

JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS  
**CALIFORNIA**  
**STATE GRANGE**

PATRONS OF  
HUSBANDRY

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THIRTY-NINTH ANNUAL SESSION

## SOCIAL FEATURES OF THE SESSION

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1. Program of Reception, tendered by Patrons of Tulare County, to all Patrons. Tuesday Evening.

Selection ..... Mrs. Shiffert's Mandolin Club

Address of Welcome on behalf of Tulare Co. Pomona  
Grange ..... W. A. Bates

Address of Welcome on behalf of Citizens of Visalia.....  
..... Mayor Cutler

Responses to Addresses of Welcome .....  
.....E. T. Pettit, Master California State Grange  
.....W. W. Greer, Past Master California State Grange  
.....F. H. Babb, Lecturer California State Grange

Piano Solo ..... Miss Merle Bisher

Selections by Quartette .....  
.....Mrs. Burland, Helen, Frank and Elmer Burland

Illustrated Lecture on Resources of Tulare County.....  
.....A. E. Mlot, Secretary Tulare County Board of Trade

Recitation—"On Nebraska's Fertile Shore"...Grace Fitzgerald

Closing Address ..... Senator Larkin

Light Refreshments.

2. Automobile Excursion through Citrus Belt of Tulare County, Thursday.

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*of the*

# California State Grange

PATRONS OF HUSBANDRY

*held in*

STEVENS HALL, VISALIA  
OCTOBER 2 TO 7, 1911

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ORGANIZED JULY 15, 1873

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NEXT SESSION TO BE HELD IN SEBASTOPOL  
THIRD TUESDAY IN OCTOBER, 1912





OFFICERS OF THE CALIFORNIA STATE GRANGE  
FOR 1911 AND 1912

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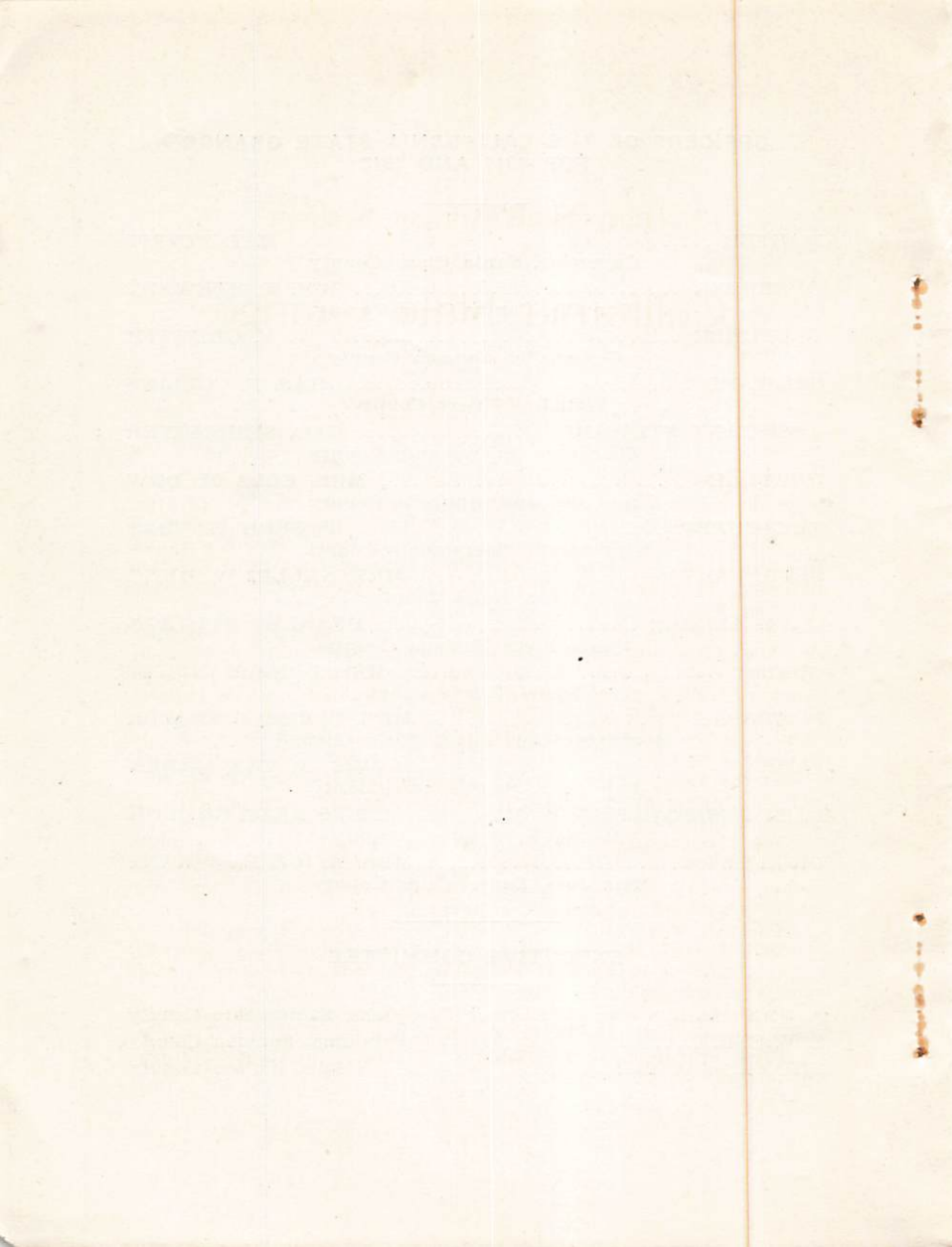
MASTER .....	E. T. PETTIT
Cupertino, Santa Clara County	
OVERSEER .....	WM. E. STEWART
Danville, Contra Costa County	
LECTURER .....	W. V. GRIFFITH
Geyserville, Sonoma County	
STEWARD .....	CHAS. F. COLLINS
Dinuba, Tulare County	
ASSISTANT STEWARD .....	GEO. SEHLMAYER
Elk Grove, Sacramento County	
CHAPLAIN .....	MRS. ELLA M. DOW
East Oakland, Alameda County	
TREASURER .....	JOSEPH HOLMES
Sacramento, Sacramento County	
SECRETARY .....	MRS. NELLIE W. HUNT
Napa, Napa County	
GATE KEEPER .....	STANLEY STETSON
Santa Rosa, Sonoma County	
CERES .....	MRS. EDNA HARTLEY
Visalia, Tulare County	
POMONA .....	MRS. JAMES T. STOVER
Mountain View, Santa Clara County	
FLORA .....	MRS. A. VAN MAREN
Fair Oaks, Sacramento County	
LADY ASSISTANT STEWARD .....	MISS RENA CHURCH
Petaluma, Sonoma County	
ORGANIST .....	MRS. ALICE E. WINANS
San Jose, Santa Clara County	

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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

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A. VAN MAREN .....	Fair Oaks, Sacramento County
S. L. STICE .....	Petaluma, Sonoma County
THOMAS JACOB .....	Visalia, Tulare County



# Thirty-Ninth Annual Session *of the* California State Grange

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## FIRST DAY—TUESDAY

### FORENOON

The thirty-ninth annual session of the California State Grange was opened in ample form in the fifth degree at 11 a. m., in Stevens Hall, Visalia, California, by Worthy Master E. T. Pettit.

The following officers responded to roll call: Worthy Master, Worthy Lecturer, Worthy Steward, Worthy Assistant Steward, Worthy Treasurer, Worthy Secretary, Worthy Pomona and Worthy Flora.

Officers acting pro tem were: Worthy Overseer, W. V. Griffith, Worthy Chaplain, Sister Dow; Worthy Ceres, Sister Hanson; Worthy Gate Keeper, L. J. Church; Worthy Lady Assistant Steward, Sister L. J. Church; Worthy Organist, Sister Hartley.

Officers absent during the entire session were: Worthy Chaplain, Worthy Gate Keeper, Worthy Lady Assistant Steward, and Worthy Organist.

At the close of the opening examination Brother W. H. Russell and Sister W. A. Bates of Dinuba Grange were obligated in the fifth degree.

After the opening song the Grange closed in the fifth and opened in the fourth degree, and Worthy Past Master W. W. Greer and W. V. Griffith were called upon to speak, and each gave a brief but impressive address.

The roll was called and twenty-seven Granges responded.

The Worthy Master then appointed the following committees:

Credentials—Brothers C. F. Collins, Peter Hanson, Joseph Jackson, and Sisters Carrie Holmes and Joseph Jackson.

Order of Business—Brothers F. H. Stiles, A. Van Maren, A. E. Burnham, and Sisters H. G. Keesling and Nora M. Patterson.

Press—Brothers F. H. Babb, C. E. Davis, and Sisters Lizzie Woods and O. E. Borrette.

Division of Labor—Brothers W. W. Greer, F. L. Hunt, J. F. Spalding, and Sisters M. L. Gamble and Minnie Church.

Resolutions—Brothers H. G. Keesling, H. N. N. Latimer, J. L. Patterson, and Sisters Minnie Church and Robert Hill.

Fifth and Sixth Degree—Brothers E. F. Greenwood, W. V. Griffith, Geo. Sehlmeier, and Sisters L. J. Church and Joseph Jackson.

Pomona Feast—Brothers D. R. Deming, M. Farrell, G. W. Covert, and Sisters S. L. Stice, Frank King and A. Van Maren.

Constitution and By-Laws—Brothers W. W. Greer, W. A. Bates, and Sister J. E. Metzger.

Finance—Brothers L. J. Church, A. R. Dow, and Sister C. Hansen.

Memorial—Sisters Mary Gregory, A. R. Dow, May Cutler, and Brother W. E. Stewart.

Several announcements were made and recess was declared until 1:30 p. m.

#### AFTERNOON

Grange was called to order at 1:30 p. m. by Worthy Master Pettit, and the Committee on Credentials made a partial report, which was adopted.

The following report of the Committee on Order of Business was adopted:

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### ORDER OF BUSINESS

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#### FIRST DAY—TUESDAY

1. Roll Call of Officers.
2. Calling Roll of Subordinate Granges.
3. Presentation of Credentials.
4. Appointment of Committees.
5. Report of Committee on Credentials.
6. Report of Committee on Order of Business.
7. Reports of Officers of State Grange.
8. Calling Roll of Subordinate Granges for the Introduction of New Business and Reports for Reference without Debate.
9. Motions and Resolutions.
10. Reception by Patrons of Tulare County.

#### SECOND DAY—WEDNESDAY.

1. Reading and Approval of Minutes of Previous Day.
2. Report of Committee on Credentials.



3. Calling Roll of Subordinate Granges for the Introduction of Reports and Resolutions without Debate.
4. Unfinished Business.
5. New Business.
6. Motions and Resolutions.
7. Reports of Committees.

## Afternoon

1. Lecturer's Hour.
2. Election of Officers. (The Order of Business was changed so that the election of officers took place at 3:30 p. m. Thursday.)

## Evening

1. Reports of Committees.
2. Unfinished Business.
3. Report of Memorial Committee, 9 p. m.

## THIRD DAY—THURSDAY

1. Automobile Excursion from 8 a. m. until 3 p. m.
2. 3:30 p. m.—Reading and Approval of Minutes of Previous Day.
3. Report of Committee on Credentials.
4. Calling Roll of Subordinate Granges for Introduction of Reports and Resolutions without Debate.
5. Unfinished Business.
6. New Business.
7. Motions and Resolutions.
8. Reports of Committees.

## Evening

8 p. m.—Conferring of Fifth and Sixth Degrees, to be followed by Feast of Pomona.

## FOURTH DAY—FRIDAY

## Forenoon

1. Reading and Approval of Minutes of the Previous Day.
2. Reports of Committees.
3. Unfinished Business.
4. New Business.

## Afternoon

1. Reports of Committees.
2. Unfinished Business.

## Evening

Installation of Officers.

The approval of the minutes of the last day to be left to the Executive Committee.

The hours of meeting shall be: Opening, 9 a. m. and 1:30 p. m. and 7:30 p. m.; closing at 12 m. and 5 p. m.

Should any of the foregoing Orders of Business not be completed on the first, second or third day of the session, it shall begin on the succeeding day where it left off on the former, except that the reading of the minutes and the report of the Committee on Credentials be the first in order each day.

F. H. STILES,  
A. E. BURNHAM,  
A. VAN MAREN,  
NORA M. PATTERSON,  
MRS. H. G. KEESLING.

Brother Latimer then made a motion that the heads of committees read their reports instead of calling upon the Secretary to do so. The motion carried.

Worthy Master Pettit requested Worthy Past Master Greer to preside while he read his report, which was referred to the Committee on Division of Labor.

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**MASTER'S REPORT**

Officers and Members of the California State Grange:—

It affords me pleasure to welcome you to the thirty-ninth annual session of the California State Grange. As the representatives of the greatest industry of this great nation, we may feel a just and patriotic pride in our efforts to promote the welfare of our country and of mankind.

We meet this year for the first time in many years in Tulare County, the most southern Grange county of the State, and yet one which is very near the geographic center. Let us hope that from the good seed here sown the order may extend both south and north until this section with its wonderful agricultural advantages and possibilities shall be not only the geographic but also the Grange center of the State.

We see before us many new faces. Some are here for the first time as acting delegates. We bespeak for them a cordial welcome from our older members, and hope to receive from them helpful suggestions and new ideas.

We find among us also some vacant seats of those who were

once zealous co-workers with us in this good cause: Their labors of love are ended and they have gone to their reward. Let us cherish the memory of their virtues and emulate their example by striving more earnestly to act well our part in carrying forward the work by them so well begun.

From an agricultural standpoint the past year has been a fairly prosperous one for our State. Although crops in some sections were damaged by late spring frosts, the returns both in quantity and in price have in most cases exceeded early expectations. When we read of the suffering from extreme heat and drought, followed by destructive storms and floods in Eastern states, we have reason to be thankful that our lots have been cast in pleasant places.

#### CONDITION OF THE ORDER

While the order in this jurisdiction may not show that increase in numerical strength we hoped for, and for which we earnestly labored, there is in most sections no lack of evidence of a vital and healthy growth and interest. Where this interest and growth is most noticeable the results may in most instances be traced to a few—sometimes to one—devoted workers, who never weary in well doing. During the past year three new Granges have been organized, viz: Eucalyptus Grange, located near Hessel Station, Sonoma County, and Greenfield Grange and Ft. Romie Grange, both in Monterey County; Sebastopol Grange, which for several years was dormant, has been reorganized and shows promise of again taking first rank as of old.

#### AMENDMENTS

Two amendments to the constitution of the State Grange have been submitted to the various Subordinate Granges and now come before you for final action. Both of these refer to a change in the time of holding our annual session. One proposes to amend Article 4 by striking out the words "first Tuesday" in the second line and inserting "third Tuesday." The other would strike out "first Tuesday in October" and insert "second Tuesday in December."

#### THE NATIONAL GRANGE

The forty-fourth session of the National Grange, held at Atlantic City last November, was one of unusual interest and enthusiasm. There was a very large attendance and the New Jersey Patrons gave a characteristic Grange welcome and made a



fine exhibit of the agricultural products of the State. Twenty-eight states were represented. The report of the National Master showed that 454 Subordinate Granges had been organized and reorganized during the year, this being a larger number than in any other one year except the preceding year for thirty-five years.

The receipts for dues indicate an increase of 85,000 in paid membership. This certainly shows a prosperous condition of the order.

Several constitutional amendments were proposed, among others was one by your representative asking that an organist be added to the list of officers. The only change adopted was in reference to nomination of candidates for office. In such states as adopt the method a member may mention the name of another member as a candidate for office.

The National Grange re-affirms its position of last year on legislative issues and especially urges a united effort for a general Parcels Post.

### CO-OPERATION

Co-operation and education are so closely allied that they might very properly be spoken of under one heading. Our entire educational system of which we justly boast is founded on co-operation, and on the other hand no co-operative movement can be a success except by educating the people to appreciate its advantages.

In the early history of Grange work in this and other states too much importance was given to the material and financial betterment of our condition and not enough emphasis was placed on the social, moral and intellectual improvement. As a consequence many of the business ventures proved disastrous failures while a few were eminently successful. The greatest success achieved by the order has been as an educator in moral and social reforms.

A few days since an earnest worker in the only Grange in one of our Bay counties said to me: "Our little Grange is recognized as the most potent influence in our county for all that is best and most helpful for the whole community." In my own home county this year it is estimated that the early crop reports sent out by the Granges in co-operation with the Farmers' Union encouraging growers to hold for better prices, resulted in a gain of no less than a quarter of a million dollars to the fruit growers of the valley. In this county where we are today assembled a future generation will have reason to thank the Pat-



rons now living for their foresight and unselfish work. The same is true in every community in the State where a Grange is maintained and the true Grange spirit prevails. If all who now share in these benefits would join with us and do their part in this co-operative work these beneficial results might soon be doubted.

### LECTURE WORK

Next to the office of Master, I consider that of Lecturer the most important in our order. The success, life and interest maintained by any Grange, whether State, County or Subordinate, often depends on the efficiency, activity and good judgment of the Lecturer.

Our efficient State Lecturer has been very much handicapped during the past two years by circumstances over which he had no control, and I have often felt the loss of his able services in supplying calls from fields both new and old where people are anxious to know more about the order and need encouragement in their work. There is a broad area of our State where the Grange has as yet no existence. Many sections are fast becoming populated with new settlers who need and should have the awakening, vitalizing influence of the Grange. These can best be reached through the work of a Lecturer both by personal addresses and through the public press.

The work of our Pomona and Subordinate Lecturers is of such importance that I venture to suggest for your consideration the advisability of the State Grange paying a part, say one-half, of the traveling expenses of each Pomona and Subordinate Lecturer who attends the State Grange meeting. I believe it might be money wisely expended.

### EDUCATION

The need and desire for educational reform is finding expression the world over, more especially in the United States. When we find the number of children brought before the Juvenile Courts in some of our cities exceeding those graduated from our High Schools, the conclusion is forced upon us that something is wrong. On this subject a leading county paper well says: "We may just as well face it now as any time; the ordinary public school is excellent up to a certain point; beyond that it is ineffective. If the boy himself or his parents will not guard his interests until he reaches a stage of reasonable accountability, which the elementary schools are incapable of doing, then a substitute of some sort is imperative. Vocational schools seem to provide the requisite incentive. We must have them. The State

must provide them. The people must pay for them for society demands them. They may be expensive, but if they will keep your boy or girl or your neighbor's boy or girl in decency and teach them to help themselves into honorable employment, the cost should not be considered. Such a system will immensely relieve the congestion in our reformatories and penitentiaries and largely empty and keep empty our Juvenile Courts. From the Educational Committee we may hear further on this phase of the subject.

I desire to call especial attention to the work of the Agricultural Department of our University at our State Farm at Davis. This work is each year becoming more popular and efficient. On Saturday, October 14th, a special Country Life Conference will be held, at which the "Re-direction of Rural Schools" will be the chief topic of discussion. I hope all Patrons who possibly can will attend this meeting.

#### LEGISLATION

The proposed Reciprocity Treaty between the United States and Canada, which for several months has greatly agitated the people of both countries, has been finally settled by a decisively adverse vote by the people of Canada. The National Grange and the farmers of the country generally, but especially those of the middle, eastern and northwestern states, strongly opposed the treaty, not because they were against reciprocity in principle, but because they believed the treaty unjust and unfair to the American farmer.

The efforts for reform in our taxation laws in this State for which the Grange has labored for years has made a great advance by the adoption last fall of Amendment No. 1 and action on the subject by our last legislature. The new system is now on trial and with a few modifications promises to be a success.

We regret to report that our Fraternal Fire Insurance bill again failed to become a law. The reason for its failure is perhaps now useless to discuss. The bill passed the Assembly with little opposition, for which much credit is due Assemblyman Wyllie of Tulare and Assemblyman Slater of Sonoma, both of whom worked faithfully for its passage. The senator who introduced the bill, after promising to do all in his power to have it become a law, let it die in committee without even calling it up for consideration.

We will in a few days be called upon to vote on an unusual number of Constitutional Amendments, some of which are of vital importance to the future of our State. These will doubt-

less be reported on by the Legislative Committee, and I commend them to your careful consideration.

### GOOD ROADS

The people of our State have voted a tax of eighteen million dollars for road improvement. This large amount, supplemented by the liberal appropriations being made by most of the counties, should, if judiciously and economically expended, give to this State roads unsurpassed by any in the nation. The important question now is what plan or principle should be followed in the expenditure of this fund. Shall it be chiefly used in the construction of a few broad boulevards paralleling our main railroad lines and connecting our largest cities, to be used chiefly for pleasure by the city automobilists, or shall it be largely spent in improving lateral highways reaching from shipping points on the railroad or river to the farming districts where is grown the vast quantity of commercial products, which in order to reach a market, must first be carried over these lateral roads? In my judgment, the true principle of road improvement should be to facilitate commerce and thus add to the development of the country's resources for the benefit of all, rather than for the pleasure and enjoyment of the few. I recommend that some action be taken at this session favoring this view.

### IN MEMORIAM

Each succeeding year the Silent Reaper gathers to Himself some ripened sheaves for the eternal granary, and at this meeting we greatly miss the fraternal hand clasp and cheering word of faithful members who for many years have stood shoulder to shoulder with us in this good work. Their absence from our ranks may well remind us that

"We are nearer than we're dreaming  
To that bright and happy shore;  
We're closer than we're seeming  
Where the shadows fall no more."

It is fitting and proper that at some time during your session an hour be set aside and devoted to appropriate exercises in memory of those who during the past year have been called to lay down their implements on earth.

### IN CONCLUSION

There are other subjects of interest to the order of which I might speak, but I fear this report is already too long, and doubtless some things which I have omitted will be brought to your attention in the reports of other officials.



We are just beginning the work of our annual session. The benefit each will receive from this meeting will depend chiefly upon the individual effort put forth by each to make it what he thinks it ought to be.

I am here tempted to quote a closing paragraph from Brother Atkinson, Worthy Overseer of the National Grange: "The Grange has upon it a tremendous responsibility in these modern days which it can meet only by the radicalism of sound thinking and the conservatism of deliberate action. Superficial thinking and ill-advised action will not discharge our responsibility or accomplish the ends sought. Into every action of the Grange must be put the most virile brains that can be found upon American farms if it would discharge the obligation it owes to the country and to posterity. The responsibility that is upon the Grange as an organization is also upon each of us as an individual; so let us

Go in and do the best we can,  
Nor waste your time in sighing;  
The mind't the measure of the man,  
And strength is born of trying.  
And though you meet a sad reverse,  
The world is still your debtor;  
'Tis only that some do things worse  
That some can do them better."

My term of office as Master will end with this session of the State Grange. I desire at this time to express to you my gratitude for the uniform kindness and courtesy you have shown me during my official term. The generous welcome I have everywhere received, and the many new and pleasing associations formed, have more than compensated for the many annoying perplexities of the position.

With my many shortcomings and mistakes you have been considerate, and shown a kindly forbearance.

I especially desire to thank my fellow officers for their loyal co-operation and support. I shall always entertain for each of them the most kindly feeling of friendship. And for my successor I bespeak of you all the same cheering loyalty you have always shown me.

The work of the session is now in your hands. May it be done in a manner to promote the welfare of our country and of mankind.

Respectfully submitted,

E. T. PETTIT,  
Master.



### OVERSEER'S REPORT

To the Worthy Master, Officers and Members of the California State Grange:—

The preparation of the customary short report seems to be quite the most arduous duty required of the Overseer of the State Grange during the interval between the annual sessions.

Such being the case, I hope you will accept these few words together with my presence at my post of duty as sufficient evidence that your Overseer has not been negligent during the past year.

Fraternally submitted,

F. H. STILES.

The Worthy Lecturer read the following report, which was referred to the Committee on Division of Labor:

### LECTURER'S REPORT

To the Officers and Members of the California State Grange:—

The more time and thought your State Lecturer gives to the work committed to him, the more its vital importance grows upon him, until the success and prosperity of the Grange seems to depend upon the faithfulness of its Lecturers, the prosperity of the farmers upon the Grange, and the prosperity of the country upon the farmers.

This is probably the extreme view common to specialists, and yet it would be well if all Subordinate Lecturers so magnified their office. It is not surprising that some who are well qualified, and so best appreciate the responsibility, shrink from assuming the position. And it is gratifying that so many California Lecturers, many of them with little previous training which would help them in their unaccustomed task, are doing such grand work, and developing themselves as well as their Granges.

This is evident, not only from the quarterly reports, for many are better workers than reporters, but from other sources of information. Lecturers are using the public press more and more, and the Grange is becoming more widely and favorably known, and moulding public opinion in regard to those things for which it stands.

At the last meeting of the State Grange it was ordered that a Lecturers' Conference be called early in the year "with a view to establishing uniformity and efficiency" in the Lecture work.

Such a conference was held in San Jose on Saturday, March 25th. It was not attended by any Lecturer outside of Santa Clara County, but as a County Conference it was well attended and successful. Addresses were made by Sister Harriette Pettit, Lecturer of San Jose Grange, on the work of the National Grange, and the Lecturers' Conference which she attended during its last meeting; by Brother H. G. Keesling, Lecturer of Santa Clara County Pomona Grange, on "The Pomona Lecturer;" and a paper was read, written by Brother Chas. F. Collins of Dinuba Grange, on "The Printed Program." Starting from these themes, the discussion took a wide range, and was very interesting and helpful to those present. It was the opinion of the Conference that a Lecturers' Conference should be held during the sessions of the State Grange, and that means should be devised for paying at least part of the expenses of Subordinate Lecturers attending the meeting. The financial phase of the question was afterward brought to the attention of the State Executive Committee, but the condition of the treasury seemed to render it inadvisable to take immediate action.

For the same financial reasons few bulletins have been sent out this year. The cost of printing has more than doubled since your Lecturer began issuing bulletins. If the grangers stood together as staunchly for better prices as the Printers' Union, we would be more prosperous and better able to pay their bills. Strong State Granges issue quarterly papers or pamphlets of many pages, containing helps, suggestions, topics, counsel and articles of interest to Lecturers and Patrons generally. It will probably be some time before we are able to render such elaborate service, but as far as our resources permit, we should be working in that direction.

Your Lecturer had the pleasure of attending a joint Fourth of July picnic and celebration held by the Greenfield and Fort Romie Granges, both new Granges, and was delighted with the attendance and enthusiasm. Grangers are out of doors people, and more open air meetings would seem to be in harmony with the nature of their occupation.

I cannot close my term of office without expressing thanks for the uniform kindness and consideration which have attended my efforts to serve you, under many personal disadvantages.

Fraternally submitted,

F. H. BABB,

Lecturer State Grange.

## TREASURER'S REPORT

## Receipts and Disbursements of the Treasurer

## RECEIPTS

1910		
October 1, Balance in Treasury .....		\$2,094.56
October 26, Cash from Secretary .....	\$ 22.10	
November 10, Cash from Secretary .....	54.00	
1911		
January 1, Interest on Grange Funds .....	33.73	
January 4, Cash from Secretary .....	18.69	
January 12, Cash from Secretary .....	75.00	
January 12, Cash from Secretary .....	161.05	
February 3, Cash from Secretary .....	106.81	
May 12, Cash from Secretary .....	2.34	
May 12, Cash from Secretary .....	300.33	
May 12, Cash from Secretary .....	20.60	
July 1, Interest on Grange Funds .....	35.26	
July 26, Cash from Secretary .....	271.80	
July 26, Cash from Secretary .....	24.00	
August 8, Cash from Secretary .....	40.00	
September 30, Cash from Secretary .....	420.39	\$1,586.10
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		\$3,680.66

## DISBURSEMENTS

1910		
October 3, Warrant No. 212 .....	\$ 9.40	
October 3, Warrant No. 213 .....	6.80	
October 3, Warrant No. 214 .....	18.95	
October 3, Warrant No. 215 .....	29.30	
October 3, Warrant No. 216 .....	40.50	
October 3, Warrant No. 217 .....	14.40	
October 3, Warrant No. 218 .....	103.40	
October 8, Warrant No. 219 .....	4.50	
October 8, Warrant No. 220 .....	37.60	
October 8, Warrant No. 221 .....	5.70	
October 8, Warrant No. 222 .....	5.00	
October 8, Warrant No. 223 .....	22.10	
October 8, Warrant No. 224 .....	10.95	
October 29, Warrant No. 225 .....	33.25	
November 10, Warrant No. 226 .....	119.75	
1911		
January 12, Warrant No. 227 .....	25.80	
January 21, Warrant No. 228 .....	129.00	



January 21, Warrant No. 229 .....	4.50	
January 21, Warrant No. 230 .....	8.00	
January 21, Warrant No. 231 .....	14.40	
January 21, Warrant No. 232 .....	108.35	
February 3, Warrant No. 233 .....	23.13	
May 14, Warrant No. 234 .....	37.05	
May 14, Warrant No. 235 .....	97.43	
May 14, Warrant No. 236 .....	14.00	
May 14, Warrant No. 237 .....	29.70	
May 14, Warrant No. 238 .....	2.70	
May 14, Warrant No. 239 .....	5.00	
May 14, Warrant No. 240 .....	10.50	
May 14, Warrant No. 241 .....	80.35	
May 14, Warrant No. 242 .....	11.00	
May 14, Warrant No. 243 .....	12.60	
May 14, Warrant No. 244 .....	22.90	
July 26, Warrant No. 245 .....	38.80	
July 26, Warrant No. 246 .....	104.30	
July 26, Warrant No. 247 .....	14.00	
July 26, Warrant No. 248 .....	2.70	
July 26, Warrant No. 249 .....	7.00	
July 26, Warrant No. 250 .....	25.45	
July 26, Warrant No. 251 .....	15.80	
July 26, Warrant No. 252 .....	63.75	
July 26, Warrant No. 253 .....	23.42	
August 8, Warrant No. 254 .....	36.00	\$1,429.23
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Total Receipts for the Year .....		\$2,251.43
Disbursements .....		\$3,680.66
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		1,429.23
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Balance in Treasury September 30, 1911.....		\$2,251.43

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH HOLMES.

Treasurer.

The Secretary read the following report and it was referred to the Finance Committee:

### SECRETARY'S REPORT

To the Officers and Members of the California State Grange:—

In submitting my final report as Secretary of the California State Grange, I am very sorry to state that Eden Grange No. 106 felt compelled and did surrender its charter September 22,



1911, but glad to state that Sebastopol Grange No. 306 has been re-organized and Eucalyptus No. 356, Fort Romie No. 358, and Greenfield No. 357 have been organized, and that our finances are in good condition, as the following itemized report will show:

Date 1910	Source	Dues and Fees	Supplies	Total
Oct. 1, Balance in Treasury .....		\$.....	\$.....	\$2,094.56
Oct. 1, Fifth-Sixth Degrs .....		43.00	.....	43.00
Oct. 31, October Receipts .....		34.95	.90	35.85
Dec. 31, December Receipts .....		159.70	2.45	162.15
1911				
Jan. 31, January Receipts .....		169.45	2.20	171.65
Feb. 28, February Receipts .....		5.55	11.60	17.15
March 31, March Receipts .....		191.95	19.25	211.20
April 30, April Receipts .....		121.13	2.10	123.23
May 31, May Receipts .....		39.15	9.00	48.15
June 30, June Receipts .....		27.75	6.56	34.31
July 31, July Receipts .....		287.19	2.40	289.59
Aug. 31, August Receipts .....		34.75	2.05	36.80
Sept. 30, September Receipts .....		311.78	2.25	314.03
		\$1,426.35	\$ 60.76	\$3,581.67

#### RECAPITULATION

In Treasury October 1, 1910 .....	\$2,094.56
Total Receipts for Dues and Fees .....	1,426.35
Total Receipts for Merchandise .....	60.76
Interest on Grange Funds .....	68.99
Extension Funds from National Grange .....	30.00
	\$3,680.66
Expenditures .....	1,429.23

Balance in Treasury October 1, 1911 .....\$2,251.43

EMILY BURNHAM-JACOB,  
Secretary.

#### CERES' REPORT

To the Worthy Master and Members of California State Grange:—

As my term of office as Worthy Ceres expires with this session, I am sincerely sorry that I am not able to be with you. My associations with you have been the most friendly and will

always be remembered with pleasure. I have felt proud of being a member of your band of officers, led by Worthy Master Pettit. To my successor I wish to send friendly greeting, hoping that she may report much progress as the close of her term of office.

May the work of this annual gathering prove most pleasant and profitable, may its closing labor bring hope and strong encouragement to all those who have so nobly worked in the Grange cause.

In faith, hope and charity,

MRS. D. M. WINANS,

Ceres California State Grange.

### POMONA'S REPORT

Worthy Master, Officers and Members of the California State Grange:—

Once again the seasons have rolled around and Pomona has received her reward. The year has been a profitable one to many. While the fruit crop has not been as abundant as usual, prices have been good, and those engaged in commercial orcharding are satisfied with results and feel hopeful for the future.

It is not easy to produce perfect fruit. There are many enemies to combat and obstacles to overcome. The best weapons of warfare must be sought and put into use. The modern methods of spraying trees are necessary helps to successful orcharding. The orchardist, too, should be something of a naturalist in order that he may know how to take advantage of the forces of nature. He should know which birds, for instance, are his friends and which his foes, and take measures to protect his feathered friends from unnecessary slaughter. Ornithologists tell us that if it were not for the birds, it would be impossible for man to raise a crop. Our first thought is that that cannot be true, but when we stop to consider the millions of birds and the numbers of insects and weed seed that each one eats, the statement is not so unbelievable after all. Horticulturalists should also know the different kinds of soils and which fruits are best adapted to each, that he may not waste time and money trying to grow prunes, for instance, where Gravenstein apples ought to be planted, or grapes where some other fruit would do much better.

Thus we see the culture of fruit is a science, its following a profession best promoted by a thorough knowledge of its principles.

I hope that this session of the State Grange may prove a help

and inspiration to all who have the good fortune to attend.  
Fraternally submitted,

MARTHA L. GAMBLE.

### FLORA'S REPORT

To the Worthy Master, Officers and Members of California State Grange:—

It is indeed an extreme pleasure to me to be able to be present at the thirty-ninth annual meeting, and even a greater pleasure to serve as one of your officers. Flora, as you all know, presides over flowers, thus symbolizing the beauties of nature and outdoor life. Nowhere in our great Union does she make more apparent her beauty and grandeur than in our glorious State. Useful, indeed, as well as beneficial, is the lesson taught us as we observe and study the different plants and flowers in their varying progress of growth. In the end we may be rewarded by imitating their perseverance and steadfastness as they advance to maturity. Let us hope that we all may give a thought to this lesson from time to time and thus establish a standard of excellence in our Grange life than can never be surpassed.

Fraternally submitted,

CATHERINE VAN MAREN.

The Worthy Secretary read a letter from the Worthy Organist regretting that she could not attend the present session of the State Grange.

The report of the Executive Committee, which consisted of the minutes of all the meetings held during the year, was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

### REPORTS OF SUBORDINATE GRANGES

#### AMERICAN RIVER

Worthy Master, Officers and Members of California State Grange,  
Greeting:—

Your delegate from American River Grange is pleased to report a fairly satisfactory condition during the past year, and while we have not made as much progress in point of new membership as in some other years we have held our own, and feel well satisfied with the prospects for the coming year. Our community has experienced a prosperous season. Progress is the watchword. American River Grange will share in the advancement that is sure to follow.



The following is the synopsis of the work of our Grange:

At the close of last year we had 92 member, and at present our membership is 81. We lost one member by death and eleven for non-payment of dues, and gained one by initiation. Fourteen meetings were held during the year. In the spring American River Grange received a visit from Sacramento County Pomona Grange.

Fraternally submitted,

MRS. N. H. LAURIDSON,  
Master's Wife.

#### ANTELOPE

Worthy Master, Officers and Members of the California State Grange:—

It is with much regret that I forego the pleasure of meeting with you this year, but I am pleased to say I think Antelope Grange will be ably represented by Brother Van Maren and wife.

Antelope Grange has had a pleasant and profitable year and one thing that is very gratifying is that the attendance at most meetings has been very good. We held our annual picnic on the 13th of May and it was a decided success both socially and financially, netting \$102. The eucalyptus trees on the Grange tract have made a fine growth during the past season and give promise of making a fine grove. The Grange purchased a piano this year and still has a substantial sum in the treasury.

Our Worthy State Master paid us an unexpected visit when we were giving the third and fourth degrees and having a harvest feast, and we were much pleased to have him visit us on such an occasion.

Through the efforts of the members a branch of the Sacramento Free Library has been established in the Grange hall in charge of our Worthy Lecturer. The privilege of having such up-to-date reading matter is greatly appreciated by every one in our community.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. PHILLIP VAN MAREN,  
Master.

#### BENNETT VALLEY

Worthy Master, Officers and Members of California State Grange in Annual Session Assembled:—

Bennett Valley Grange No. 16 extends the annual greeting,

and begs to submit the following as a record of the events and doings of the past year.

Our Grange is officered by young members who are energetic in their endeavors to keep the work up to a high degree of efficiency.

One special and twenty-three regular meetings have been held that have been well attended.

During the year we have gained twenty-one members—nineteen by initiation, and by obligation, two. The past year we have lost by non-payment of dues, none; by withdrawal, one; by death, one.

We own our hall, piano, dining room, with all the necessary conveniences, and have adequate horse sheds for teams during inclement weather. During the past year we have put a No. 1 new roof on the hall. Our property belongings are valued at \$2,000.

We have in the treasury \$36, with no outstanding obligations. This low ebb of finances is due to the fact that we have just paid for a new roof, and have just taken a five years' insurance policy on the Grange property.

Our Grange meets the first and third Saturday evenings in each month. The meetings are characterized by a lively interest in Grange work.

The 4th of December, the 22nd of February, the 27th of May, the 4th of July and the 23rd of September were dates on which public meetings were held under the auspices of the Grange.

A report of the past year's record would be incomplete without some reference to the death of Brother G. N. Whitaker, who was one of the charter members, and who was always an active and conscientious worker for the building up of the order, and was a conspicuous and prominent member, and his passing was a notable loss to Bennett Valley Grange.

In reviewing and reporting on the past year's work we deplore the withdrawal of the circulating of the State Library, as the books that were sent out were proving quite an educational and interesting feature in our work, and we believe the legislature made a grave mistake in withholding the appropriation for the maintenance of the system of free distribution.

In submitting this report we indulge the hope that this session may be one of unusual benefit to the order in this State.

Read by

STANLEY STETSON,

Alternate.

## CAPITAL

Worthy Master, Officers and Members of the California State Grange, P. of H.:—

Capital Grange No. 305 meets the first and third Saturdays (afternoons and evenings alternating) of each month in Red Men's Hall, in what was formerly Oak Park, but which is now a part of Greater Sacramento.

Our Secretary reports a membership of 65 Patrons. Our reports to the State Grange are duly and promptly made and our finances are in good condition. During the year we have received fraternal visits from the Worthy Treasurer of the State Grange, the Worthy Master and members of Sacramento Grange. The Worthy Master of the State Grange paid us an official visit during the year, at which time the third and fourth degrees were conferred, and it gave us much pleasure to have our degree team highly complimented for their work by the head of our order. We congratulate ourselves upon having many talented members and under the guidance of our efficient Lecturer our literary, musical and social programs do us much credit and have brought to our Grange merited praise. Our social meetings are not confined to our members, but we bring in the juvenile members of our families and encourage them to take part in our entertainments, thus sowing the Grange seed among those who are to become future members. During the month of July and August it has been our custom since our organization to take our regular annual summer vacation, and we find this works to our advantage.

We have never attempted any business co-operative work, but have confined our efforts along social, educational and fraternal lines. All of which is fraternally submitted.

W. W. GREER,  
Master.

## DANVILLE

To the Worthy Master, Officers and Members of the California State Grange:—

During the past year our Grange has received eleven new members and has reinstated one. Two have been removed through death. The present membership is 88.

Two hundred and seventy-five dollars have been expended in repairs on the hall during the past year, the hall being the property of the Grange.



The thirty-seventh anniversary of the Grange was celebrated October 1st, 1910, by holding a rally sale, at which fruit, jellies, cakes, nuts and vegetables were offered for sale. Some of the charter members were present and spoke. The Grange has met regularly twice each month and its meetings have been regularly attended.

Respectfully submitted,  
CHAS. F. WOODWARD,  
Alternate.

#### DINUBA

To the Officers and Members of the California State Grange:—

Dinuba Grange has not grown very much during the last year, but we are in a prosperous condition. Have held twenty-three meetings during the year, all of which have been well attended except during the summer, which is a very busy season with the fruit grower. Our meetings are generally instructive and interesting. Our Lecturer occasionally has open meetings and invites the public to attend as he did at our last meeting, when the amendments, which are to be voted on this month, were discussed.

We have lost several members during the year and have taken in several. We have a membership of 79—two more than a year ago, of which 39 are sisters and 40 are brothers.

Fraternally yours,  
H. W. RUSSELL,  
Master.

#### ELK GROVE

To the Officers and Members of the California State Grange:—

Another year has passed, bringing both joy and sorrow to our Grange—joy in the advancement of our order and sorrow in the parting with those members who have given up their earthly careers.

Elk Grove Grange No. 82 has held during 1911 sixteen meetings; number of members at present time, 59; number of members dropped for non-payment of dues, 4. We have given the degrees to twelve members and two have joined by card. Sister Caroline Siebeck was called from our midst last October. She was a kind and loving sister, ever ready to do whatever she could for our order, and was a kind and loving mother. Elk Grove Grange conducted the burial service at the grave and deeply feels its loss.

We have discussed various subjects, but have especially discussed the subject of good roads. Elk Grove Grange meets on the first and third Saturdays of each month. Worthy Master Pettit visited us in June. Elk Grove Grange, like all Granges of the State, is ever ready and pleased to entertain the Master of the State Grange or to have any brothers or sisters of any of the Granges make it a visit.

Fraternally submitted,

JOSEPH JACKSON,

Master.

### GEYSERVILLE

To the Worthy Master, Officers and Members of the State Grange:—

Geyserville Grange has had a prosperous year, gaining in membership eleven by initiation, having now 40 members in good standing. Its finances are sufficient to meet the wants of the Grange. The meetings of the Grange have been regular and well attended, with the exception of August and September, these two months requiring the time of the members to harvest the fruit crop, which was exceptionally large.

We had Brother Whitehead for a public address soon after the meeting of the last State Grange. The meeting was well attended and his talk made a good impression, and undoubtedly had much to do in creating a new interest in our Grange.

During the year the Grange gave a reception to invited guests, at which time refreshments were served and a short program rendered. The remainder of the evening was spent in a social way. Several outdoor meetings were held, the most prominent of these was Flora Day, which was celebrated at the home of Worthy Past Master of the State Grange W. V. Griffith. The day is an annual feature with our Grange and is looked forward to with much interest. Invitations are sent to all Subordinate Granges in the county, and especially to Pomona Grange. These invitations are accepted by many of the members, and when the day arrives we have an enthusiastic meeting that does much good in promoting that fraternal feeling that makes us one great brotherhood. This day, under the guidance and protecting hand of Brother Griffith, was a success in every way. The Floras of all the Subordinate Granges were crowned—essays and poems and songs and Grange banquet made the day all too short. A social was given at the home of the Master in the evening and thus closed a day that we believe does much good in strengthening the social feature of our noble order.

The Grange is using its influence and its best efforts to promote and protect public enterprises that are of benefit to farmers and opposing those things that we believe to be antagonistic to our interests.

Respectfully submitted,

J. E. METZGER,  
Master.

#### GOLD HILL

To the Officers and Members of the California State Grange:—

Gold Hill Grange No. 326 has a total of 39 members. Demitted past year, three; suspended for non-payment of dues, seven. \$14 in the treasury.

HERBERT FOWLER,  
Master.

#### LINCOLN

To the State Grange, P. of H., of California, Worthy Patrons Assembled:—

It is with regret that I cannot be with you on this occasion, but I assure you that the time of meeting is a week too early for a representative attendance from this section.

Lincoln Grange is in a good, thriving condition. Since the last State Grange we have built a substantial addition to our hall. Our value in the community has been recognized by many kind donations of money to assist in this undertaking from many not members as well as time and money from loyal Patrons both within and out of our individual Grange.

Respectfully submitted,

L. R. CODY,  
Master.

#### MOUNTAIN VIEW

To the Officers and Members of the California State Grange, P. of H., Greeting:—

Mountain View Grange No. 332 sends best wishes for a pleasant and profitable session.

We are pleased to report our Grange in a healthy condition, having increased its membership from 57 in 1910 to 69 at the present date.

The attendance has also been very satisfactory, and the problems and events of interest to grangers discussed and acted upon.



The Grange has at all times during the year enjoyed the greatest harmony.

A class of five will be initiated in the third and fourth degrees at the second meeting in this month, October.

Respectfully submitted,

M. FARRELL,

Master

#### NAPA

A year ago when I submitted the report for Napa Grange I said I was pleased to note the fact that our Grange was stronger than it was a year ago. As I submit the report for the same Grange this year I am pleased to reiterate that statement and say the same thing over, i. e., that Napa Grange is stronger today than it was a year ago, and when I make this statement I do not mean that we have increased to any extent numerically, but that we have more of the true fraternal Grange spirit and fellowship than was in evidence last year. Indeed I am glad to announce the fact that some of our members are possessed of real genuine enthusiasm in Grange work, and I only wish that I could make this statement in regard to more of our members. I am convinced more and more, as time goes on, that unless a real enthusiasm for the work can be awakened in the membership of a Grange, that Grange will not accomplish the aims and objects that a good live Grange should always strive to attain. One of the first questions then that a Grange should submit to itself for solution is how can we awaken this enthusiasm which is so essential to the success of our Grange?

While Napa Grange has not as yet succeeded in awakening this enthusiasm to a sufficient degree to warrant it in preaching to others how it should be done, it has tried and tried earnestly and I can safely say that we are nearer the solution of the problem than we were a year ago and that we are still striving earnestly along that line.

We have made special efforts to have something doing in our Grange all the time and have many pleasant and profitable discussions on good live topics that we considered of special interest to grangers. Some of these discussions were held in our regular meetings and some of them in open meetings, of which we have had several during the year.

The reports of these discussions and open meetings, together with any other items that might be of interest to the public, in our local papers, have had a tendency to give us, as a Grange, an excellent reputation. It is an indisputable fact that Napa

Grange today enjoys the reputation of being a very influential organization. Indeed, our reputation is such that sometimes we feel that we must do more and better work in order to live up to it. One of the most successful features that we have tried by way of advertising or boosting for the Grange during the past year was the creation of a float for the Fourth of July celebration. In a report of this kind any description of this float, or indeed of any particular feature of Grange work, must necessarily be passed over very briefly. I would, however, pause just long enough to say that this float referred to was designed to represent the three Graces in their true light. Three beautiful young ladies, representing Ceres, Pomona and Flora, were appropriately robed and seated on the float. Each of the offices was decorated with proper embellishments of grain, fruit and flowers, and the whole very artistically done in Grange colors. Without dwelling further on this subject, I will only add that a great deal of interest was manifested among our members in the creation of this float, and that I consider it the best piece of advertising done by the Grange during the year. When I say that only one of the many orders that were represented by floats in the parade referred to took a prize over that of the Grange, and that that one was the Native Daughters, it will readily be seen that we succeeded very well, especially so when we consider the fact that we took the second prize in the best Fourth of July parade that Napa ever had. A photograph and further description of the float can be had by any granger who might care for it.

Another feature of Grange work that has become an annual event with Napa Grange is our Grange picnic. This year, as usual, the picnic was held and was in every way a decided success and fully up to the high standard these picnics have attained.

At the present time we have a committee, every member of which is a live wire in the Grange work, at work with the trustees of our local High School with a view of introducing a course of agriculture in the school. We have every reason to believe that this committee will be successful and that before this annual convention of grangers comes together next year Napa High School will have a course of agriculture added to its curriculum. I would very respectfully recommend a similar action to this to all our Subordinate Granges that have not already taken up the subject, for we all know that the more educated or scientific farmers we have the better will be the condition of the farming community in general.

Another feature of our Grange work which has also grown to

be an annual event with us is the Farmers' Institute. This year we have an excellent program arranged for a three-day session, which will be held on October 12th, 13th, and 14th. Our committee that has this matter in charge is doing excellent work and is striving to excel all our previous efforts along that line. If satisfactory arrangements can be made it is the intention of our Grange to have a prominent granger from the ranks of this State Grange to be present with us at this year's institute and do some lecturing and boosting for our local Grange.

In concluding this report, I would say again that while Napa Grange is not much stronger numerically than last year, there is no gainsaying the fact that it is stronger in Grange spirit and fraternal fellowship. Not every Grange can say with Napa Grange that it has not missed a single meeting for two years.

Fraternally submitted,

F. L. HUNT,  
Master.

#### OAKLAND

Worthy Master, Sisters and Brothers of California State Grange:—

Again we meet and greet each other in fraternal love to derive help and inspiration from looking into each other's faces and hearing of the gains and losses, the joys and crosses of our various Granges. In Oakland Grange we have had, we believe, a year of helpful work. Every meeting has been well attended and full of interest. We have made some changes during the year. Whereas we formerly held two meetings a month, on the first and third Saturdays, we now hold but one, that of the first Saturday, meeting at six o'clock in the evening, and having a family dinner gathering with social time from six to eight o'clock, when the Grange is called to order for business. This change we find has been beneficial to the Grange, the members enjoying the dinner and social hour together very much. We always have a good program prepared beforehand by the Lecturer taking up the live issues of the day for discussion. We have also made a change in the amount of dues charged, having lowered the amount from 25 cents to 15 cents, as we felt we could afford to do. We now number 35 members—have taken in 13 during the year.

The Grange Reading Club, which was organized ten years ago as a help to our Grange, has proven to be a great benefit to our sisters. It now numbers 18 and the days of meeting are looked upon by the members as veritable red letter days because of the help and enjoyment derived from them.



During the year two of our members have passed to the Grange above to take higher degrees in fraternalism—Brother Cross, for many years a most faithful granger, and Sister May Peters, one of our new members. We miss their presence, but they have left a blessed memory.

We look forward to the coming year with hopefulness, and as a Grange desire "to look up, not down, to look out, not in, to look forward and not back, and lend a hand."

Respectfully submitted,

A. R. DOW,  
Master.

### ORANGEVALE

To the Worthy Master, Officers and Members of State Grange:—

Orangevale Grange No. 354 sends greetings. We are pleased to report since the last meeting of the State Grange at Napa an increased interest in our meetings and a substantial gain in membership. Our meetings are held on the second and fourth Saturdays of each month, in the evening during the summer and in the afternoon during the winter months.

In our last report we had a membership of 33. During the year we have initiated 21 brothers and 26 sisters, 47 in all. We have lost by withdrawal, 5; by death, 1. Brother Lee Owen, one of our charter members, was called by the Great Master to the Sovereign Grand Grange above on May 19th. He was buried under the auspices of the Grange and we were the recipients of many complimentary remarks as to the impressive beauty of the Grange ritualistic burial service.

Our present membership is 74, and we have six candidates to be initiated. Sacramento Grange exemplified the first and second degrees to a class of six; the American River Grange gave the third and fourth degrees to the same class. Later Antelope Grange gave the third and fourth degrees to a class of seven. Through the kindness of these sister Granges we were given a very clear insight into the degree work, for which we are very grateful to them.

Our meetings are well attended, for which much credit is due our Worthy Lecturer, L. Bonner Flinn, who has made the lecture hour one of the attractive features of our meetings. All of our officers have been very regular in attendance, performing their duties promptly and well, thereby giving an inspiration to the lay members to look well to their duties.

We have given several musical and literary programs, some of which have been given at open meetings, thereby attracting

the eyes of the public. We are fast becoming the intellectual and social center of our community. Our membership is composed of the very best people of our colony. We have discussed most of the live issues of the day. The Grange is filling a long felt want in our community by uniting the energies of all for the good of the whole.

Fraternally submitted,

J. L. PATTERSON,  
Master.

#### ORCHARD CITY

Worthy Master, Officers and Members of the California State Grange:—

Orchard City Grange is in a prosperous condition, socially, financially, and in the exercise of true Grange spirit and fellowship. We now have a membership of 122, which is nine better than last year. Our treasury is in good order, aside from a building fund of about \$150, which has accumulated in the past two years from the proceeds of several entertainments.

We have not failed to have a regular meeting on the second and fourth Tuesday evenings of each month the past year, and in addition have held a number of social meetings on the alternate Tuesday evenings at the homes of some of our members.

As Master I have endeavored to conform to the Grange rules and regulations and believe that more and better business can be accomplished by so doing and a more harmonious meeting be had, and the members have been very helpful in thus promoting the good of the order. I believe that every meeting that we have held during the past year, both regular and social, have been interesting and beneficial to all who have attended. All our officers have been faithful in the discharge of their duties. Particularly is this true of the members of the drill team, who have done excellent work in conferring the degrees, and our Worthy Lecturer has done much to make the lecture hour interesting and instructive.

We have had so many good meetings that there is not room here to mention them all. Worthy Master, State Grange, E. T. Pettit has by his presence and good advice helped along our Grange work. We entertained Pomona Grange May 9th; had an all day meeting and banquet with large attendance. On July 4th a safe and sane celebration of our National Independence was held under the elms and oaks at "Five Oaks," near Edenvale. Patriotic songs were sung, speeches made, and incidentally, the 36th wedding anniversary of our Worthy Lecturer and Sister

Newcomb was made a part of the program.

We have done little in a business way. However, on two occasions some of the members have saved money in the purchase of barley and hay in large quantities.

Orchard City Grange has taken the lead in the advocacy of tree and flower planting on our public highways, and with the co-operation of the Out Door Art League, Chamber of Commerce and other organizations have already made a good start in that direction.

The billboard and fence advertising nuisances have had our attention for two years past, and the work of cleaning up our county in this respect is gaining headway. The law passed by the last legislature making it a misdemeanor to paint signs or post bills on fences or other private property in connection with our county law, which prohibits the same kind of desecration of county property, has made our work much easier, and by 1915 we hope to see our public highways free and clean of advertising matter.

In conclusion, we believe that the teachings contained in our Grange ritual, if properly understood and practiced by our members, would be a greater moving power for the upliftment and happiness of farmers and country people in general than any other agency. Material prosperity is desirable, but to inculcate a higher and better manhood and womanhood among ourselves is of much more importance than material gain. We have tried to work along those lines, believing that the permanent growth of the order depends upon the betterment of the character of each individual member.

HORACE G. KEESLING,

Master.

#### PETALUMA

Worthy Master, Officers and Members of the California State Grange:—

Petaluma Grange meets semi-monthly, on the second and fourth Saturdays of each month. Our present membership is 77—38 brothers and 39 sisters.

On May 13th our Grange enjoyed a visit from the State Master.

We have endorsed the resolution introduced by Brother T. G. King relative to the establishing of a free library for Sonoma County; also a resolution from Progressive Grange of Healdsburg relating to the constructing of a system of state highways, etc.; also a resolution by Sonoma County Pomona Grange relative to article 4 of the by-laws of the California State Grange.



We have a good attendance of officers and a fair attendance of members. Our Worthy Lecturer has brought forward many good and interesting questions for discussion. Our financial condition is good, and genial and kindly feelings exist among our members.

In conclusion, I hope that the California State Grange may be productive of great good and that we may all carry home new enthusiasm and firmer resolves to do more earnest work during the coming year.

Respectfully submitted,

J. L. GOATLEY,

Master.

#### POTTER VALLEY

To the Officers and Members of the California State Grange:—

During the past year Potter Valley Grange has had fifteen regular meetings.

At present there are 8 sisters and 14 brothers. No new members have been initiated. Lost one by death and three were suspended for non-payment of dues.

Cash on hand, \$140.00.

Hoping that you will have a pleasant and profitable meeting, I am,

Yours fraternally,

WILLIAM EDDIE,

Master.

#### PROGRESSIVE

Worthy Master, Officers and Members of the California State Grange:—

Progressive Grange has held twenty-two regular meetings with interest and attendance good save during the busy harvest season.

The financial condition is good, and there has been a slight gain in membership.

The ladies degree team is doing good work and has accepted invitations and initiated candidates for the neighboring Granges.

Several important resolutions have been adopted and the Grange has always worked for measures which it believed to be beneficial to the public.

Fraternally submitted,

A. E. BURNHAM,

Master.

## SACRAMENTO

To the Worthy Master, Officers and Members of the California State Grange. Brothers and Sisters:—

I hereby submit my report for Sacramento Grange No. 12 for the year 1911.

Our membership on January 1st was as follows: Brothers, 41; sisters, 68; total, 109. Initiated during the term, 1 brother and 1 sister; total, 2. Leaving a total of 111.

We lost by suspension, demit and death, 2 brothers and 3 sisters, leaving a present membership of 106.

During the past year our Grange has missed but three meetings, and these were given up in the interest of other Grange meetings, namely: On January 14th the installation of officers of the several Granges by Pomona Grange; on April 8th a visit to American River Grange No. 172, and on August 28th on account of the State Fair (the Sacramento County exhibit being under the auspices of Pomona Grange No. 2.)

The meetings during the warm summer months were well attended. This was due without a doubt to the untiring efforts of our Worthy Lecturer, who always had something of interest in store for those in attendance. We would suggest to Sister Granges to pay special attention to the election of live Lecturers, and there will be fewer dull meetings in our Granges.

We have a class ready for initiation this month, and are looking forward to a prosperous term. We can assure the State Grange that as far as Sacramento No. 12 is concerned, the fire at our shrine will be kept burning brightly.

Fraternally yours,

HARRY A. NAUMAN,

## SACRAMENTO COUNTY POMONA

Officers and Members of the California Stage Grange, Greeting:—

In submitting the annual report of the Sacramento County Pomona Grange I am pleased to report our Grange in a prosperous condition, both financially and in membership. On the first Saturday in May, the Annual Grangers' Picnic was held at Elk Grove Park. About 5,000 people were in attendance. The picnic was considered a great success socially, and was quite successful financially. The Sacramento County Pomona Grange again controlled the Sacramento County exhibit at the last State Fair. The board of supervisors of our county appropriated the sum of \$1,000 to defray expenses.

Among other important questions of a public nature handled by our Grange was the good roads movement now in progress in our county. On Thursday, May 4th, a mass meeting was held under the auspices of the Grange, which was well attended and which resulted in the appointment of a committee to tour the county and inspect the roads. A general committee was then appointed, which held several meetings, and finally appointed an executive committee. The executive committee is now at work on the question of improving our roads, and in the next year or two Sacramento County will undoubtedly be in the lead in this State for good roads. During the session of the last State legislature, the Pomona Grange discussed all bills relating to farmers and taxpayers, and passed several effective resolutions.

The Pomona Grange has held all its regular meetings, and one special meeting with the American River Grange.

In conclusion, the Sacramento County Pomona Grange has held its own in membership during the last year, and has made some gain financially. Our Grange has assumed a progressive spirit, and I feel that we are stronger in a public way than ever before. We intend to continue in the good work, and use every reasonable effort to build up the Grange in Sacramento County.

Fraternally submitted,

GEO. SEHLMAYER,

Master.

#### SAN JOSE

San Jose Grange has added slightly to its membership during the past year, and has now 108 members, having gained 9 by initiation and 2 by card, and lost 1 by death. The finances are in a healthy condition, and the meetings have been well attended and regularly held every Saturday morning. Santa Clara County Pomona was entertained at an all day meeting, at which we heard Brother Mortimer Whitehead.

Many members of the Grange are, to a considerable extent, specialists along various lines, and are called upon to give the results of their investigations from time to time. Reports of the condition and prospects of the fruit crops are regularly given and growers in consequence advised to hold for certain prices. Reports of the meetings are always published in the daily press, and are a useful guide to the orchardists and maintain the commanding position of the Grange.

A few days ago we were called upon to mourn the death of Past Master Robert Summers, for several years the faithful and



able chairman of our Legislative Committee. He rests from his labors, but his work will follow him.

F. H. BABB,  
Master.

#### SANTA CLARA COUNTY POMONA

Worthy Master, Brothers and Sisters of State Grange:—

As a representative from Santa Clara County Pomona Grange No. 4 I will try to make a brief report of our doings the past year.

On January 6th we met with San Jose Grange and had a joint installation of officers and a harvest feast. Our State Master installed the officers, and we had a visit from the Executive Committee of the State Grange. The meeting was a good and profitable one to us all.

On March 11th we met in San Jose for a business meeting. Good roads were discussed and papers read on good roads; it was recommended that the Committee on Roads watch the experiments the supervisors were making in various parts of the County and to report at some future meeting.

May 9th we met with Orchard City Grange in an all day meeting. Five candidates were initiated and good roads, high cost of living and co-operative laundry were talked of. Resolutions were passed to work in harmony with the Out Door Art League for the cleaning up and beautifying of San Jose and the country round about. A pleasing literary and musical program furnished by Orchard City Grange was enjoyed. Dr. Oliver, of San Jose Grange, addressed the Grange on the effects of alcohol and narcotics on parents and children. The Worthy Lecturer had sent an invitation to all the Granges in the county to select a flower and wear it at Grange meetings, so they came decorated with the flower of their Grange. Orchard City Grange had arranged the tables at the harvest feast and decorated each one with the flowers of the different Granges and the Pomona table was decorated with all the flowers combined.

We received an invitation from the Farmers' Union to join them in their annual picnic in June. We all went and had a good time.

July 1st we met with Lincoln Grange. Reciprocity was discussed. The Corporation Committee gave suggestions on drainage for Santa Clara County. Japanese immigration was also discussed. Liquor and tobacco advertising through the mails was condemned. Addresses by government officers asking co-operation of members of the Grange in exterminating squirrels were given

and good roads discussions were again continued. Musical and literary programs followed the harvest feast.

We had quite a shaky time after the harvest feast—a small earthquake came along and shook us up a little, but we had had our dinner so we came out all right.

September 9th we met in San Jose and discussed several questions which were of interest to the Grange and one that the Worthy Lecturer was the most interested in was putting a stop to painting and posting signs on fences, trees and poles on the public highways.

Brother and Sister L. J. Church were elected as alternates to the State Grange.

In our last year's report we had 124 members and now we have 130, 68 brothers and 62 sisters.

The Grange instructed its delegates to vote to change the time of the meeting of the State Grange from the first Tuesday until the third Tuesday in October.

There never was a time when the farmers of Santa Clara County were educating themselves and demanding a rightful price for their products as now. The Farmers' Union has been a great factor in bringing this about. All along the line the farmers are trying to co-operate and better their condition.

We have lost one member the past year, Brother Robert Summers, who died September 21st. It was said of Robert Summers, "He always had the courage of his convictions and stood steadfast for Christianity and the right, no matter what the cost to himself." He will be long remembered as a true friend, a kind and loving husband and father. At the time of his death he was a Past Master of San Jose Grange and a member of Santa Clara County Pomona Grange. He was a staunch advocate of temperance and never hesitated in giving his time and money to that cause, and he was of a perfectly fair and judicial mind, and his opinion was always final and satisfactory in arbitration. Utterly unselfish as he was and not a seeker for notoriety, his earnest and fearless efforts in the cause of Prohibition will never be forgotten by the parents of the community.

He is gone and it can be written at the head of his last resting place, "No one could say ought against him." It is a noble life to live; let us try and live among each other in such a way that when we too have gone to join the great majority it can be written of us that no one could say ought against us.

Fraternally submitted,

E. F. GREENWOOD,

Master.



## SANTA ROSA

To the Officers and Members of the California State Grange:—

Santa Rosa Grange again greets you with the same hearty and fraternal greeting that it has always had for you. We are still alive and active and have faith in the growth of the Grange in this State, and hope that the principles of the Grange will be more and more disseminated in the future, and that the Grange will become more and more the standard around which will rally those who are seeking for honesty, uprightness and integrity. We have been active during the past year in trying, in our small way, to help to solve some of the great problems that have come up before the Nation, our State and our county, and hope that our efforts have helped in some small degree.

We have taken a charitable view of those who have opposed us in any respect, and are willing to do anything in our power to uplift the erring. We have taken an active part in trying to bring about local matters that would be of benefit to our people and in some cases have succeeded. And last but not least we are faithful to our principles and the teachings of the Grange, and to our brothers and sisters.

Respectfully submitted,

H. N. N. LATIMER,

Master.

## SEBASTOPOL

Worthy Master, Sisters and Brothers of this State Grange:—

Sebastopol Grange No. 306 was reorganized six months ago with a charter membership of 30. Brother Peter Hanson had charge of the meeting and the officers were elected and installed at this time. We have gained 15 new members during our short existence, several more have taken the first and second degrees, and more names are to be voted on at our next meeting. Our meeting dates are second and fourth Saturdays of each month, first meeting in month being held at 2 p. m. and second at 8 p. m.

We have had several prominent members with us—Master of the State Grange Pettit, Past Master Griffith and wife, Brother Church and wife of Two Rock—all lending assistance and giving good and kind advice. We have also had Healdsburg degree team visit us and initiate a class. After the initiation we served a bountiful harvest feast.

Characteristic of our Grange we hope to double our membership during the next year. Our Grange placed a feature exhibit at the Gravenstein Apple Show held at this place and received



\$24 in cash prizes and also five diplomas.

Sebastopol Grange instructed its delegate to invite the State Grange to assemble at Sebastopol at its next annual session in 1912. A cordial welcome is extended at all times to members of the order to meet with us when possible.

Fraternally submitted,

G. W. COVERT,  
Master.

### SONOMA COUNTY POMONA

Worthy Master, Officers and Members of California State Grange:—

It gives me great pleasure to be able to come before you and report that Sonoma County Pomona Grange is in a healthy condition.

Have held our regular quarterly meetings at Santa Rosa, consisting of two day and an evening session, and have held five invitational meetings with as many Subordinate Granges, thus coming in contact with Patrons from all sections of the county who are not Pomona members.

There are nine Subordinate Granges in the county, a gain of two for the year—Sebastopol Grange, reorganized, and Eucalyptus, a new Grange—with a membership of about 475 for the county.

The quarterly meetings have been very interesting and instructive, twenty-six members being assigned subject by the program committee, and only one person has failed absolutely to respond; two have been excused on account of sickness, and one was unavoidably absent, but all their places were very creditably filled by members on short notice, so no part of our program has been admitted. The papers prepared are discussed and many important facts brought out.

Have adopted numerous resolutions that have had their weight in county affairs; also did all we could against reciprocity with all other grangers only to meet defeat in our own country but not in the other.

We have had our standing committee on 1915 exposition for one and a half years, and now ask the Subordinate Granges of the county to add one member each to it, and are fully determined to make an exhibit worthy of our Grange and of our splendid county.

That inevitable factor has invaded our ranks and taken two of our dear sisters and that tried and true worker and brother, C. N. Whittaker.

While our work has been largely educational this year, we feel that our efforts have not been in vain and that the future holds a brighter Grange outlook.

Our present enrollment is 51 brothers and 46 sisters.

Respectfully submitted,

W. CHURCH,  
Master.

#### SOQUEL GRANGE

Soquel Grange made a verbal report.

#### SUNNYVALE

Worthy Master, Officers and Members of the California State Grange:—

Sunnyvale Grange was organized nearly nine years ago and this is my eighth year as Master. During the nine years I have never missed a meeting, attending many times when nearly sick, but would come home feeling much better than when I went away. We have, at the present time, 79 members, and they are certainly the best people we have, always willing to assist the Master in trying to make the Grange what it should be.

Now the fruit season is nearly over, we have the promise of many new members, and I predict that next year the Master will report over 100.

One great benefit to our Grange was the two visits made by our Worthy Master of the State Grange, E. T. Pettit, as the talks he gave the members seemed to be very beneficial.

Fraternally submitted,

J. F. SPALDING,  
Master.

#### TULARE

Worthy Master, Officers and Members of the State Grange of California, Greeting:—

Tulare Grange No. 198, P. of H., submits the following report: We have gained no new members but have lost several by removal and non-payment of dues.

During the past year we have held nineteen regular meetings, the annual picnic being held on our regular meeting day and Tulare County Pomona Grange on another of our meeting days.

While we have lost some of our members, we still have a faithful few who are earnest, ready and constant workers, and

Tulare Grange is doing good work. The social hour at the well spread lunch table is a pleasant feature in our Grange.

Children's Day was fittingly observed with an interesting program and a very large attendance. On May 20th a joint picnic of the Granges of the county was held in the beautiful County Park (consisting of natural oak trees) northeast of Tulare City. The annual picnic is a regular feature of our Grange, to which old and young look forward with a great deal of pleasure.

Our Grange is in a good financial condition.

Hoping that this session of the State Grange will be of interest and benefit to its members and patrons throughout the State, I am,

Fraternally,

LIZZIE Y. WOODS,  
Master.

#### TULARE COUNTY POMONA

Worthy Master, Officers and Members of the California State Grange, Sisters and Brothers:—

It is with great pleasure indeed that Tulare County welcomes the California State Grange. We deem it a great honor to bring you greetings from the Patrons, to be able to meet with you in annual session, and to report the condition of the order in this "fair valley of the vine and fig tree." We regret to report that old Reaper Death has entered the field and has taken two of our worthy brothers. It is to be hoped we can profit by their past influence for good, as they were both truly loyal and devoted to the order.

Grange growth in this county has not been phenomenal, however, we have held our own, and have gained some encouragement from the increase of interest among both new and old members. The farmers have been organized so many times for worthy and legitimate purposes, and have failed to accomplish much that is satisfactory, they have become well-nigh discouraged, but we still persevere, confident if we all do our best the future will show happy results.

The object of the Grange should be to better the condition of the farmer, not only socially, but financially, physically, morally and mentally.

The press of the county has been friendly, and has always been ready to assist us in our efforts for progress.

The business organizations of the county have frequently very cordially invited us to take part in their deliberations, and our relations with them are most friendly. I believe we should make more of an effort to cultivate an acquaintance with trade



and labor unions, and other organized bodies of farmers and laboring men and women, to the end that more sane methods be established for the interchange of the products of the soil and factory, and for the enactment of laws beneficial to those who produce all wealth. There are indications of unrest and signs of dissatisfaction among our members at the slow growth of the order in the State. Many are exhibiting a spirit of progress. Can we not double our membership during the coming year?

Through the efforts of the Grange the supervisors were induced to purchase 100 acres of Mammoth Oak forest for a county park, and last summer a Grange picnic and dedication program was planned and enjoyed by all present.

Tulare County Pomona Grange now has seventy (70) members, hold four regular sessions per year and an occasional special.

In conclusion, we again greet you and tender you the freedom of the county. May your stay be pleasant and profitable and when we separate and mingle with the world, let everybody push and the knockers take a back seat.

Fraternally,

W. A. BATES.

## TWO ROCK

To the Officers and Members of the California State Grange:—

I beg leave to submit the following report for Two Rock Grange No. 152, P. of H.:

Our Grange has not increased in membership since our last State Grange meeting, yet I am glad to report that we are in good working condition. We have gained two by initiation and two by demit; lost four by demit and three by suspension, leaving a total of 65 members in good standing. We are in good financial condition, own our hall and grounds without any indebtedness. We have a wideawake Lecturer in our Grange who gets out a printed program for the year's work, to which the members have responded satisfactorily. We have taken up much community work, such as road improvement, with very good effect. Have a petition before the people at the present time asking them to bond our road district to get proper means for building roads.

Sonoma County Pomona Grange met with us in August and the meeting was very interesting, instructive and beneficial. We expect to take in a class of new members in the near future, as there are several who have signified their willingness to become Patrons of Husbandry. I hope much benefit will be derived

from the present session of the State Grange.

Fraternally submitted,

S. L. STICE,  
Alternate.

### VISALIA

To the Officers and Members of the California State Grange,  
Greeting:—

Visalia Grange No. 353 has 43 members in good standing. Her books are clean, and though we have not progressed as we would have liked to, yet to those who know the circumstances we feel satisfied that we are not in a worse condition. As Master I can say that we have some of the most true and loyal members that it has been my lot to meet. We have been favored with the meeting of the Pomona Grange of Tulare County and of the State Grange, of which each is a part, for which we feel grateful and we hope that all who have or will be present will gain great and lasting good and that the Grange through State and Nation may be of greater benefit in the future than in the past.

Yours fraternally,

C. E. DAVIS,  
Master.

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Resolution relating to National Grange meeting in California, introduced by Antelope Grange, referred to Committee on Good of the Order.

Resolution relating to National Grange meeting in San Francisco in 1915, introduced by Capital Grange, referred to Committee on Good of the Order.

Resolution relating to permitting all four degrees being given at one meeting, introduced by Capital Grange, referred to Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

Resolution relating to State prisons, introduced by Danville Grange, referred to Legislative Committee.

Resolution relating to Constitutional Amendment No. 8, introduced by Capital Grange, referred to Committee on Legislation.

Resolution relating to changing date of State Grange meeting, introduced by Sacramento County Pomona Grange, referred to Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

Resolution relating to change of time of meeting of State Grange, introduced by Sonoma County Pomona Grange, referred to Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

Resolution relating to nomination of officers, introduced by

Brother Collins, referred to Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

Resolution relating to supporting Progressive element in the National Grange, introduced by Brother Collins, referred to Committee on Good of the Order.

Moved by Brother Griffith, seconded by Brother Greer, that the Order of Business be amended so that the election of officers shall take place Thursday afternoon instead of Wednesday afternoon. Motion carried.

Several announcements were made and a recess was declared until 9 a. m. Wednesday.

#### EVENING

The Patrons were royally entertained at the reception tendered by the Patrons of Tulare County.

### SECOND DAY—WEDNESDAY

#### FORENOON

Grange was called to order at 9 a. m., Worthy Master Pettit presiding.

At the close of the opening song, the minutes were read and approved.

The report of the Committee on Credentials showed the Granges entitled to representation as follows:

American River—Mrs. N. H. Lauridson, Master's wife.

Antelope—Mrs. A. Van Maren, Master and husband.

Bennett Valley—Stanley Stetson, Alternate.

Capital—W. W. Greer, Master and wife.

Castoria—H. A. Hoerl, Alternate and wife.

Danville—Chas. Woodward, Alternate.

Dinuba—H. W. Russell, Master.

Elk Grove—Joseph Jackson, Master and wife.

Geyserville—J. E. Metzger, Master and wife.

Gold Hill—Herbert Fowler, Master and wife.

Mountain View—Michael Farrell, Master and wife.

Napa—F. L. Hunt, Master and wife.

Oakland—A. R. Dow, Master and wife.

Orangevale—John L. Patterson, Master and wife.

Orchard City—H. G. Keesling, Master and wife.

Petaluma—T. G. King, Alternate.

Progressive—A. E. Burnham, Master and wife.

Sacramento—Joseph Holmes, Alternate and wife.



Sacramento County Pomona—Geo. Sehlmeier, Master.  
 San Jose—F. H. Babb, Master.  
 Santa Clara County Pomona—E. F. Greenwood, Master.  
 Santa Rosa—H. N. N. Latimer, Master.  
 Sebastopol—G. W. Covert, Master.  
 Sonoma County Pomona—Walter Church, Master and wife.  
 Soquel—R. J. Mattison, Alternate.  
 Sunnyvale—J. F. Spalding, Master.  
 Tulare—Mrs. Lizzie Y. Woods, Master and husband.  
 Tulare County Pomona—W. A. Bates, Master.  
 Two Rock—S. L. Stice, Alternate and wife.  
 Visalia—C. E. Davis, Master.

CHAS. F. COLLINS,  
 JOSEPH JACKSON,  
 PETER HANSON,  
 MRS. JOSEPH HOLMES,  
 MRS. JAMES T. STOVER.

The Committee on Division of Labor offered the following report, which was adopted:

To the Worthy Master, Officers and Members of the State Grange of California:—

Your Committee on Division of Labor, to whom was referred the reports of the Master and other officers, beg leave to report that they have duly considered the same and recommend as follows:

That portion of the Worthy Master's report relating to condition of the order be referred to the Committee on Good of the Order.

That portion of the Master's report referring to amendments be referred to the Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

That portion of the Master's report relating to the National Grange to the Committee on Good of the Order.

That portion of the Master's report relating to co-operation to the Committee on Co-operation.

That portion of the Master's report relating to lecture work to the Committee on Good of the Order.

That portion of the Master's report relating to education to the Committee on Education.

That portion of the Master's report relating to good roads be referred to a special committee of five members with instruction to draw up a resolution or resolutions defining the position of the State Grange upon this important matter.

That portion of the Master's report relating to the quotation

from the report of the Overseer of the National Grange to the Committee on Good of the Order.

We further recommend that the report of the Worthy Lecturer be referred to the Committee on Good of the Order.

We further recommend that the reports of all officers of the State Grange referred to our committee be printed in full in journal.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

W. W. GREER,  
F. L. HUNT,  
J. F. SPALDING,  
MARTHA L. GAMBLE,  
MINNIE CHURCH.

The Committee on Fraternal Fire Insurance offered the following report, which was adopted:

Worthy Master, Officers and Members of the California State Grange:—

Your Committee on Fraternal Fire Insurance can only report that the Fire Insurance Bill failed to pass in the Senate at our last Legislature.

We believe that this State Grange should persist in the passage of some such bill that will redound to the credit of the Grange and enable us to gain and keep a larger and better class of members than we can possibly hope to have unless we can offer pecuniary benefits to Patrons that cannot be obtained by those who do not belong to our order.

JOHN TUOHY,  
OLIVE E. BORRETTE,  
S. L. STICE,  
MRS. A. E. BURNHAM.

The following report of the Committee on Woman's Work was adopted:

Worthy Master, Sisters and Brothers of the California State Grange:—

Your Committee on Woman's Work desires to submit to you the following report:

As we look over the broad field of woman's work in our various Granges we behold them white unto the harvest and each branch of the work seems to be the most imperative and no woman throughout the length and breadth of our land can sit down with folded hands and say, "There is nothing for me to do." Great issues are at stake, and while we may not be able, any

one of us, to do great things, we can each and every one do some one thing to help along these measures that we are facing and which we cannot dodge or hide ourselves from. Last year our plea for women was "character building." Now if we have tried during the past year to attain to greater strength and beauty of character, let us strive during the year before us to put that talent which we have gained into use by trying to do something to help someone around us, for "there is that scattereth and yet increaseth, there is that withholdeth more than is meet, and it tendeth to poverty." In the Grange meetings let each woman feel that the success of the meeting depends upon herself alone, let her watchword be as she enters the Grange hall not what can I get out of the meeting, but what can I give that will be helpful to the meeting, thus will she give and receive help. Do not leave all the responsibility to your Master and Lecturer but let each one share, and in your readings when you come across something interesting or helpful clip it out and give it at the next meeting, even if it be nothing more than a helpful quotation, it will add much to the interest of the meeting. In your conversation with friends and neighbors when you get hold of something real good, not GOSSIP, pass it on at the Grange. Give your brothers and sisters the benefit of your gleanings. This motto of passing along good things is fine. "Have you had a kindness shown? pass it on, 'twas not given for you alone, pass it on." If we as women would just resolve to only make of ourselves channels of blessing by passing on only the good we would soon make this old world a veritable Garden of Eden.

In the home and community today the need for "Woman's Work" is certainly an urgent one. The suffrage question demands the attention of every thinking woman in the land. The cry of justice is, "To woman belongs the ballot." We must all work towards the end that she receive her just rights. The old cry that woman's influence must only be wielded in the home is a cry of the past ages. She is no longer willing to be considered on a par with idiots and Indians; she has proven in every way that she has sufficient intelligence to enable her to walk side by side with her brother and deposit her ballot and her home will not suffer while she is striving to pass laws to help protect that home. Sisters, we are going to win on this question—let us all have a hand in the fray so we can say when the day of triumph comes, "We killed the bear."

The temperance work also demands our attention, it's an urgent call in every community, we cannot stop our ears to it. We may not be able to do much with those whose habits are formed



and who have been for years addicted to drinking and smoking, but we can load our efforts towards helping the young in our midst to be educated along lines that will enable them to know of the evils of such habits.

Mother's clubs in all of our schools will be a wonderful help along these lines. If you have not such a school club in your community go home and form one in your school and get all the mothers to join it and meet and talk over the questions that concern yours and your neighbor's children. Strive to have domestic science taught in all of your schools, so that your daughters may be trained to make good wives and mothers and thus lessen the number of divorces in our courts. These we feel to be a few of the many lines of work demanding the attention of the women of today.

Respectfully submitted,

ELLA M. DOW,  
CARRIE HOLMES,  
MRS. STANLEY STETSON,  
NELLIE W. HUNT.

The Finance Committee offered the following report, which was adopted:

To the Officers and Members of the California State Grange  
Assembled in Thirty-ninth Annual Session at Visalia:—

Your Committee on Finance beg leave to submit the following report:

We have examined the books of the Secretary and Treasurer and find them correct and neatly kept.

We recommend that hereafter all bills should be itemized.

Respectfully submitted,

L. J. CHURCH,  
A. R. DOW,  
MRS. C. HANSEN.

On motion by Brother Greer, seconded by Brother Stice, the following resolution, presented by Brother Greer, was adopted:

Resolved, That the question of selecting a meeting place for holding the next session of the State Grange be made a special order of business for Friday morning at 10 o'clock.

The Worthy Master then announced the following substitutes to committees:

Co-operation—Brother J. L. Patterson.

Taxation—Sisters H. G. Keesling and Frankie M. Greer.

Education—Brother F. H. Babb and Sister Nellie Hunt.

A recess was declared to give the various committees an opportunity to meet and formulate their reports.

After recess the Worthy Master gave the unwritten work of all four degrees.

Several announcements were made and the meeting adjourned until 2 p. m.

#### AFTERNOON

At 2 p. m. the Grange was called to order by Worthy Master Pettit.

The hour having arrived for the Lecturer's work, Worthy Lecturer F. H. Babb took charge of the meeting and the following program was rendered:

Paper—"The Educational Work of the Lecturer" ..... Mrs. J. D. Ellis of Petaluma  
 The Entertainment Work of the Lecturer ..... Geo. Sehlmeier of Elk Grove  
 Discussion of the Above Topics by C. N. Patterson, Assemblyman  
 G. W. Wyllie, Wm. E. Stewart and C. E. Davis  
 Paper—"The Printed Program for the Lecturer" ..... Chas. F. Collins of Dinuba  
 Short Talk on the Advisability of the Granges Conferring and  
 Working with the State in the Securing of County  
 Libraries ..... Miss Jennie Herman

The Committee on Constitution and By-Laws offered the following partial report, which, on motion by Brother Greer, seconded by Brother Fowler, was adopted:

Worthy Master, Officers and Members of the California State Grange:—

Your Committee on Constitution and By-Laws, to whom was referred the resolution relating to the nominating of officers in the Grange, introduced by Brother Collins of Dinuba Grange, have duly considered the same and report the same back without recommendation, all of which is respectfully submitted.

W. W. GREER,  
 W. A. BATES,  
 MRS. J. E. METZGER.

The Committee on Good of the Order made the following report, which was, on motion by Brother Davis, seconded by Brother Greer, considered sieriatur:

To the Worthy Master, Officers and Members of the California State Grange:—

Your Committee on Good of the Order has duly considered the following portions of the Worthy Master's report referred to us: Condition of Order, National Grange, Lecturer's Work, and Quotation from Report of Overseer of National Grange, also Worthy Lecturer's report, and recommend their adoption. In regard to that portion of the reports of the Master and Lecturer regarding the paying a portion of the expenses of the Lecturers of Pomona and Subordinate Granges, we recommend paying half of the traveling expenses in attending State Grange.

The resolutions relative to inviting the National Grange to meeting in this State in 1915, we recommend their adoption.

We fully considered the resolution in regard to instructing our delegates to the National Grange to support the Progressive or Insurgent element and return it and feel it better to trust to the judgment of the delegate to do whatever he may deem best for the good of the order.

W. CHURCH,  
E. F. GREENWOOD,  
MRS. S. L. STICE,  
MRS. C. HANSEN.

The action upon the above report was as follows:

That portion relating to the part of the Worthy Master's and Worthy Lecturer's reports regarding the paying of half of the expenses of the Subordinate and Pomona Grange Lecturers to the State Grange after lengthy discussion was not adopted.

That portion referring to inviting the National Grange to meet in this State in 1915 was adopted.

That portion referring to instructing our delegate to the National Grange to uphold the Progressive or Insurgent element was adopted.

Moved by Brother Collins, seconded by Brother Davis, that the resolution relating to supporting Progressive element, introduced by Dinuba Grange, be offered as a substitute for that portion of report. After a great deal of discussion the motion was lost.

The report as adopted as a whole was adopted.

The following report of the Committee on Charity was adopted:

To the Officers and Members of the California State Grange:—

Your Committee on Charity wish to submit the following report:

From a canvass among the different Granges we find that the charity injunctions are being obeyed to some extent, the com-



mands of St. Paul being carried out. We are not forgetting charity, which is LOVE. We find our Patrons most liberal in dispensing, opening up their berry patches, gardens and their orchards to those who lack such, and they are most ready with letters, words and deeds of sympathy in time of need. As far as ascertained Progressive Grange is the only one that has taken up charity work as an organization, they making many garments for the Lytton Orphanage; in other Granges they have helped brothers and sisters in time of distress as brothers, not calling it charity, but a just division in time of need.

Brothers and sisters, charity is not all of worldly goods; speak good of others rather than evil; gather up memories of others' virtues, passing by their faults in pity. Therefore, be ye helpers one of another, for we are all brethren.

MRS. MINNIE CHURCH,  
MRS. J. E. METZGER.

The Committee on Taxation made the following report, which was adopted:

Worthy Master, Officers and Members of the California State Grange:—

Your Committee on Taxation beg leave to submit the following report:

That the present taxation law, adopted by the voters at the last election and now on trial, is sufficient, in the opinion of the committee, so far as it is able to determine. The law has not been in force long enough to recommend any changes.

A. E. BURNHAM,  
A. R. DOW,  
MRS. F. M. GREER,  
MRS. H. G. KEESLING.

The following report of the Committee on Legislation was read by Brother Latimer:

Worthy Master, Officers and Members of California State Grange:—

Your Committee on Legislation report as follows on the Amendments to the Constitution, to be voted upon at the special election on October 10th of this year. The numbers referred to in this report are the numbers as they appear in consecutive order on the ballot.

We recommend that No. 1 should be voted for, as it makes the law a uniform State law in regard to the appointment of inspectors of weights and measures.

No. 2, in our judgment, should be voted down and worked against, as it gives the Boards of Supervisors the power to make the government of a county bureaucratic, and to take it out of the hands of the people.

No. 3 should be voted down, for we believe the members of the Legislature can better work for the interests of the people in one continuous session than by dividing the session in two, with a thirty-day recess in between.

No. 4 provides for the women being allowed to vote, and as the attitude of the Grange on this question is well known, there is hardly need of recommendation; however, we recommend that everyone use their own discretion in the matter.

No. 5 should be voted for, as it makes the requirement that all railroads that shall be built for logging and lumbering purposes shall not acquire private property for such purposes without first paying a just compensation therefor, as well for other purposes.

No. 6 provides for the framing of a charter by cities of more than 300,000 population, and the cities will see that it is carried or lost; however, each one should use his own discretion in the matter.

No. 7 provides for the initiative and referendum, and should certainly be voted for.

No. 8 provides for the recall, including the judiciary, and should be voted for.

No. 9 should be voted for, as it provides that no appeals shall be taken on mere technical grounds in criminal cases, and tends to shorten and simplify court proceedings.

No. 10, providing that employers compensate employees for injuries sustained during their employment, no matter whose fault, seems to be unfair and unjust, and should be voted against.

No. 11 should be voted for, as it provides for the limitations of the terms of office, and tends to put certain offices under civil service rules.

No. 12 provides that all public utility corporations be put under the control of the railroad commissioners, and should be voted for.

No. 13 provides for city charters to regulate the time and manner of election of city boards and officials.

No. 14 provides for cities owning their own public utility systems, and should be voted for.

No. 15 names the members of the State Board of Education and the printing of textbooks, and provides that no textbooks shall be changed in a less period than four years, and should

be voted for.

No. 16 provides for five Railroad Commissioners instead of three, and to fix a salary for them and confer further powers, but does not repeal any acts heretofore passed governing the Railroad Commissioners, and would tend to make confusion and dissension.

No. 17 provides for cities regulating the number of votes required for the election of city officers other than a plurality. Yes.

No. 18 has reference to the judiciary, and does away with the time-honored Justice Courts and peace officers, with a view to establish Circuit or District Court instead. We believe it would work a hardship on the people, and particularly the agricultural districts, and recommend that the amendment be voted against.

No. 19 provides for the granting of passes to peace officers. We think the service of the constables and deputy sheriffs could be enlarged and made more efficient if the amendment was carried and went into effect.

No. 20 gives the Supreme Court the authority to appoint the clerk of the Supreme Court, instead of his being elected as heretofore, thereby getting a man fully qualified to fill the office, and for the good of the judiciary, the amendment should carry.

No. 21. As there is no provision in our laws for the punishment of the justices of the Appellate Courts, this amendment provides therefor, and should be voted in favor of.

No. 22 provides for the exemption from taxation of property to the value of \$1,000.00 of veterans of the army or navy, where their property or that of their wives is less than \$5,000.00, and applies to those only who are legal residents of this State. We believe it to be just and right, and therefore should be voted for.

No. 23 provides that no railroad or other transportation company shall raise the rates of transportation without the consent of the Railroad Commissioners, and should carry.

Worthy Master and Brethren:—Your Committee on Legislation, in considering the subject of the twenty-three proposed Constitutional Amendments, had their attention called to the great diversity of legislative knowledge required for their proper consideration and adoption. In considering them impartially and carefully, we could not overlook the fact that men of his standing, with excellent technical education on the several subjects of the amendments, diametrically differ on the effects of their adoption.

We realize that the great masses of our citizens lack the



technical knowledge the different subjects require.

It seems to us the average citizen does not give proper consideration to the duty the elective franchise puts upon him. Too many regard voting as a privilege to be exercised by them as their fancy, prejudice or selfishness dictates. This view is perversive of the very best interests of the community, as they are unworthy of the patriotic good citizen. We believe the citizen, in voting, should consider the result of his vote for the benefit of the community solely, and be governed by that principle solely.

We think that under political partisanship, as it now exists, selfishness too often controls the voter, and we know of no means by which this can now be prevented.

We believe, however, that a better system of education in the duties of the franchise, properly inculcated, will create a better class of American citizenship, but we believe that such an education must commence with the child, and be taught in the public schools. If the vital duties of good citizens is properly impressed on the child, they will be imbued with it into manhood and womanhood.

Our schools now lack this instruction, but the time is coming when it will be given. It should now be introduced in all our schools. It will result in a more enlightened citizenship if the subject meets with the support its merits deserve.

We believe the subject should have the impartial, patriotic support of the Patrons of Husbandry. We believe the State Grange should promote it and advocate it with the State Board of Equalization, and we believe the originating and advocating of such a laudable course of education will reflect credit on the State Grange if originated and advocated by it.

We therefore propose the following resolution:

Resolved, The duty of the citizen in the exercise of voting requires that he should be prepared for such duties in the public schools, commencing with the child at the proper age of his or her life.

Resolved, The State Board of Education should introduce such instruction in our public schools. The knowledge of legislation, which our citizens should have, is emphasized by the proposed Constitutional Amendments.

We submit these resolutions to the earnest consideration of the State Grange of Patrons of Husbandry of California. In thus presenting our conclusions on this very important subject to you, we have but two objects in view—to get a better educated class of citizens for progressive legislation, and to gain

the credit for originating and promoting it for the Patrons of Husbandry of California.

JOHN TUOHY,  
H. N. N. LATIMER,  
F. L. HUNT.

The resolution at end of above report, on motion by Brother Tuohy, seconded by Brother Babb, was adopted.

Several announcements were made and a recess was taken until 7:30 p. m.

#### EVENING

The Grange reassembled at 7:30 p. m., Worthy Master Pettit in the chair.

After the opening song, Soquel Grange made a verbal report.

The report of the Legislative Committee was then considered sieratum.

That part fererring to Amendment No. 8, adopted.

That portion referring to State Prisons, adopted.

That portion referring to Amendment No. 1, adopted.

That portion referring to Amendment No. 2, not adopted.

Moved by Brother Babb, seconded by Brother Wyllie, that we substitute that we favor the amendment. Motion carried.

That portion referring to Amendment No. 3, adopted.

Moved by Brother Holmes, seconded by Brother Metzger, that the resolution from Sacramento Grange be substituted for that portion of report referring to Amendment No. 4, adopted.

That portion referring to Amendment No. 5, adopted.

That portion referring to Amendment No. 6, adopted.

That portion referring to Amendment No. 7, adopted.

That portion referring to Amendment No. 8, adopted.

That portion referring to Amendment No. 9, adopted.

That portion referring to Amendment No. 10, adopted.

That portion referring to Amendment No. 11, adopted.

That portion referring to Amendment No. 12, adopted.

That portion referring to Amendment No. 13, adopted.

That portion referring to Amendment No. 14, adopted.

That portion referring to Amendment No. 15, adopted.

That portion referring to Amendment No. 16, adopted.

That portion referring to Amendment No. 17, adopted.

That portion referring to Amendment No. 18, adopted.

That portion referring to Amendment No. 19, not adopted.

That portion referring to Amendment No. 20, adopted.

That portion referring to Amendment No. 21, adopted.



That portion referring to Amendment No. 22, adopted.

That portion referring to Amendment No. 23, adopted.

The report as a whole as adopted was adopted.

The hour for special order of business having arrived, the

Memorial Committee presented the following program:

Repeating of the Twenty-third Psalm .....	By the Grange
Song .....	By the Choir
Remarks by Brothers and Placing of Flowers on Altar—	
Bennett Valley—G. N. Whitaker .....	Peter Hanson
Castoria—Lorenzo Hurd .....	H. A. Hoerl
Danville—Myron W. Hall .....	Chas. Woodward
Dinuba—John W. Fraser .....	Chas. F. Collins
San Jose—Robert Summers .....	F. H. Babb
Recitation—"There is no Death" .....	Sister Dow
Remarks .....	By Sister Olive E. Borrette
Song .....	By the Choir
Repeating of Lord's Prayer .....	By Grange

### THIRD DAY—THURSDAY

The day was devoted to an automobile excursion through the citrus belt of the county. The Patrons feel that it was one of the greatest treats of their lives.

#### EVENING

At the close of the opening song, Grange closed in the fourth and opened in the fifth degree and E. F. Greenwood, Worthy Master Santa Clara County Pomona Grange, conferred the fifth degree upon the following class: Mrs. Edna Hartley, Miss May Cutler, Mrs. W. A. Bates, Mrs. G. W. Wyllie, M. T. Mills, Mrs. M. T. Mills, Mary S. Dougal, A. C. Williams, H. W. Russelle, Mrs. Iambie Russell.

Grange closed in the fifth and opened in the sixth degree, and W. V. Griffith, Worthy Past Master California State Grange, conferred the sixth degree on the following class:

J. T. Lawson, Mrs. Elsie B. Lawson, G. W. Wyllie, Mrs. Emma Wyllie, Mrs. Mary S. Dougal, Elza Dougal, Mrs. Bertha I. Morris, F. S. Newcomb, Mrs. Ida R. Newcomb, Mrs. Alburta King, Morpheus Jacob, Geo. W. Covert, J. L. Patterson, Mrs. Nora Patterson, Miss May Cutler, Mrs. Edna Hartley, W. A. Bates, Mrs. Clara M. Bates, Mrs. Julia Schulp, Peter Schulp, Clarence Davis, Miss Allie Jones, H. W. Russell, Mrs. Iambie Russell, Mrs. Lizzie Woods, Mrs. Emma Lowman, Mrs. Flora Sayre, Charles A. Sayre,



Mr. and Mrs. D. R. Deming, Mr. and Mrs. M. T. Mills, Mrs. Alice E. Winans, Mrs. Louise Haheisy, Mrs. Carrie Weaver, J. W. McPherson.

At the close of the initiation the Grange closed in the sixth degree and opened in the fourth, and Brother Sehlmeier made a motion, seconded by Brother Holmes, that the Worthy Secretary write a letter of regret to Brother and Sister Daniel Flint. Motion carried.

The Grange then took a recess until 8 a. m. Friday and the usual Feast of Pomona was enjoyed.

#### FOURTH DAY—FRIDAY

##### FORENOON

The Grange was called to order by Worthy Master Pettit, the opening song was sung, and the minutes were approved as read.

The Committee on Education made the following report, which was adopted:

Worthy Master and Patrons:—

Your Committee on Education respectfully submit the following report:

We believe that "knowledge is power" and realize that an education which was considered sufficient equipment a generation ago will not answer the requirements today. We believe that the greatest bar to success in farming is the farmer's lack of education in the details of his own calling. No person would ever think of any one of the professions without long and careful preparation to fit him for the particular line of work he is to follow, while the average farmer of today deliberately takes up his life work without any special preparation other than a stock of good sense. The same rule applied to any other calling would invariably end in bankruptcy.

The farmer's education should begin with the youth. He should be taught profound respect for his calling and should thoroughly master the science of the particular line which he expects to follow. This will enable him to so conduct his work as to do away with the long days of toil that have made the farm a place of drudgery.

To further this object as rapidly as possible we strongly recommend the introduction of agricultural and domestic economy and industrial and manual training into the curricula of our public schools wherever practicable, also the training of industrial

teachers in our Normal Schools to supply the ever-increasing demand for instructors in this line, thereby giving an opportunity to develop the natural inclination of those students who prefer an industrial rather than a classical education, and furthermore we urge Patrons to avail themselves of these privileges where they are already established.

All difficulties eventually resolve themselves into a question of education or knowing how and all education should tend first to "the development of a better and higher manhood and womanhood." On this foundation we should build the specialist.

While we believe in better husbandry and the production of more abundant and superior crops, we contend that the greatest problem barring the way to financial success in the agriculture of our State is the disposing of our farm products with a profit to the producer and to the advantage of the consumer. Therefore, we plead for an agricultural education founded on the idea that the farmer must be a factor in the commercial world as well as "the man behind the plow," if he would derive a profit from his labors, and we most strongly urge the establishment of a department of farm economics in our State College of Agriculture for the purpose of educating the farmer in the business principles of his calling, believing this to be of as vital importance as the production of superior crops and greater tonnage.

We urge upon farmers the necessity of availing themselves of the valuable information contained in the bulletins and circulars issued by the Agricultural College and Experiment Stations of this State as well as those of the United States Department of Agriculture at Washington, most of which are free for the asking; also their attendance at farmers' institutes, horticultural society meetings, the short courses at the State Farm, and all other available means for advancing their knowledge of their calling and thereby promoting the welfare of the rural communities. We fully endorse that part of the Worthy Master's address relating to vocational schools to which reference has already been made.

We heartily endorse the work of the International Institute of Agriculture with headquarters at Rome Italy, and believe that this subject commends itself to our most careful attention. We urge more liberal support of it by our Congress and State department at Washington, as well as by all other nations connected with it, and importune that at the earliest possible date the leading agricultural products of the world be added to its monthly reports.



As many people join our order every year, who do not realize the breadth of its principles or comprehend the far-reaching purposes for which it was founded, we recommend that at every installation service the Declaration of Purposes be impressively read as a fitting platform on which the year's endeavors shall be carried forward.

We urge a strict adherence to the laws of our order and a better knowledge of parliamentary rules with a view to conducting our meetings in a more orderly manner.

We recommend the observance of special days, such as Woman's Day, Memorial Day, Childrens' Day, and such others as may be best adapted to the individual Grange.

In order that the initiation ceremony may be performed in a pleasing and impressive manner, it is necessary for each officer to commit his part to memory and that in the preparation of the candidates they be impressed with the important mission of the organization and the sacred and binding nature of the obligations they assume.

We recommend the use of printed programs in Subordinate and Pomona Granges prepared for six months or a year in advance, and importune all Patrons to assist, to the best of their ability, the Lecturer in his arduous duties, being convinced that the success or failure of the Grange depends more upon the Lecturer than any other official in it, and that a successful Lecturer means a live and growing Grange.

We recommend a yearly conference of the Lecturers of this State to be held in conjunction with each meeting of the State Grange and presided over by the State Lecturer, for the purpose of disseminating knowledge and assisting the Lecturers of the Subordinate and Pomona Granges in their work. We suggest that if necessary the State Grange bear part of the expenses of Lecturers to this meeting.

We urge the more frequent exemplification of the secret work of the order in our Subordinate Granges, until every regular attendant is thoroughly familiar with it and comprehends its significance.

We urge upon Lecturers the importance of making use of the local press of their respective towns for the dissemination of Grange news such as the program for the coming meeting and the report of the previous meeting, etc. Most county papers are eager for these items and they serve to keep the Grange constantly before the public.

We strongly urge the reading of Grange periodicals by all Patrons of Husbandry and their introduction among farmers



outside our gates. Let us "reap for the mind as well as for the body," remembering that the teachings of our order will make the farmer's home the brightest and happiest place on earth.

CHAS. F. COLLINS,

F. H. BABB,

F. M. GREER,

NELLIE W. HUNT.

Resolution (see resolutions) relating to agriculture in the Normal Schools (introduced by Committee on Education) on motion by Brother Collins, seconded by Brother Sehlmeier, was adopted.

The Committee on Panama-Pacific Exposition made the following report, which was adopted:

Worthy Master, Officers and Members of the State Grange of California:—

Your Committee on arrangements for headquarters for Patrons during the Panama-Pacific Exposition in San Francisco in 1915 has met and perfected a permanent organization as follows: President, W. V. Griffith, Geyserville; Vice-President, H. G. Keesling, San Jose, R. F. D. No. 3, Box 154; Secretary, Mrs. O. E. Borrette, Napa, R. F. D. No. 1; Treasurer, Mrs. C. R. Holmes, Sacramento, R. F. D. No. 1.

Your committee, reading that the hospitality of the Patrons of California is to be extended to all visiting Patrons of Husbandry attending the 1915 Panama-Pacific Exposition, urges our members to lose no opportunity to raise ample funds to establish and maintain creditable headquarters for the information, convenience and pleasure of our guests at that time. Looking to that end,

We recommend that each and every Subordinate Grange assesses its members twenty-five cents per annum from now until October 1st, 1915, in addition to what the California State Grange may appropriate, as one means of raising funds for the establishment and maintenance of suitable headquarters and information bureau for visiting Patrons to the Panama-Pacific Exposition in 1915. Said funds to be collected by the Secretaries of the Subordinate Granges and forwarded to the Secretary of this committee on or before October 1st of each year, including October, 1915. The Secretary of this committee to receipt for the funds so paid in and turn them over to the Treasurer of this committee, taking her receipt for the same. Said funds to be

at the disposal of this committee as a whole.

W. V. GRIFFITH, President,  
H. G. KEESLING, Vice-President,  
OLIVE E. BORRETTE, Secretary,  
CARRIE R. HOLMES, Treasurer,  
THOMAS JACOB.

Resolution (see resolutions) relating to Panama-Pacific Exposition and the improving of our counties (introduced by Brother H. G. Keesling) on motion by Brother Keesling, seconded by Brother Latimer, was adopted.

Brother Sehlmeier made a motion, seconded by Brother Holmes, that the following report of the Committee on Constitution and By-Laws be adopted:

To the Officers and Members of the California State Grange:—

Your Committee on Constitution and By-Laws, to whom was referred the following constitutional amendments, No. 1 from Sacramento Pomona Grange, and No. 2 from Conoma Pomona Grange, have duly considered the same and beg leave to report in favor of Amendment No. 1 from Sacramento Pomona Grange changing the time of meeting of the California State Grange from the first Tuesday in October to the third Tuesday in October. All of which is respectfully submitted.

W. W. GREER,  
W. A. BATES,  
MRS. J. E. METZGER.

Moved by Brother Metzger, seconded by Brother Burnham, that we amend the report by changing it to read second Tuesday in December instead of third Tuesday in October. The motion was lost.

The report was then adopted.

On motion by Brother Greer, the selection of place of meeting was postponed until after the election of officers.

The Worthy Master then appointed A. R. Dow, Peter Hanson, and Mrs. Edna Hartley tellers, and the following officers were elected for the coming term of two years:

Master, E. T. Pettit.  
Overseer, Wm. E. Stewart.  
Lecturer, W. V. Griffith.  
Steward, Chas. F. Collins.  
Assistant Steward, Geo. Sehlmeier.  
Chaplain, Ella M. Dow.  
Treasurer, Joseph Holmes.

Secretary, Nellie W. Hunt.

Gate Keeper, Stanley Stetson.

Ceres, Mrs. Edna Hartley.

Pomona, Mrs. James T. Stover.

Flora, Mrs. A. Van Maren.

Lady Assistant Steward, Rena Church.

Organist, Mrs. Alice E. Winaans.

Executive Committeeman, A. Van Maren.

After the election of officers a recess was taken until 1:30 p. m.

#### AFTERNOON

The Grange was called to order at 1:30 p. m. and the Committee on Co-operation offered the following report, which was adopted:

To the Worthy Master, Officers and Members of the State Grange:—

Your Committee on Co-operation beg to submit the following report:

Co-operation is the handiwork of nature as is so beautifully illustrated by blending mountains, hills and valleys into a panorama that gladdens the vision and fills the soul with that moral uplift that unites us into communities for the purpose of seeking a closer relationship and a better protection of our rights. This great co-operation is manifested on every hand, it is taken advantage of by our captains of finance in organizing capital and labor for their benefit. The co-operation of the "interest" for the purpose of perpetuating their own selfish good, and of oppressing the people. At every meeting of the State Grange the Committee on Co-operation has made a report—and in all of those reports worthy recommendations have been presented and acted upon by the Grange, and so far as results are concerned, stopped there.

It is difficult for your committee to recommend anything new as the field has been so ably gone over by such worthy champions of co-operation as Fowler, Dore, Greer and others. The best recommendation we can make is to refer this State Grange to the many reports made to this body and found in the Journal of Proceedings of the past sessions. Your committee would recommend especially the reports of 1905, 1907, and that portion of 1910 that refers to a buying and selling agent for Subordinate Granges.

2nd. We further recommend that the Executive Committee formulate rules and regulations governing the actions of such



agent, and that they use enough of the unappropriated fund necessary for the establishment of this co-operative feature of the Grange. Your committee would recommend that the members become teachers of co-operation by encouraging their respective Granges to buy direct from the producer, and sell direct to the consumer so far as it is practical, and thus encourage the spirit of co-operation among our Patrons.

J. E. METZGER,  
H. A. HOERL,  
J. L. PATTERSON,  
MRS. F. H. STILES.

The Committee on Legislation offered the following request as its final report, which, on motion by Brother Latimer, seconded by Brother Keesling, was adopted:

Your committee ask that the Worthy Secretary be instructed to forward to the San Francisco Chronicle, also to E. F. Adams, president of the Commonwealth Club (with a request to bring them before the club for discussion), the resolutions at end of partial report.

Resolution (see resolutions) relating to good roads, introduced by Brother Woodward, on motion by Brother Woodward, seconded by Brother Stetson, was adopted.

Resolution (see resolutions) introduced by Brother Patterson, regarding the International Co-operative Alliance meeting in San Francisco in 1915, on motion by Brother Patterson, seconded by Brother Stetson, was adopted.

The hour for special order of business having arrived, invitations for the next place of meeting were considered.

Sebastopol and Sonoma County Pomona Granges extended invitations.

Moved by Brother Fowler, seconded by Brother Covert, that we accept the invitation for the State Grange to meet with Sebastopol Grange in 1912.

Brother Griffith made a motion that the invitation from Santa Clara County Pomona Grange be substituted for Sebastopol Grange. The motion was seconded by Brother Burnham and lost. The motion to accept the invitation from Sebastopol Grange was then carried.

The Committee on Pleasure Grounds did not make a report, but invited a discussion of the subject. Several spoke upon the subject and then the owning of Grange hall by Granges, the manner of procuring same, to whom the hall belonged, and also what became of the hall if the charter of Grange owning hall was

surrendered, was discussed.

We were then favored by a recitation by Sister Dow and a blind reading by Sister Allie Jones, and a recess was declared until 7:30 p. m.

#### EVENING

Worthy Master Pettit opened the Grange in the usual manner and the Good Old Plow was sung for the opening song.

The Committee on Resolutions offered several resolutions (see resolutions) of thanks for its report.

Worthy Past Master W. W. Greer, assisted by Sister Carrie Holmes, installed the newly elected officers.

At the close of the installation ceremony, Sister A. R. Dow stepped to the front and on behalf of the members of the Grange, presented a handsome tusk breastpin set in nuggets of gold to the retiring Secretary, Mrs. Thomas Jacob.

All joined in singing "Parting Hymn," and the Grange closed in regular form in the fourth degree until October, 1912.

#### RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED BY THE CALIFORNIA STATE GRANGE

##### RELATING TO AGRICULTURE, ETC., IN NORMAL SCHOOLS Introduced by Committee on Education

Whereas, We believe that many boys and girls who fail in the courses as now arranged in the curricula of our Grammar and High Schools would "make good" if allowed to pursue the study of agriculture, domestic science, or the mechanical arts; therefore be it

Resolved, That we, the members of the California State Grange, urge upon the California State Board of Education that a practical course of study be established in our State Normal Schools to properly prepare their pupils to teach these subjects in the Grammar and High Schools of our State.

##### RELATING TO CO-OPERATIVE ALLIANCE Introduced by Committee on Co-operation

Whereas, A movement is now on foot by the different co-operative organizations of California to secure the Tenth Congress of International Co-operative Alliances to meet in San Francisco in 1915; and

Whereas, One of the grand principles of Grange faith is co-operation; therefore be it

Resolved, By the State Grange in session now assembled, that it extends to said movement its effort and exerts its influence that the meeting of said Co-operative Alliance may be held in San Francisco at that time; and be it further

Resolved, That the Executive Committee take such action as will give this body a proper standing in said Congress.

#### RELATING TO NATIONAL GRANGE

Introduced by W. W. Greer of Capital Grange

Resolved, That the California State Grange extend to the National Grange a cordial invitation to meet in the State of California in November, 1915.

Resolved, That the Master of this State Grange be, and is hereby instructed, to properly present this invitation at the next session of the National Grange.

Introduced by Antelope Grange

Resolved, That our representative of the California State Grange be instructed to draft a resolution or otherwise use his endeavors before the National Grange to have that body meet in this State in 1915.

#### RELATING TO GOOD ROADS

Introduced by Chas. Woodward of Danville Grange

Whereas, Inasmuch as the tiller of the soil is not receiving the proportion of the blessings to which his noble calling entitles him; and

Whereas, Better roads would increase these blessings, as was evidenced in the one hundred mile, seven hour excursion of October 5th; therefore be it

Resolved, That it is the sense of this State Grange that it urge and favor better roads and better road building; and

Resolved further, That we commend the good work of road building of the Supervisors of Tulare County.

Introduced by H. G. Keesling of Orchard City Grange

Whereas, The great Panama-Pacific Exposition will be held in the city of San Francisco in the year 1915; and

Whereas, Grange headquarters will be maintained at the exposition where Patrons of Husbandry from any Grange in the United States may obtain reliable information regarding all sections of our beloved State of California; and

Whereas, We hope to appear at our very best at that time; therefore be it



Resolved, By the State Grange of California, in annual session assembled, that we on returning to our homes begin at once to work for the betterment of our several counties in every manner in our power, and particularly be it

Resolved, That we do earnest work in the cleaning up and beautifying of our public highways, especially in regards to the planting of trees and flowers along such highways, to the end that our scenery, our trees and vines, and all our agricultural and horticultural crops may be seen at the best, unmolested by any signs, placards, bill boards, or other advertising matter.

#### RELATING TO WOMAN SUFFRAGE

Introduced by Sacramento Grange

Whereas, The last legislature has proposed Constitutional Amendment No. 8, the same to be voted upon at the special election to be held October 10, 1911; and

Whereas, The purpose of Constitutional Amendment No. 8 is to confer upon women the right to vote at all elections to be held in the State of California; and

Whereas, woman, by her fidelity and successful manner in which she has performed every duty assigned her in Grange work and other vocations in life; and

Whereas, It is believed that with the influence of the good women of California, as expressed at the ballot box, we will secure better laws—laws that will eliminate the saloons with all of their demoralizing influences and bad associations; laws that will create better moral conditions, and law officers of the highest moral integrity; and

Whereas, We believe these much needed reforms will speedily be brought about with the enfranchisement of woman, now, therefore be it

Resolved, By Sacramento Grange No. 12, P. of H., that we are in favor of the adoption of Constitutional Amendment No. 8. and do earnestly request all Patrons to work and to vote for said Amendment No. 8.

#### RELATING TO CHANGE IN TIME OF MEETING

Introduced by Sacramento County Pomona Grange

Resolved, By Sacramento County Pomona Grange No. 2 that we are in favor of changing the date of the annual meeting of the California State Grange from the first Tuesday to the third Tuesday in October.

Resolved, That the last half of line 2, Article 4, of the Con-

stitution of the California State Grange be amended to read as follows: Third Tuesday in October.

#### RELATING TO THANKS

Introduced by Committee on Resolutions

Resolved, That the members of the California State Grange in session in Visalia do hereby tender a heartfelt vote of thanks to A. R. Cutler, mayor of Visalia, and W. R. Pigg, president of the Visalia Chamber of Commerce, for the courtesy shown and the freedom of the city tendered the visiting Patrons; to A. E. Miot, secretary of the Tulare County Board of Trade, for his entertaining illustrated lecture on the resources of Tulare County; to all who furnished autos for the excursion; to the proprietor of the Elkhorn Garage, who furnished the Red Cross auto without compensation; to the president of the Porterville Board of Trade, the pastor and members of the Ladies' Aid of the First Congregational Church of Porterville and the Porterville band for our reception and entertainment in that city; and be it further

Resolved, That we thank the officers and members of Visalia Grange and other Patrons of Tulare County for arranging for the accommodation and entertainment of this session of the State Grange and for the hearty greeting and cordiality with which we have been received. Be it further

Resolved, That we do especially thank the papers of Visalia for their full and comprehensive reports, and all others who have so generously contributed to our comfort and entertainment.



## STANDING COMMITTEES

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TO ARRANGE FOR GRANGE HEADQUARTERS FOR THE PANAMA-PACIFIC EXPOSITION IN 1915—W. V. Griffith, Geyserville; Thomas Jacob, Visalia; H. G. Keesling, Campbell; Mrs. O. E. Borrette, Napa; Mrs. Joseph Holmes, Sacramento.



## TABULATED REPORT OF SUBORDINATE GRANGES, OCTOBER, 1911

NAMES OF GRANGES	No. of Members Close of Last Year		GAINS						LOSSES						Total No. of Mem- bers at this date	
			By Initiat'n		By Demit		By re-in- s'tm't		Sus non- payment Dues		Withdr'n or De- mitted		Death			
	Bro.	Sis.	Bro.	Sis.	Bro.	Sis.	Bro.	Sis.	Bro.	Sis.	Bro.	Sis.	Bro.	Sis.		
American River .....	46	46	1						7	4			1		40	41
Antelope .....	39	37	3	2									1		39	35
Bennett Valley .....	43	28	10	8	2						3	3	1		51	36
Bowman .....	12	8	8	9					1						19	17
Capital .....	25	37	1	1					3	3		2			23	33
Castoria .....	44	35	4	6											48	41
Danville .....	35	44	6	5									1	1	40	48
Dinuba .....	37	40	2	2	5	5	6	4	10	12			1		39	39
Elk Grove .....	22	32	7	7					3	3		1	2		26	33
Eucalyptus .....															15	8
Fort Romie .....															16	9
Geyserville .....	11	21	2	6	1					1		1			14	25
Glen Ellen .....	27	18	1		1										28	18
Gold Hill .....	29	18	1	1					4	3	2	1			24	15
Greenfield .....															47	33
Lincoln .....	51	47	4	3			1		5	5	2	2	1		47	44
Mountain View .....	30	27	6	4	1	1						2	2		37	30
Napa .....	50	29	4	4					4		2	1	1		47	32
Oakland .....	12	23	5	5	1	1			1	3	2	3	1	1	14	22
Orangevale .....	22	11	21	26					2	1	1	1	1		39	35

Orchard City .....	58	55	9	11			1	1	4	4		1	62	60
Petaluma .....	33	33	9	8	1	1	2	1	3	1	1	38	39	
Potter Valley .....	16	10					2	1			1	14	8	
Progressive .....	25	36	4	6	1	1				1	1	28	42	
Sacramento .....	41	67		1	1	1	1	1	3	1	1	40	66	
San Jose .....	60	45	4	5	1	1	2	1	2	2	1	60	48	
Santa Rosa .....	37	30		1			3	3			1	34	27	
Sebastopol .....												27	18	
Sequel .....	128	32	13	7	2	2	1	44	9	10	3	90	29	
Sunnyvale .....	18	16	9	11			8	11	2	2	2	33	36	
Tulare .....	33	23	3	1	1		4	5	3	2	2	29	17	
Two Rock .....	33	25	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	2	2	32	33	
Visalia .....	26	21	6	3			8	5				24	19	
Totals .....	1043	904	144	144	16	14	15	17	109	68	40	33	1010	1164
Sacramento Co. Pomona	48	68	2	3		1					1	2	1	48
Santa Clara Co. Pom.	66	58	4	5					1	1	1	1	69	62
Sonoma Co. Pomona...	50	47	5	4				3	2		1	1	51	46
Tulare Co. Pomona...	35	33	10	10		1			2	3	1	1	41	40
Totals .....	199	206	21	22		2			5	5	3	5	3	2
													209	218

This report does not contain Granges that have not reported during the year.

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Dinuba, Cal.



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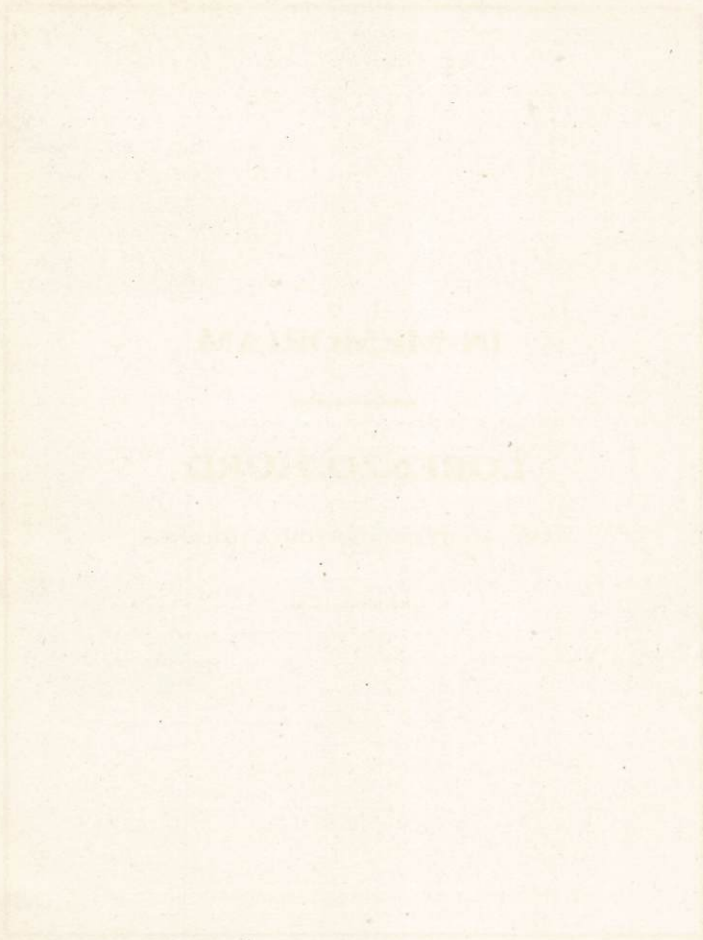
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**LORENZO HURD**

PAST MASTER CASTORIA GRANGE

Lathrop, Cal.









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