered an employee under Section 31-275 of the 1967 supplement to the general statutes."

Thanks, Brother Ives.

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Worthy of comment is the traffic engineer with a keen sense of humor who had this sign placed at a busy intersection notorious for the number of accidents: "Cross Road, Better Humor It."

# MESSAGE FROM THE MASTER:

Summer is here and many of our statewide programs and contests are nearing completion. Other deadline dates are fast approaching. Here are some of the important things to remember. As of June 1st, we had 74 entries in the Pride in Connecticut Contest, sponsored by the National Grange Mutual Insurance Co. Each of you have until Sept. 15th to complete your Community Better Project, there are no special report forms for this contest, all you have to do is, by the specified date, submit a report and pictures to me in 250 words or less, describing your accomplishments. Judges will review and make on the site inspection if necessary. Winners will be announced at our State Grange Session in October. The more reports, the more money available in prizes.

July 1st is the deadline for applications for Granger of the Year Award, sponsored by the Farmers & Traders Life Insurance Co. We must have a minimum of 10 entries. If your Secretary does not have applications, write or telephone either the State Secretary, Ellsworth Covell, or Alden Ives, at the same address, 769 Hebron Avenue, Glastonbury, Conn. 06033. The winner in the state will receive a plaque, plus \$50.00, forward expenses for attending State Grange Session. Sister Mildred Bell was the 1969 winner.

From National Grange we are reminded of the Keep America Beautiful, Inc., and their 1970 National Litter-Prevention Contest. I have one application, which I will make copies of, and send to any Grange that makes a request. Last year Wemanesa Junior Grange won an award. This is a very worthy contest and might be worked in conjunction with our Pride in Connecticut Contest

The most important contest of all is our State Grange Membership Contest, which closes Oct. 1st. The individuals getting the most new members and first recommender will get a \$25.00 cash prize; there are prizes also for second and third place winners. Subordinate Granges can also win cash awards.

Remember, getting new members is a year-round job.

William W. Pearl, Master Conn. State Grange

### **GRANGE INSIGNIA CHINA**

# SAFETY

FOR BICYCLISTS

Three bicyclists were killed in traffic accidents in Connecticut in 1969. This was a seven-case reduction of the bicycle traffic toll over 1968. The three bicycle deaths in 1969 rank as one of the lowest tolls in this category in recent years.

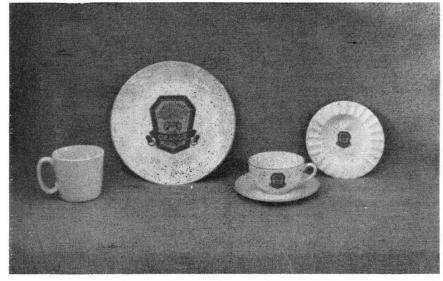
To date this year, we have experienced one child bicycle fatality. This one child death is already one too many. If we are to keep bicycle fatalities at a minimum, we must have the complete cooperation of all citizens of this State.

One fact that is not generally known is that most of the regulations pertaining to bicycle safety are established by statute and are a part of the Connecticut motor vehicle laws. Bicycle regulations which are a part of the motor vehicle statutes include:

- 1. No bicyclist shall operate at a rate of speed in excess of 10 mph.
- All bicycles must be equipped with a horn or bell in good working order, and riders must sound their alarm devices within a reasonable distance before overtaking or passing any person.
- Bicycles must not be ridden on sidewalks, except in instances where local ordinances permit.
- Bicyclists must operate as near to the right of the street or roadway as practicable and shall not ride more than two abreast.
- 5. No bicyclist shall operate on any street or roadway when carrying another person upon the bike, except in cases where the bicycle is built to accommodate two people with separate seats and handlegrips.
- Bicycles must be equipped with lights, reflectors, and brakes, all in excellent working condition.
- Bicyclists are subject to observing the same rules and regulations which pertain to motor vehicle operators.

Your State Safety Committee Carl Svenson, Chairman Lucy Kreuger Don Stands

Some people are so contrary that if they fell in a river, they'd insist on floating upstream.



Have you purchased your Grange China? If not, call the State Lecturer!

# From the Lecturer's Corner:

I wish to express my sincere thanks to all of the Lecturers who we have had the pleasure of working with this year. To those of you who will not be acting as Lecturer next year I want to extend my good wishes and express my appreciation for all that you have done. Anything that you can do to get the new Lecturer off on the right foot will be much appreciated.

All Lecturers and Lecturers-elect are urged to attend Lecturer's Conference which will be held at the University of New Hampshire in Durham from August 17th - 21st. There they will receive much valuable information and gain new enthusiasm for their work in the coming year.

Dates for the regional meetings of Subordinate and Pomona Lecturers will be set in the very near future.

During the hot weather our enthusiasm lags a little but it is important that we keep up our good work and present interesting and enjoyable programs. Remember that this is a good time of year to travel. Neighbor and invite other Granges to do the same remembering that fellowship is one of the foundations of success.

In the fullest cooperation with the membership drive plans of our Worthy State Master, I believe that the Lecturers play a most important role by providing programs that will encourage each new member to keep coming to the meetings and inspire them to invite others to join.

Hope you all have an enjoyable and relaxing summer.

Mervin R. Whipple, State Lecturer



Thurlow Coats, Master, and Marcia White, Lecturer, North Stonington #138. Mervin Whipple, State Lecturer, Arnold Kendall, Lecturer, Preston City #110. Travelling dolls are on the move again with North Stonington taking them in competition with Killingly Grange. Event took place at 65th anniversary meeting of Preston City Grange.

With all the talk about smoking, over-eating, etc., being major causes of heart trouble, we're reminded of this old saying: There are two things hard on the heart—running up hill and running down people.

### A LAYMAN SPEAKS—WHY THIS CHANGE?

(The following article was written by Peter Waitte, a member of Pachaug Grange, and appeared in the Manchester N. H. Union Leader last November.)

"On Sunday, Oct. 26, my wife and I attended the dedication of the physical education center of the Plymouth State College, and we were shocked not to hear the National Anthem played by a state college to show love and respect for our country for which so many have died to give us today the great country that we have, along with the high standards of living and freedom of thought and movement as compared with most of the world.

"If our educational leaders cannot teach love of country at least they can teach respect and appreciation for all those who have died and worked over the years to give what we take for granted today.

"After the meeting, I approached John Barry (of Methuen, Mass., president of the college student senate) and inquired why the National Anthem was not played, and was told that time was a limiting factor, and then asked the musical director the same question, he answered that he was not asked, otherwise he would have been happy to play the National Anthem.

"Later that evening I looked up Louis Sleeper, Commander of the Plymouth American Legion and spoke to him along with a few other Plymouth businessmen and the reaction was the same—disbelief that such a thing could happen in our school system. Mr. Sleeper also stated that he would have the Legion look in the situation to see that this may not happen again. Not only is he the Legion Commander but also the Fire Chief along with his other activities.

World War II found me an electrician's mate with the Amphibious Forces and as the oldest man aboard ship they called me 'Pop' and many came to me with their problems. Our ship stopped at many islands before we reached Okinawa where fighting had already ceased. It was just the time of a great hurricane where many more lives were lost. Every moment that I could go ashore was spent talking with the veterans of the fighting and after looking over many of the caves that our fighting

men had to storm, my respect and admiration knew no bounds. There was also sorrow for the men that died and those maimed for life.

"History always fascinated me, for only by reading and analyzing the past can we ever hope to improve the future without making all the mistakes over and over again for which humanity has paid such a terrible price. History has shown time and again that when a nation feels that it is not willing to fight for what it inherited - then the handwriting is on the wall. The desires not to fight are many—a good living that many just cannot bear to give up, interruption of education or a business career, let the other guy do the fighting. Many of our greatest men and fighting men had the same feeling but would not admit it, least of all, show it, and finallywhat mother or father enjoys seeing their son drafted?

"But then, every generation seems to go through it and both World Wars, I and II, have shown that when one country was brutally conquered there was no stopping there. The world tried sacrificing small countries in World War II, that did not work either. Most of the world was involved before the war ended. It could have been so different.

"On returning home I did some investigating, found that the Norwich Free Academy in Norwich, Conn., graduated over 800 students last June and did not play the National Anthem at the graduation exercises! One small school did not even have an American flag on graduation night!

"There seems to be some question as to whether school officials are beginning, on their own, to be afraid of their own shadows because of a few radicals, or they no longer wish to teach students love of country and pride in being an American.

"Can it be that both the U. S. Government and State Government are at fault here?"

### SUGGESTIONS— PUBLICITY COMMITTEES

1. Work closely with local correspondents. Find out what they want and how they like it presented. Sometimes these people can even get a press photographer for you for an important meeting.

- 2. Try the little "trade papers" which are usually bulk mailings to "Postal Patrons". Marion Beecher highly recommends these.
- 3. Utilize the "Community Bulletin Board' programs of local radio stations. They like material on a post card, a week in advance.
- 4. For special events try to get one of your members to "stand by" with a camera. Even if you have arranged for a press photographer it may be that an accident, fire or some personal emergency may keep him from getting to your meeting. Find out if the local papers can use polaroid prints, or if it is possible to submit film for processing in their own dark room.
- 5. If you take pictures for the paper or for the Connecticut Granger, a posed picture is usually better than, for instance, one taken at the altar during a presentation. If you can get your subjects together before or after the meeting you can pick your background. Besides, in my opinion, flash bulbs detract from the ceremony. Keep the group as small as possible and still tell the story. Remember, you have to identify everyone, two or three is better than a large group. It is also difficult to get all faces visible in that third row. Watch out for light flares on glasses (and bald heads).
- 6. Most newspapers would rather have advance publicity than a report of what happened. Try to get both, when practical.
- 7. Above all, keep your sense of humor and be slow to criticise, quick to praise and use those magic words, please and thank you. A smile helps, too.
- 8. Call on your State Publicity Committee if we can be of assistance. We do our best, but there are 5 of us and 151 of "You" and there are not enough nights in the week for everything that we ought to do, never mind what we'd like to do.
- 9. PROMOTE THE CONNECTI-CUT GRANGER. Let's not lose the best source of Grange information in the state.

Shirley Patridge, Chairman, State Grange Committee

One of the most merciful and gracious privileges of humanity is the second chance, a new opportunity to rise triumphantly above any failures or defeats of the past.



MR. and MRS. WILLIAM PEARL

State Master Mr. William Pearl and Mrs. Mary LaVangie Pearl are shown as they return from a short wedding trip to the Washington D. C. area. While there they paid a visit to the National Grange Headquarters at 1616th Street. Brother and Sister Pearl will reside in Hampton. All Grangers in Connecticut offer congratulations and best wishes.

### SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT

When I was eight years old and was spending a week-end visiting my Aunt Libby Linsley at her home in Stratford on the Housatonic, a middle-aged man called one evening and, after a polite skirmish with my aunt, he devoted his attention to me. At that time, I happened to be excited about boats and the visitor discussed the subject in a way that seemed to me particularly interesting. After he left, I spoke of him with enthusiasm. What a man! And how tremendously interested in boats! My aunt informed me that he was a New York lawyer, that he cared nothing whatever about boats - took not the slightest concern in the subject. "But why then did he talk all the time about boats?"

"Because he is a gentleman. He saw you were interested in boats, and he talked about the things he knew would interest and please you. He made himself agreeable."

I never forgot my aunt's remarks. William Lyon Phelps

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### WHAT NEXT?

(From the National Grange "Grange Newsletter")

Brother William Brake, Lecturer of the National Grange, was, as the old saying goes, just minding his own business on a nice afternoon in Kansas City, Missouri. He was there following a Farmers and World Affairs meeting in St. Louis, where he was re-elected president. For some time now he has been wearing in his lapel an American flag pin for both personal reasons and because the Lecturer's department has a flag promotion project going on.

Brother Brake had taken some time to go into a store to browse around and on his way out encountered eight to ten "hippie" types on their way in. One of them spotted

the flag pin and ordered Brother Brake to take it off. He refused to do so and a rather vigorous shoving match ensued. The police arrived and found one hippie on the ground and a slightly dazed National Lecturer from a blow he took on the side of the head. Grangers everywhere will be happy to know that Brother Brake is fine and still wearing his pin. When we talked with him about the incident, he said this kind of thing really points out the disrespect so many young people have for their country, their flag and their fellow man. "In my opinion," said Brother Brake, "many of these acts regarding the flag, etc., are treason and should be treated accordingly."

### **STATE GRANGE FAIR, JULY 24-25-26, 1970**

Plans for the third annual Connecticut State Grange Fair are progressing, with many new features being planned July 24, 25 and 26 at the Durham Fair Grounds. The Connecticut State Grange Fair has been named a major fair, as of this year, by the Connecticut Fair Association. It will be so listed in the State Fair Association Fair Booklet which will soon be in the hands of the general public throughout this and neighboring states.

The fair will open officially on Saturday morning, but the gates will be open at 6 p.m. Friday evening for the Pony drawing, as well as many other booths and exhibits being open.

A large horse show will be a new feature this year, under the direction of Tim Kelleher of Shelton. A pre-premium book brochure has been printed, with entry blanks and information relative to the horse show and entering.

It should be emphasized that entries in the fair, for judging or for display purposes, are open to all, non-Grangers as well as Grangers.

Saturday will find oxen drawing a major attraction. Professional entertainment will be featured Saturday afternoon and evening, as well as Sunday afternoon and evening. Of special interest is the United States Navy Submarine Band and drill team which will perform on Saturday.

A midway will be featured on the green at the top of the hill in Durham, with the remainder of the fair on the grounds immediately below the green. Rides, a ferris wheel and all the things which go to make a fair popular among the "small fry" will be in full operation.

Thirteen young ladies—one from each Pomona section of the state—will be circulating among the patrons of the fair, their aim being the votes in the ballot boxes which will officially elect one of them Miss Fair Queen for the following year. The present queen is Miss Debbie Tomlinson of Woodbridge.

Horse drawing will start the day on Sunday. The horse show mentioned previously will continue throughout the day Sunday as well.

### STATE YOUTH COMMITTEE

CHANGE - CHANGE - CHANGE

As in all aspects of life, today, as in the past, we are constantly involved in change, so it is with the State Youth Committee.

The state committee has been requested by the National Youth Director, Brother William Steel, to change the time of our Prince, Princess and Young Couple Contest. This change is to enable these young folks to gain more knowledge as to what is expected on a national level and to give them equal opportunity with the contestants from other states.

To accomplish this change, plans are being formulated to select the young folks to go to the National Session from Connecticut in 1971 this fall, probably at the Annual Session in October. This will give our contestants an opportunity to travel about the state and gain experience from October 1970 until November 1971.

More definite information will be given out at a later date.

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#### MAJORITY

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school administrators who have been afraid to use a strong hand to restrain them at the very beginning, when much of what has happened could have been prevented.

"The president of one university demonstrated how this could be done. He let them voice their views and then told them if they would not abide by the rules and regulations of the university, then they could leave the school. All demonstrations ceased.

"Has this militant minority forgotten that they were deferred from military service to continue their education? For every one who was deferred another boy who might not have been called had to take his place in the armed forces. These boys are fighting in their places and are having their morale demoralized to know that, while they are risking their lives, they are being undermined and ridiculed at home.

"Blame also must be placed on the silent majority. They should let themselves be heard and insist on their rights to continue their education. For in a democracy the opinion of the majority rules. Have we forgotten so soon how an organized vociferous militant minority rose to power in Russia, Nazi Germany and Fascist Italy?

"It is time that we remembered the lessons of history. For every action there is a counter reaction and if calmer heads do not prevail there is apt to be a revolt from the extreme right and a clash will be inevitable with a resultant revolution and anarchy.

"Let us all go home and examine our consciences and let our voices be heard. We cannot continue to let an organized militant minority bring down this great democracy of ours, because if they gain their will it will then become a rule by force which means dictatorship.

"Democracy's strength lies in the ballot box. If one does not like the way the country is being governed let him get candidates of his views and elect them. The will of the majority is thus demonstrated and not by those who speak the loudest and cause the most destruction and disobedience of law and order."

### **CWA NEWS**

I don't know where Spring has gone, but here it is Summer already. Summer means "FAIR TIME" and it is almost here. We have lots of activity going on at the Connecticut State Grange Fair this year so it behooves us all to get busy so we will be ready to make our part of the fair a huge success.

First we have the judging of the baking contest. All winners at subordinate level are to make entries for judging at the fair. Tomato Soup Cakes are to be judged Saturday, July 25th, and Banana Breads on Sunday, July 26th.

The Bread Boards, Rickrack Trimmed Aprons and Barbie Dolls will be judged on Saturday, July 25. Please see if you can get lots of entries for these contests.

Also—don't forget the White Elephants. We need saleable articles—not necessarily new but No Rummage, please! We also need volunteers to nelp at this table. If you can help, drop me a line and let me know when you will be available.

Keep promoting our Needlework Contest. We want many entries for this. State judging will be at the State Grange Session in October.

Contributions are coming in slowly for our projects—Cystic Fibrosis, Keech Memorial Fund and Care. However, we are a long way from our goal. Perhaps you can plan some extra activity to help boost these funds; a cake walk, a penny auction or something similar, and earmark the profits for these funds. Every little bit helps.

SEE YOU AT THE FAIR.

Eunice S. Stowell

### IN APPRECIATION

Thanks to the many friends of John Campbell who sent condolences at the time of his death on April 27th. As a Past Master of Bethlehem and Middlebury Granges and through his work with installing officers in both Connecticut and Florida he made many Grange friends.

His son, Richard Campbell.

#### IN APPRECIATION

The family of Gladys Covell Murdock, a member of Wolf Den Grange, express their appreciation for the many cards of sympathy received at the time of Gladys' death.

Ellsworth Covell



First Prize Winners in National Grange Sewing Contest:

Left to right in picture:

Class B — Susan Best, Weston, Conn.—Norfield Grange.

Class C — Ruth Hickcox, Weston, Conn.—Norfield Grange.

Class A — Barbara Foskett, Cheshire, Conn.—Cheshire Grange.

Other Prize Winners:

Class A -

2nd Prize — Mrs. John Myjak, Rockfall, Conn., Middlefield Grange.

3rd Prize — Mrs. Katherine Griffin, Ellington, Conn., Ellington Grange.

Class B -

2nd Prize — Cindy Fretts, Litchfield, Conn., Goshen Grange.

3rd Prize — Cynthia Tarr, Putnam, Conn., Putnam Grange.

Class C -

2nd Prize — Mrs. Julia Latham, Old Lyme, Conn., Lyme Grange.

3rd Prize — Mrs. Betty Sypniewski, Seymour, Conn., Seymour Grange.

### WHY GET INVOLVED?

"Some have said that it is not the business of private men to meddle with government . . . to say that (They) have nothing to do with government is to say that private men have nothing to do with their own happiness or misery; ought not people concern themselves whether they be naked or clothed, fed or starved, deceived or instructed, protected or destroyed?"

### OUR JUNIOR GRANGE

### JULY FOURTH, INDEPENDENCE DAY

Of the many great days in the history of our country, none is more universally celebrated, none is more filled with meaning to true patriots, than July fourth, 1776, the birthday of the United States of America.

The events which led up to the adoption of the Declaration of Independence tell the story of the birth of a new nation which was "conceived in liberty and dedicated to the proposition that all men are created equal."

DID YOU KNOW

The true seeds of American independence were planted on American soil by the first permanent English settlers, especially the Pilgrims, who came to the New World in search of religious freedom. Americans were not strictly English; the Dutch, the Germans, the French Huguenots and Scotch-Irish all scattered in colonies along the whole frontier became the United Colonies and when their freedom in a new land was threatened decided they ought to be Free and Independent States.

The First Continental Congress, which met in Philadelphia on the Fifth day of September 1774, brought the Colonies together forming the United Colonies.

The Second Continental Congress in May 1775, at war with England, still could not agree on declaring their independence from Great Britain although some great leaders felt it was inevitable.

On June 7, 1776, Richard Henry Lee of Virginia presented three resolutions to the Continental Congress; the result, Thomas Jefferson was entrusted with the important work of writing the Declaration of Independence.

July 3rd and 4th, 1776, were spent by Congress in discussing the Declaration. It was finally adopted by unanimous vote late in the afternoon of July fourth by the thirteen colonies. The original of this great state paper is carefully preserved to this day in Washington.

### FOURTH OF JULY NIGHT

Just see those pinwheels whirling round

Spitting sparkles on the ground, And watch that rocket whoosh so high,

Then turn to flowers in the sky— Green and yellow, blue and red. And look at me still not in bed!

### GAME CHARLEY OVER THE WATER

One player is chosen to be Charley, and if there be more than 20 players there should be two or more Charlies, to make the action more rapid. Charley stands in the center; the other players join hands in a circle around him and dance around, repeating the rhyme: "Charley over the water, Charley over the sea. Charley catch a blackbird, can't catch me!"

As the last word is said, the players stoop, and Charley tries to tag them before they can get into position. Should he succeed, the player tagged changes places with him.

### WHO WILL BE THE NEXT JUNIOR PRINCESS?

Junior Granges, do not forget to choose your Prince and Princess who will represent you at your respective run-offs. The contest year ends July 15th. Carefully check your forms, answering all questions as points are credited based on your answers. The forms may be obtained from your Junior Deputy.

### THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

Obey bike safety rules and swim with a buddy for a happy, healthy summer.

Dorothy Mattson, Junior Grange Supt.

### **OUR INDIVIDUAL RIGHTS**

"Americanism means Equality of Opportunity," therefore each man and woman is entitled to a fair chance. Upon this rests the foundation of government and the future of our country.

The problem of equality is how to regulate it, that each receives his share when individual rights are demanded. Recent months have seen the rights of many, as individuals and groups, granted through peaceful demonstrations and turn to violence and destruction it is necessary to take measures of control and force.

Thus, as we grant the rights of one group, the rights of others are taken away. The recent demonstration in New Haven, Conn., is a prime example.

Merchants lost millions of dollars as they found it necessary to close their places of business and board up the windows as a precautionary measure against looting

Thousands of citizens lost the right to shop in New Haven stores in the customary manner. Had the stores been open, they would not have dared to walk the streets in the

Police and soldiers were denied the right to spend the week-end with their families and friends, instead were called upon to stand by at New Haven in case of trouble.

This was also true of firemen in New Haven and surrounding towns who were on 24-hour call in case of fire.

Where do we find the "Equality," not of opportunity, but of equal rights to all? How can we give each individual his rights and still not take away the right of others?

Where do we find the answer to these questions? Perhaps in one of the lessons our fraternity teaches: "Do unto others as you would wish them to do unto you."

(Ed.)

### Central Pomona No. 1

SOUTHINGTON #25 Virginia Hoadley, Corr.

Our Dairy Supper was held on May 21st instead of the date announced previously. It was a success, netting \$210.00. We served 137 dinners. An award of \$200.00 was presented to Thomas V. Giles at an assembly held at the High School. Thomas is a graduating Agricultural student, who will continue his Agricultural studies at the University of Massachusetts in the field of landscaping. Sister Mildred Bell, Master of Southington Grange, made the presentation.

Coming: July 17—Vacation—Tall Stories; July 24—Mystery Ride; August 7—Deputy Night; August 21—Work for the Fair—Pot Luck Supper.

Southington Grange will sponsor the annual Southington Agricultural Fair this year. The dates are August 29 and 30. Everyone is welcome to enter and attend.

Chicken Bar-B-Q put on by Joe Bell on Sunday, starting at 1 p.m.

### 50-Year Presentation

Sister Hannah Crafts, 90, member

### NEWS FROM AMONG THE GRANGES

of Southington Grange #25, was presented her 50-year certificate and pin by Brother and Sister Walter E. Wood, Chaplain and Flora of the Florida State Grange, at a family gathering at the Bradley Memorial Hospital in Florida where she is a patient. Sister Crafts has been an active grange member and her six children, their spouses and her three grandchildren are also 7th degree members.

### MERIDEN #29

Anna M. Snow, Corr.

A large crowd of Grangers and their friends attended the 85th Anniversary of Meriden Grange. Fiftyyear members were honored, also the Past Masters of Meriden Grange. The Bell Ringers of Center Congregational Church entertained for the program. Mrs. Rufus Lewis, a granddaughter of Charles Pomeroy, who started the Meriden Grange, read the Grange History. The Grange was started in Meriden, March 27, 1885. the first meeting was held at the home of James T. Pomeroy with 32 people present. It has grown to over 300 members. Lunch and fellowship were enjoyed after the meeting.

### MATTABESSETT #42 Edith Kropack, Corr.

Mattabessett Grangers hope to see you all at the State Grange Fair at Durham in July. We will have the same booth as usual, selling hot dogs, hamburgers, coffee, etc. Do stop and say "Hello" to us. We served the Future Farmers a nice dinner in May. Rummage sale was held and a Dairy Supper in June. Auction coming up. Don't forget to save the days, July 24, 25 and 26, to go to the STATE FAIR to see and participate in the events, bring friends and neighbors along.

### WESTFIELD #50 \* Mrs. Mildred Paddock, Corr.

At a recent meeting of Westfield Grange #50 Past Master Leslie A. Wilcox was presented with his Golden Sheaf Certificate and a 50-year pin by Brother Herbert Porter, Treasurer and Past Master of Westfield. Brothers Wilcox and Porter were neighbors and at one time served together on the Board of Selectmen in the town of Cromwell. Our recently held Mystery Ride ended up at Broadcast House in

Hartford where we saw the show "What in the World" televised, after which we were given a Tour of the Radio and Television Studios of WTIC. Twenty-one of our members enjoyed this evening.

#### DURHAM #57

May Sanderson, Corr.

On May 7th an interesting program was presented by Police Officer George Kilthan of Community Relations Division. His speech included showing slides and samples of all kinds of drugs, etc., used in this awful drug situation today. A question and answer period followed. This program was open to the public. On May 21st, Youth Night, 9 members from Chester Grange came to visit us on a mystery ride. Our program consisted of piano solos, duets, guitar and singing by children of some of our Grange members. Coming meetings are: July 3, omitted; July 17th, Outer Space Program; August 6th, picnic, and on August 20th, safety.

#### MIDDLEFIELD #63

Marion T. Jones, Corr.

Middlefield Grange has met its quota of eight dresses in the Sewing Contest. We made a donation to Cancer and a donation toward the summer planting of the flower bed on the town green and gave an award to the child in the school who made the most improvement during the year and also National Youth Leader Training Fund.

The Fifty-Niners Homemakers made donations of toys to the Foster Parents Day of the Connecticut Welfare Association.

#### BRISTOL #116

Ethel Rusgrove, Corr.

Our June 2 meeting featured the Carey Cadettes. One meeting scheduled in July, July 7, to be in charge of the officers with neighboring grangers invited July 21, no meeting, going for a mystery ride.

### Quinebaug Pomona No. 2

QUINEBAUG POMONA #2

Beverly Peck, Corr.

A successful Church Sunday was held in Pomfret. The fifth degree was conferred for inspection with 21 candidates present. Elections in June with installation scheduled for September.

MANSFIELD #64

Beverly Peck, Corr.

June brought election of officers. A mystery ride is scheduled for July with annual picnic in August. Youth attended work week-end at Camp Berger. Held a successful Dairy Club Supper.

### ASHFORD #90

Lucy Krueger, Corr.

We voted to make a donation to the town youth baseball team. Boating course has been completed. In July, Junior Grangers will put on part of the program. Also voted to enter Pride in Connecticut Contest.

### SENEXET #40

Annette Clark, Corr.

Nearly two hundred members and friends attended Senexet Green Sash Night on May 6th. The program was Springtime Minstrels and was open to the public. Our own members made up the singing group and kitchen band. Our accompanists, Sister Laureckis of Killingly and Sister Morraty of Killingly, and the Norwich Band added much to the success of the evening. We were pleased to have several State Officers as well as our Quinebaug and visiting Pomona officers with us. The minstrel will be repeated in the near future for the benefit of the Day Kimball Hospital Building Fund.

### LITTLE RIVER JUNIOR GRANGE #20

Greg Peck, Corr.

We conferred the degree on several candidates for inspection. We will continue work meetings during the summer. A picnic will be held in July at the home of the Pecks in Mansfield Center.

### WOLF DEN #61

On July 8th we are having a program to honor our flag. Our annual July picnic will be held at the Brundrett's house at Alexander's Lake. Please contact a Wolf Den member for details. On August 12th we will have a program on vacation fun, and on August 26th Wolf Den Grange goes on vacation (meeting omitted).

### WOLF DEN JR. #18

All summer work meetings held from 2:30 to 4:30, weather permit-

ting, we will have a well supervised swimming party at our Matron's house. This summer we hope to visit Wold Den, the State Park and Paul Miller's Farm.

ASHFORD #90 Villa Blanchard, Corr.

State Deputy Edward Duhamel officially inspected our Grange May 27, when the third and fourth degrees were conferred on candidates from Ashford and Putnam. We donated to the Storrs Chapter of F.F.A. Scholarship Fund — after viewing movies presented by members and a counselor of F.F.A.

PUTNAM #97

Mrs. Florence Pitkin, Corr.

Neighbors' Night was recently observed at Putnam Grange with guests from Little River, Canterbury, Plainfield, Killingly, Natchaug and the Moosup Valley Granges. Pomona Deputy Austin Emmons installed Robert Summers as steward. Kenneth Post of Moosup Valley Grange showed slides and gave an interestin talk on Japan. At the previous meeting, Katherine Donovan was presented a 25-year Certificate and pin by Past Master Harold Franklin.

### East Central Pomona No. 3

EAST CENTRAL POMONA #3

East Central Pomona will not meet now until September 12 at 5:00 p.m. at Good Will Grange as guests of Hillstown Grange #87. The officers wish all a most pleasant summer.

MANCHESTER #31 James McBrierty, Corr.

On May 20th Manchester Grange celebrated its 85th Anniversary. The celebration was held in the same room in which Manchester Grange was founded. The Worthy State Master and State Lecturer were present along with many other dignitaries. Sister Lucy Thompson was presented her 60-year Certificate by Past State Master Alfred Beckwith. Sister Luna Hutchinson, a 64-year member, presented her with her 60-year Pin. Brother Sydney MacAlpine was presented his 25-year Certificate and Pin.

### HILLSTOWN #87

Hillstown is now on the summer schedule, meeting July 9th and then August 27th. We wish all a safe and pleasant summer. While on vacation, remember The Parcel Post Booth at our Fair in September.

Mail your 25¢ packages to Sister Mabel McCaffrey.

HILLSTOWN JUNIOR #77

At the Juniors last meeting their JGR Roundup was held under the direction of Junior Deputy Sister Hauser. There were 75 in attendance and a good time was had by all. On June 29 plans were completed for the trip to Mystic Seaport for JG Day. The boys and girls raised the funds for the trip and have looked forward to going.

### Mountain County Pomona No. 4

EUREKA #62

Elizabeth Roberge, Corr.

We have held a very successful Rummage and Bake Sale. All of our officers were present when we attended the Service at the Nepaug Congregational Church in a body. We then had an indoor and outdoor clean-up party at our Grange Hall with a Pot-Luck Dinner afterwards. The July 7th meeting will be omitted and on July 21st, "Summertime" will be the theme of the program. The August 4th meeting will also be omitted and on August 18th, "Loose Ends" will help wind up the season.

PLYMOUTH #72

Pearl B. Foerch, Corr.

At our open house meeting 119 attended. A Scotch Clan, 14 in the group, drilled and played several songs on bagpipes and drums, all dressed in kilts. A dance group from Bristol completed the program in a modern jazz dance as of 1970. On July 1st the Youth Committee will be in charge, on July 15th Farm and Home Agriculture Night. On July 29th Neighbors' Night with visiting officers and on Aug. 12th our Mystery Ride.

LITCHFIELD #107 Marian N. Plumb, Corr.

Forty-seven visiting officers from National, State, Pomona and Subordinate levels were present at our May 28th meeting. The program "Hawaiian Vacation," put on by Sister Alta and Brother Donald Peck. Sister Mildred and Brother Richard Bates featured slides of Hawaii and the auction of a live pineapple plant flown in from Hawaii for the occasion.

One thing is certain, no matter how thick the mosquitos get, you will never see a screen door on a submarine.

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### New Haven County Pomona No. 5

NEW HAVEN COUNTY #5 Elizabeth Carlson, Corr.

New Haven County Pomona held its regular meeting on June 9 at North Haven Grange Hall. Election of officers was held and Carl Mattson was elected Master and Pauline Mendelson, Lecturer. We were honored to have the State Prince John Hallbach as our guest. Sister Ruth Haller, Wallingford, was chosen Fair Queen candidate to represent New Haven County at the State Grange Fair. We will all be rooting for our charming Junior Deputy and wish her the best of luck. The Pomona picnic was held at Mixville in Cheshire on June 20 with games, swimming and a covered dish supper. Our next meeting will be Installation of Officers on Sept. 15 at Seymour Grange Hall. Winners from New Haven County, on the State level, in the Sewing Contest were: Barbara Foskett, Cheshire, first, and Barbara Sypniewski of Seymour, third.

GUILFORD #81

Louise Bishop, Corr.

Mrs. Ida M. Hawell celebrated her 104th birthday on May 20. She is also on the 50-year membership list. Guilford Grange voted to make a substantial contribution of money and food to a Grange family needing temporary (emergency) assistance.

BETHANY #188

Election of officers was held on June 4 when Richard Leion was elected Master and Harland Tuttle, Lecturer. A very fine float was entered in the Memorial Day parade with a goodly number taking part.

### NORTH HAVEN #35

On June 12 a successful Buffet Dairy Supper was held, open to the

public, with a fine crowd attending. Arlene Tolette was elected Master for a second term. She is the first woman to serve in this capacity in the Grange's 84-year history. Phyllis Flood was elected to the office of Lecturer.

#### SEYMOUR #91

Seymour Grange was greatly honored recently by a visit from Worthy State Master William Pearl and his wife, Mary. At this time he presented Golden Sheaf Certificates to Brother Everton McConney and Silver Certificates to Sister Hazel Curtis, Brothers Stephen Chucta and Michael Behuniak. Many members paid their tribute by coming to Grange to honor "Scotty," who is so active in our Grange. Many Pomona officers were present on Pomona Officers' Night held in June.

### TOTOKET #83

Betty Carlson has been elected Master of Totoket for the coming year and Winifred Cooke was reelected Lecturer. A successful Dessert Card Party was held on June 23 for the benefit of North Branford Scholarship Fund. Our Annual Picnic will be held at the home of Lillian Adams at Pawson Park on July 14.

### 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 its last regular meeting. Brother Austin



Mary LeLand Degree team of Konomoc Grange #41 resplendent in lovely new blue gowns this year. Representing the team: Seated, Ella Gardiner; standing (I-r) Fannie Stone, Helen E. Tinker, Irma Fiero, Anne Hirschfeld.

Emmons, Pomona Deputy for Eastern Connecticut, was present for the annual inspection.

### NORWICH GRANGE #172

During the past month Norwich Grange entertained the officers of New London County Pomona Grange for Pomona Officers' Night at which time Worthy Lecturer Louise Chapman presented a Patriotic Program. The Grange has also held a memorial program at which time members who have passed to the Grange Above were remembered.

### LEDYARD JUNIOR GRANGE #58

Ledyard Junior Grange has held its inspection with Sister Barbara Clark, Junior Deputy of Sea View Pomona, as the inspecting deputy. Also present was Brother Henry Kulisck, Deputy of Sea View Pomona. Sister Louise Chapman, Junior Deputy of New London County Pomona, presented National Grange Junior Merit Awards to Leslie and Lori Laputz and Sharron Chapman. Lori and Leslie were also awarded the Connecticut State Grange Junior Achievement certificates.

MONTVILLE #212 Peter Sepowitz, Corr.

Neighbors' Night was held at our first meeting in May, when our Worthy Lecturer Sister Gertrude Sepowitz's program for the evening was entitled Help Us Honor Mother in remembrance of Mother's Day. Our Worthy Chaplain Lois Metz was in charge of the program for our second meeting in May. A Chaplains Memorial Program titled Memories are Precious was presented to members and visiting guests. Our Anniversary of Montville Grange #212 (our seventh) was held on Tuesday, June 2, 1970, starting off with a pot luck supper and followed by an anniversary program arranged by the Master and Lecturer.

### NORTH STONINGTON #138 Mrs. Rose Jean Berg, Corr.

A Piano Recital was held in May, the proceeds going towards a \$100.00 scholarship to be given to a graduating senior of Wheeler High School. The Grange catered to a Dog Show and a Mother's Day dinner was held which was a huge success. Chairman Alice Speck and the Youth Committee entered a float in the Memorial Day Parade, promoting the North Stonington District Fair, to be held on July 10th, 11th and 12th.



New member (left) Rocco Caprilozzi of Preston City #110 with Joe LoPresti. These are two of the "Barn Cat Grangers" a New London County Pomona musical group which plays Country and Western, Rock and Roll and everything in between.

### Excelsior Pomona No. 7

WASHINGTON GRANGE #11 Linda Tooth, Corr.

Our coming programs are: July 6, Picnic; July 20, Green Thumb, and Aug. 17, Vacation.

BEACON VALLEY GRANGE #103

Joanne Cipriano, Corr.

At our anniversary program on May 22, Frank Warner, Steward of the State Grange, presented a 50-year certificate and pin to Sister Ida Hotchkiss and 25-year certificates and pins to Sister Olive Greenwood and Brother Jay Hoyt. Sisters Althea Cook, Nettie Woll and Brother Joseph Fetyko were also to receive 25-year certificates but were unable to attend.

### WATERTOWN GRANGE #122

Our programs for July are: July 3, Our Town (Past and Present); July 12, Grange Picnic, and July 17, Sing-A-Long, in charge of the Music committee.

### POMPERAUG GRANGE #185

On July 14 we will have a picnic—no meeting—and July 28 our program will be SURPRISE, SURPRISE (Fun Night) Neighbors, and our Aug. 11 program will be In the Good Old Summertime—Neighbors Night.

### BETHLEHEM GRANGE #121

Clara Osuch, Corr.

Bethlehem Grange presented an impressive memorial service for our deceased members of the past year. The Cancer Drive sponsored by

Bethlehem Grange has gone over its goal. Our coming programs are July 13, Women's Activities Night, and July 27, Hobby Night.

### PROSPECT GRANGE #144 Ruth Cowdell, Corr.

Our plant sale May 2 added a nice sum to funds for fixing up the hall. Aluminum siding has been put on the building and new curtains in the dining room. More work will soon be done in the kitchen. Coming events include a picnic on July 10 and on July 24 a mystery ride-short business meeting before leaving.

### Sea View Pomona No. 8

### SEA VIEW POMONA #8

Sea View Pomona conferred the fifth degree on eleven new members. Dorothie Stands will represent the Pomona in the Fair Queen Contest this year. The next Pomona meeting will be in September, with the installation of new officers.

#### EAST HADDAM GRANGE #56

A successful foodless food sale has been held, members visited Clinton for a neighbor's night in June. A Memorial Service was held in memory of the members who have died during the past year.

### KILLINGWORTH GRANGE #66

Killingworth held the annual litea-bike program in May, Grange Sunday was held on the first Sunday in June and the dairy supper was also held in June. Our spring military whist card party was a modest success. Plans are underway to have a food booth at the Grange State Fair.

### CLINTON #77

We had a very successful bike inspection; completed 25 childrens and two adults. On July 17 at 5:30 p.m. we will have our pot-luck picnic on the lawn in front of the Grange hall, followed by our meeting at 8 o'clock. Visiting Grangers and their families will be welcome providing they furnish some eats. August 7th program is in charge of the Lecturer, Sept. 4th will be Vacation Memories.

#### CHESTER GRANGE #158

General Deputy Warren Narducci, Sr., presented Sister Evelyn Bennett with her Golden Sheaf Certificate and lifetime membership card. A

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competitive program was held in June, also a mystery ride to Durham Grange.

### OLD LYME GRANGE #162

Twenty-one members of Old Lyme Grange attended the May meeting of Sea View Pomona, six of whom were candidates for the degree. The one and only meeting on the 10th is designated as a "surprise."

### OLD SAYBROOK #198

A successful Dairy supper was held, the Youth of our Grange donated many things for our underprivileged box. Many old members have been welcomed back recently.

### Fairfield County Pomona No. 9

TRUMBULL #134

Lillian Brewer, Corr.

A United States Saving Bond was presented to the Trumbull High School graduate excelling in Home Economics. Mrs. John Kaechele, Chairman of the Community Progress Committee, made the presentation at the assembly on June 4th. Proceeds from a recent games party, sponsored by the Progress Committee, have been donated to the Trumbull Historical Society Committee of the Restoration Campaign. The annual dairy supper was served by the Women's Activities Committee, comprised of Mrs. Hugo Heiden, Chairman, Mrs. Grace Monsanto, Mrs. Howard Dilliston and Mrs. Mollie Lenhard, on June 6th, in conjunction with the membership drive and card party.

#### RIDGEFIELD #165

Mrs. Beatrice Stillman, Corr.

It was reported that Brother Tom Moore has been elected Gatekeeper for the State Youth Grange and will be installed in September. Brother Moore reported on his attendance at the clean-up weekend at Camp Berger. The Grange has supplied refreshments for the monthly party given to patients at Fairfield Hills Hospital by the local Mental Health group.

#### DANBURY #156

Rose Slate, Corr.

At a recent meeting the Youth presented the program, assisted by our Junior Grangers. A donation has been made to a fund for an open heart operation on a child in Danbury. An impressive meeting was held on May 28th at which time State Master William Pearl presented several members with 25, 50 and 60-year certificates. Danbury Grange was awarded a plaque in recognition of Red Cross work done by the members. The Willing Workers are making cancer pads and have contributed financially to the Danbury Grange treasury. Announcement was made of a Fair to be conducted at the Grange Hall on Beaver Brook Road, Danbury, on July 11th, starting at 10 a.m. and will continue throughout the day. The meeting scheduled for August 13th will be omitted. There will be one on Aug.

### DANBURY JR. GRANGE #86

R. Slate, Corr.

The officers of Danbury Junior Grange were impressively installed on May 24th by Worthy Supt. Dot Mattson and her young staff from New Haven County. On May 22nd the Juniors had a workshop at which time they made popcorn plaques. Their next meeting will be on June 5th at 7:30 p.m.

### POKONO #191

E. Dirkes, Corr.

A fine program arranged by Mrs. William Thornhill was enjoyed by a capacity audience from 14 Granges at an open meeting at the Grange

Hall on the evening of May 21st. Musical talent from Rippowam, Washington, Greenfield Hill and Danbury Granges, plus performers from Brookfield and former State Pianist Mrs. Ethel Bartholomew with piano and saw, delighted everyone. The May party in our monthly series at Fairfield Hills Hospital was hostessed by the Lutheran Women of the Prince of Peace Church. Pokono received a certificate of appreciation from the American Red Cross for its work with Brookfield Bloodmobiles.

## Housatonic Valley Pomona No. 10

METICHEWAN JUNIOR GRANGE #19

The highlight of our Junior Activities was our participation in the celebration of the Metichewan Grange Golden Anniversary. We sang a group of folk songs with Adele Smith accompanying with her guitar. Juniors who sang were Lillian Jean Miller, Anne and Colleen McCord, Rosemary Provost. Other activities will be working at our Housatonic Valley Pomona Fair taking care of games. We are grateful for two camperships from our Pomona and one from the Northwestern Past Masters.

### CORNWALL #32

Amy V. Whitcomb, Corr.

Cornwall Grange held two meetings during June, the first being roses and rice. June 15th was election of officers. During July we will hold one meeting which will be a picnic in charge of the sisters. It will also be Woman's Activities Committee right.

#### WICHITA #132

Charlotte M. Rowe, Corr.

We have given a \$100.00 scholarship at Wamogo Regional High School. About two-thirds of this was raised by a donation march at each meeting. All are welcome to Grange Sunday and picnic on July 12th.

#### METICHEWAN #190

Alice J. Smith, Corr.

Metichewan Grange celebrated its 50th anniversary May 20th. Brother Frank Prelli, Overseer of the Conn. State Grange, presented ten Golden Sheaves and pins for 50-year membership to Mrs. Leslie Marsh, Mrs. Genevieve Lynch Noxon, Carl Larson, Miss Nellie Larson, Mrs. Clara

Stack, Harold Osborne, Charles C. Smith, Paul Caldwell, Milton Osborne and Mrs. Harriet Carlson. Charles C. Smith, one of the charter members, gave an interesting history. A special poem, written by a deceased charter member, The Spirit of Metichewan, the Legend of Lovers Leap, was recited by Mrs. Norman Page. Everyone enjoyed the Bell Ringers from Danbury. Sister Margaret Hoad was complimented for the decorations in the hall and dining room. Charles C. Smith, charter member, and Mrs. Walter Schutte were co-chairmen of the oc-

### Farmington Valley Pomona No. 11

WINDSOR #2

Leopold Bromead, Corr.

With elections behind us, we turn our attention to our "Fair and Fun Meeting" July 9th. Saturday night card parties will remain in effect throughout the summer months. With vacations and picnic time here we at Windsor Grange wish all Grangers a very happy and safe summer.

### GRANBY #5

Vivian C. Shaw, Corr.

Around \$50.00 has been raised by teacup auctions for the State Lecturer's project for clothing and toys for needy children under five years of age. Granby Grangers recently voted to give a campership of one week at Camp Berger to a child of one of our members. The July 2 program will be a film from State Police on Safe Driving. The July 16 and August 20 meetings will be omitted. On August 6 there will be a program put on by the local 4-H.

#### CAWASA #34

Hazel Bradley, Corr.

We had four entries in the sewing contest. Beverly Higley, a non-member, placed first, Sharon MacLaurin second and Geraldine MacLaurin third. Sharon MacLaurin also took first for a dress for someone under 18 years of age. The food sale was very successful. The program for our meeting on July 10 will be "That Old Gang of Mine," in charge of Betty-Jane, Marion, Bill and Bud. The July 24 meeting will be omitted but a card party is scheduled for that night. A card party is also scheduled for August 14 and a regular meeting for August 28th.

SIMSBURY #197

Ethel Phillips, Corr.

We held a cake walk and added the proceeds to our Scholarship fund. Had 14 entries in the sewing contest. Alma Necker took first for Tomato soup cake, Romona Clapper first on Banana Bread in the bake contest. We will have a float in the Simsbury Tercentenary Parade. Our meeting July 9th will be "Let's Relax" Picnic, August 27th the show must go on.

FARMINGTON #49

Mamie Woodward, Corr.

Our June meetings were election of officers and a program in charge of the CWA Committee with a Dairy Supper.

### Pioneer Pomona No. 12

CANNON #152

The Joe Bell Barbecue was so successful that we have already booked one for May, 1971. Details will be announced later.

As in the past, only one meeting will be held in July and in August, on the third Thursday, and the annual picnic, scheduled for August 6.

PIONEER POMONA #12

D. M. Kasperait, Corr.

At the June meeting, Mrs. Margaret Potcher, Chaplain, conducted a short but impressive Memorial Service, with the Chaplains of the subordinate Granges listing their members who had passed to the Great Grange above. Election of officers at this meeting resulted in Lyman Clark, of Housatonic, as Master for 1970-71, and Mrs. Ethel Keene, of Norfield, as Lecturer. Edeltraud Zele, of Harmony, was selected as Pioneer's candidate for the Grange Fair Queen.

HARMONY #92

D. M. Kasperait, Corr.

Plans are under way for Harmony's Annual Fair, to be held Friday, Sept. 18, and Saturday, Sept. 19. The monthly card parties have been most successful, and the annual Dairy Dinner and Lite-A-Bike inspection conducted during June a credit to those in charge. During Monroe's annual Memorial Day parade, Harmony members again held a bake sale. As in the past, we provided seats and parking places for spectators and cars. The Committee for Women's Activities conducted a brush party, with a sizeable contribu-

tion to the treasury as a result. The committee has made contributions to "Cystic Fibrosis," the Keech Memorial Fund and to "Care."

NORFIELD #146

Note the change in date for the "Country Fair"—now scheduled for Sunday, Sept. 6 (rain date Labor Day, Sept. 7). A Joe Bell Barbecue and other special features are being planned. Mark your calendars now.

We have taken in several new members in the past few months and look forward to a successful year.

### North Central Pomona No. 13

EAST HARTFORD GRANGE #37 Isabel Shiba, Corr.

On July 3 we will hold our last regular meeting. The next time we meet will be August 21st. At this meeting we will make plans for our annual "Booster Night," open meeting.

WAPPING GRANGE

Hannah Williams, Corr.

(From the old records of Wapping Grange, probably in the late 1800's. Grange prestige was an important part of the organization in those days. Have we lost some of this interest in later years?)

We have, this evening, a subject to bring before our Grange which we regret very much but which we feel obliged to do for the good of our Order. We have heard that our Worthy Master has taken to frivolous amusements, beneath the dignity of one invested as he is with the power of Master of our Grange. We older ones feel in duty bound to remonstrate with him at least, and see if he cannot be persuaded to give up his dangerous pastime. He is reported as having been seen riding backward on a large hog, around in his own yard, flourishing a butcher knife, and to all appearances playing Indian. Whether he has lately been to a circus or some Wild West show, we do not know, we are totally at a loss to account for his actions, and would like to hear from some of the older heads, and find out what is best to be done with one who has so prominent a position and persists in taking such dangerous exercise or amusement, whichever you are disposed to call it.

From one who is solicitous for the welfare of our Order.



RICHARD J. MISSETT

Richard J. Missett has been named acting Agency Director of the National Grange Mutual Insurance Co., according to an announcement made by company President Kenneth P. Colby.

Missett replaces Roger C. Emery, who is retiring as Vice President and Agency Director.

Mr. Missett, who joined the company in 1952 as a claims adjuster, has served as a State Agency Manager in Massachusetts and Rhode Island. He came to the home office as Assistant Agency Director - Sales in 1962 and was elected an Assistant Secretary of the company in March of 1966. He and his wife, Eleanor, and their daughter reside at 88 Kendall Road, Keene.

Some from Connecticut will remember Mr. Missett when he was in Massachusetts and Rhode Island as State Agent for the National Grange Mutual.

### YOUTH LEADERSHIP FUND

I have just received a request for contributions to the Youth Leadership Fund. Individuals and Granges should support our youth by sending contributions to: Mr. William A. Steel, Director of Youth Activities, National Grange Headquarters, 1616 H. Street, N. W., Washington, D. C., 20006.

William W. Pearl, Master, Connecticut State Grange

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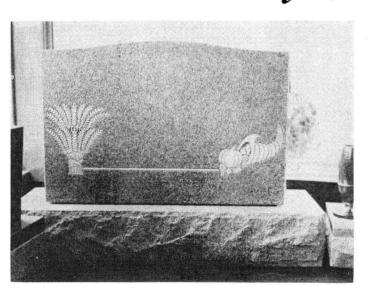
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