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FIRST DAY-TUESDAY

The fiftieth annual session of the State Grange of California convened at Asilomar, Monterey County, October 17, 1922, and was opened in the Fifth Degree by Worthy Master Geo. R. Harrison, at 11 o'clock A. M.

The A. W. was taken up by Assistant Steward Stanley B. Smith, and Lady Assistant Steward, Mrs. Grace Biggs, assisted by Miss Winifred Gordon of Bellevue Grange and Robert Schulz of Orchard City Grange.

Mrs. Alice Harrison of Sebastopol Grange, acting as Chaplain pro tem, invoked the Divine blessing upon the meeting.

Mrs. Carrie I. Hooper of Petaluma Grange, presided at the piano, and the Grange sang "America."

The Assistant Steward and Lady Assistant Steward retired and introduced Mr. and Mrs. H. Hewitt of Elk Grove Grange, Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Graham of Forestville Grange, James B. Nesbit of Happy Camp Grange, and Arthur Jones of Bogus Grange, who were obligated and instructed in the Fifth Degree.

The Roll of Officers was called. Those present were Master, George R. Harrison; Overseer, H. A. Craig; Lecturer, Geo. Sehlmeyer; Steward, A. C. Williams; Assistant Steward, Stanley B. Smith; Treasurer, M. Farrel; Secretary, Mrs. Martha L. Gamble; Gate Keeper, C. F. Van Maren; Ceres, Mrs. Lulu C. Eipper; Pomona, Mrs. W. L. Kleaver; Flora, Mrs. Ella C. Braughler; Lady Assistant Steward, Mrs. Grace Biggs.

The Roll of Granges was called. Delegates from the following Granges responded: American River, Bellevue; Bennett Valley, Beswick, Bogus, Community, Danville, Dinuba, Elk Grove, Elkhorn, Forestville, Fort Romie, Gazelle, Geyserville, Greenhorn, Guenoc, Happy Camp, Hornbrook, Mountain View, Orchard City, Potter Valley, Sacramento, San Jose, Santa Rosa, Scott Valley, Tulare, Two Rock, Upper Valley, Valley Oaks, Visalia, Monterey Co., Pomona, Sacramento County, Pomona, Santa Clara County Pomona, Siskiyou County Pomona, Sonoma County Pomona and Tulare County Pomona.

The Worthy Master appointed the following committees:

Credentials—W. V. Griffith, L. F. Biggs, H. C. Davis, Mrs. Alice Williams, Miss Mary More.

Division of Labor—Peter Hanson, Roy Church, J. G. Newman, Mrs. Ida Clendening, Mrs. Alice Abbott.

Resolutions—E. C. Abbott, E. T. Pettit, W. E. Stewart, Mrs. Anna Gerrells, Mrs. Jennie Dudgeon.

Fifth and Sixth Degree—A. Van Maren, F. S. Clifton, Joseph Bone, Miss Fannie Gamble, Mrs. Nettie Holmes.

Press-H. G. Keesling, Miss Winifred Gordon.

Pomona Feast—Thomas Jacob, Frank L. Hunt, J. H. La Rue, J. L. Goatley, Mrs. Chas. Weidersheim, Mrs. Maggie Turner.

Finance—J. L. Goatley, J. H. La Rue, B. E. Walker, Mrs. Kate Wood, Mrs. Lois Craig.

Memorial—C. L. Peterson, Mary L. Church, Mrs. A. Van Maren, Miss Harriet Pettit, Mrs. Alice Harrison.

Mileage and Per Diem—Granville Libby, Stanley B. Smith, Chas. Weidersheim, Mrs. Inez Spannaus.

Juvenile Granges—Mrs. Alice Williams, Mrs. Blanche B. Sides, Miss Winifred Gordon, Mrs. A. Van Maren, Mrs. Kate Wood.

The Worthy Master read the list of Standing Committees.

There being no further business to consider in the Fifth

Degree, the Worthy Master declared the Grange closed in the Fifth and opened in the Fourth Degree.

The Worthy Master requested the Assistant Steward to present to him Past State Masters W. V. Griffith, E. T. Pettit, Joseph Holmes and Frank L. Hunt. The Worthy Master welcomed the Past Masters and introduced them to the members in turn. Bros. Griffith, Pettit, Holmes and Hunt acknowledged the introduction of the Worthy Master, and addressed the members very fittingly.

A recess of a few minutes was declared, during which Miss Johnson, Managing Secretary of the Y. W. C. A., and Mrs. Baldwin, one of the National Directors of the Association, spoke a few words of greeting and of explanation of the aims and object of the Young Women's Christian Association, and the advantages Asilomar expects to give the young women belonging to the Association.

When Grange was called to order, Bro. Pettit moved that we take a recess until 2 o'clock P .M. The motion carried.

AFTERNOON

Grange was called to order at 2:15 P. M.

Sr. Hanson of Bennett Valley Grange was conducted to the station of the Master and introduced to the members as the oldest Charter Member of any Grange in the State.

Sr. Spannaus, Master of Beswick Grange and Bro. Jones, Master of Bogus Grange, were introduced as representatives of the baby Granges of the State.

Bro. H. G. Keesling asked for the appointment of a committee on Home Beautification, and made a motion to that effect. The motion carried. The Worthy Master stated that he would appoint the committee later.

Bro. Eipper, on behalf of the committee on Order of Business, made a partial report and moved its adoption. It was so ordered.

Bro. J. N. Watt of Sacramento Grange, moved that there be but one roll call of Granges for Subordinate Master's

reports, and that those not presented at that time be handed to the Secretary without reading. The motion was lost.

A partial report of the Credentials Committee was read by Past Master Griffith. On motion of Bro. Hanson the report was adopted.

Reports of Officers being next in order, Worthy Master Harrison read his annual address as follows:

MASTER'S ADDRESS

Officers and Members of California State Grange in 50th Annual Convention Assembled:

We have assembled here among these beautiful trees, overlooking the broad Pacific, in one of the strong agricultural counties of this great State of ours, a county with its great stock and dairying interests, sugar industry as well as ripened grain to furnish food for man and beast, and near a city that has the honor of being the first capital of the State, besides possessing many other historical and attractive places too numerous to mention. They have also fine churches and schools with two of the six Granges in the county owning their own halls.

We have not come here merely for recreation or pastime, but for hard work; to review the work of the past, work out the problems of the present and plan work for the future. In the years past we have met in various parts of our State from Siskiyou county to Tulare county, and all have been very interesting sessions, but I doubt if any of the many meeting places were any more favorable for a successful session than the present one where there is nothing to disturb our deliberations but the songs of the birds and the roar of the breakers upon the rocks, and I feel that when we return to our homes, we can report to our respective Granges that a great deal of good has been accomplished here.

This year the agriculturalist has had many problems to work out; our fruit growers have had an unusual number of posts to contend with and have had to use every possible remedy to combat and eradicate them. The cold weather of last winter and spring was unusually severe on the citrus fruits and nuts, and also on some of the de-

ciduous fruits as well as berries. The railroad strike had a most disastrous effect on the shipping of our apples, berries, grapes, cantaloupes, eggs, poultry, etc. We also suffered loss from the effects of the coal strike, as the striking miners were not in a position to purchase our produce and many were unable to buy the necessities of life for their families.

But there has been a bright s'de as well as a dark side. We have no epidemics of a serious nature, nor any calamities. Some of the great questions that are continually confronting us have not been settled as we think they should have been, yet we believe things are being rapidly adjusted and that there are better and brighter days ahead.

CONDITION OF THE ORDER

When I took the master's station one year ago, the grange was in a healthy and growing condition under the able leadership of Brother Frank L. Hunt and his corps of able officers.

There are various reasons why our membership has not increased to a greater extent. One was the financial and unsettled condition of our country; some members have been drawn away by other farm organizations, and I am sorry to say it, but the indifference of some of the Grange members toward our order is the cause, in some cases. Notwithstanding all this, our membership has increased.

During the year the organization of New Granges has not moved along as I was in hopes it would. We have two new Granges, Beswick No. 396 and Bogus No. 397. With one or two more good organizers to go into some of the counties which have only one or two Granges or none at all, I believe we might get several that we otherwise would not get and I hope that the State Grange will see fit to use some of its funds for extension work. There are a few of our Granges that are not doing all that I think they should to keep up the interest and increase their membership, but I sincerely hope that all will strive to make the coming year the best ever.

NATIONAL GRANGE VISITORS

One of the pleasing events of the year was when the Sonoma County Granges entertained the Officers, Dele-

gates and Visitors of the National Grange on November 28th, as they passed through California on their return from the National Grange at Portland, Oregon.

They were met at Petaluma by the members of Petaluma and Two Rock Granges, assisted by the Petaluma Chamber of Commerce, with automobiles, and shown about that city, visiting some of the large hatcheries also some of the large poultry ranches near by, after which they were taken to Santa Rosa, where they called at the Luther Burbank home and were each introduced to Mr. Burbank, to which he responded in a very pleasing manner. They were then taken to the Grange Hall where a reception and dinner was served. The visitors returned to San Francisco late in the afternoon.

Their visit was greatly appreciated by the Patrons of Sonoma County, our one regret being that their time was so limited.

FIELD MEETINGS

You will remember that last year Brother Hunt, in his address, urged the holding of Field Meetings in various parts of the State. This year there has been two held. The first was at Sebastopol, g'ven by the Sonoma County Granges, and was a success, and the Sonoma County Patrons have voted unanimously to continue the holding of them in that county. Another was held in Monterey County, which I understand was quite successful.

I would suggest that the different counties begin early to plan for a Field Meeting in their County next spring or summer. In this way we will not only be helping the order by getting the members together but by the publicity it gives by holding such meetings.

There have been several Grange picnics held, two of which I wish to mention, one given in Elk Grove by Sacramento County Grange, which was very successful, some 4,000 people attending, and the other given by Bennett Valley Grange No. 16, that being their 49th annual picnic held in commemoration of the organization of their Grange

on May 27th, 1873. This was largely attended by Sonoma County Patrons.

GRANGE HALLS

In my visits to the various Granges throughout the State I find many owning their own halls. Many of these are among our strongest and most progressive Granges.

On August 19th I had the pleasure and honor of dedicating one of the finest and most complete Grange halls in the State, to-wit: Aromas Grange No. 361. There was a large and very enthus stic company present on that occasion and all showed their appreciation in the enterprise of Aromas Grange. The people of Aromas are very proud of this addition to their community. Too much praise cannot be given to Brother and Sister Blohm for their tireless work to get this hall. I hope that before we meet in annual session again that the master can report several new halls in the State,

NATIONAL GRANGE SESSION

It was with a great deal of pleasure that Mrs. Harrison and I attended the National Grange Convention at Portland, Oregon, and I had the pleasure of meeting and working with the officers and members of that great body.

I also wish to speak of and to show our appreciation of the whole-hearted brotherly love and hospitality shown every delegate and visitor by the city of Portland and the members of the order, both in Oregon and Washington.

Among the many pleasant things done for our entertainment and benefit I will only speak of a few. The first was a splendid reception to every visitor, whether delegate or not, given by the Agricultural Department of the Chamber of Commerce of the city of Portland, where we were welcomed by the Governor of Oregon, and a representative of the Mayor, and many prominent citizens also extended us a welcome.

They also tendered us a boat ride down the Williamette river to the Columbia river and then up that river as far as Vancouver, Washington, where we were entertained by the Clark County, Washington, Patrons. On our way up the river we stopped and inspected what is known as Terminal No. 4, a large co-operative warehouse, where the farmers of the upper Columbia store some of their grain. They were, at that time, engaged in loading a large ocean steamer bound for the Orient.

Another pleasant trip was to Corvallis, the home of the Agricultural College of Oregon, the second largest in the United States. Among the many points of interest it was my pleasure to visit the live stock department and have explained to us the different tested processes for the best results in dairying as well as the growing and fattening of stock.

Much good resulted from that session of the National Grange.

I have received many letters commending the work and the stand taken on some of the great questions of the day. I will briefly give a few of the things which were adopted at that time.

- 1. Conservation of bird life.
- 2. Voted \$1,000 for Near East relief.
- 3. Decency in moving picture shows.
- 4. Encouragement and promotion of public schools.
- 5. Enforcement of prohibition laws.
- 6. Producers and Consumers Co-operative Association.
- 7. Pay as you go policy of state and national government.
- 8. Opposing government guarantee of earnings of private industry.
 - 9. Opposed sale tax.
- 10. Opposed to bogus or filled milk.
- 11. Against excessive expenditures of money on elections.

I feel that one of the things deserving special mention is our Washington office and the splendid work of Brother T. C. Atkeson. Words fail to express the value of his efforts towards legislation favorable to the farmer.

MASTERS' CONFERENCE

Worthy National Master, Sherman J. Lowell, called a conference of State Masters to meet in Syracuse, New York, July 28-29. Twenty-six State Masters were present, also a

representative from Virginia and North Carolina. Many important questions were taken up and discussed and much good resulted from this conference.

NATIONAL GRANGE BENEFIT

One of the matters of considerable importance taken up and endorsed at the Masters' Conference was the National Grange Benefit or Life Insurance, whereby for \$1.80 a member is insured for one year to the amount of \$150.00. No medical examination or red tape. I hope th's State Grange indorses this plan and that every member in California takes advantage of this insurance.

GRANGE FRATERNAL FIRE INSURANCE

One item of great importance to every porperty owner is our Grange F're Insurance. Here is where our great order is helping its farmer members by furnishing a much cheaper insurance than they otherwise can get, and I hope as many as can will take advantage of this.

JUBILEE YEAR

I wish to call attention to the fact that the Californ'a State Grange will celebrate its 50th annual session this year, and I hope that the State Lecturer, Brother Schlmeyer, will have something special for that occasion, and that all will enter heartily into this part of the program.

We should pause and look back over the many achievements of the Grange, the good that has been accomplished for both its members and the country at large. Every community that has a Grange has one very valuable asset, and most communities point with pride to their Grange.

Our work is not merely to help ourselves, but while we are helping ourselves we should strive to make life's pathway brighter for our neighbor, and by so doing we will help them, not only financially, but in every avenue of life, in

fact, our whole State has been benefitted and made better by the work of the Grange.

CAPITAL AND LABOR

One of the greatest problems confronting the American people, and especially the American farmer, is to get the differences between capital and labor properly adjusted.

We have just passed through one of the most disastrous periods the California farmer has ever experienced, caused by the long continued strike of the miners and the railroad employees. We were unable to move our produce when ready, and as much of it was of a perishable nature, the farmers' loss was naturally heavy. The fact of the men being out of employment so long reduced their buying to a minimum. I hope this State Grange will offer some remedy whereby the employer and the employee may be brought closer together.

LAW ENFORCEMENT

As patrons of husbandry we are all proud of the fact that our Granges, from the smallest subordinate to the National, have always stood for law and order, and the support of the government in every time of testing; an appeal to the Patrons has always been an appeal to cool, well balanced, thoughtful patriotism. With full knowledge of this proud record of the past, I am confidently counting on this State Grange to put itself back of every law on our statute books, and every article of our federal constitution. This means that unless we are to prove recreant to the heritage handed down from our Grange forebears, we put ourselves on record as defending the 18th Amendment and the Volstead Act, and pledge ourselves to support the Wright law which will appear on the November ballot as Amendment No. 2, and is designed to put California in line with practically all the other states in the Union looking to honest and just law enforcement.

LEGISLATION

With the ever increasing number of automobiles on our roads and highways, traveling at night loses a great deal of its pleasure on account of the very strong lights used on many autos. Travel could be made much pleasanter

and safer if some dimming law was in force. I therefore recommend that this State Grange take a stand for, and urge our legislators, to enact some law similar to the one now in force in Oregon.

NATIONAL GRANGE MONTHLY

One of the greatest helps to the patron is the National Grange Monthly. Whenever and wherever it appears it brings a bright ray of sunshine with it. Why? Because it has so many contributing to it. Every article carries inspiration with it. I cannot understand why it is not in every Grange home. And now with the splendid offer it is making I am sure every Patron will want it. That one article in the September number entitled, "The Greatest Achievement of Them All," by Dr. T. C. Atkison, also Bro. Lowell's article entitled, "Waking Up the Country," and many other letters are each worth the price of the paper for one year.

Too much praise cannot be given to Bro. Chas. M. Gardner, managing editor, for his tireless efforts to give us such a splendid paper. Let every Grange family show its appreciation of his effots by sending in a subscription to him, and you will never regret it.

JUVENILE GRANGES

There is a growing demand for the juvenile Grange. Many years ago there were two organized in this State and both have failed, so I hope that some plan will be worked or at this session of the State Grange whereby we may have something to present to any Grange that wishes to have a Juvenile Grange in connection with its own, as I believe the Juvenile Grange will be of great value, not only to the various subordinate Granges but to the children comprising the Grange.

Our children are soon to take our places and their work in the Juvenile Grange will fit them, not only to take up the work where we lay it down, but will prepare them for greater usefulness along other lines, as its educational value cannot be estimated.

GRANGE VACATION

A Grange vacation if it could be planned as to time and location, so that more of our members could take advantage

of it, would, I think, be an ideal vacation, but unfortunately it seems to be a hard thing to work so that a good percentage of the membersh'p can attend.

I am inclined to think that perhaps the members in two or more counties could get together at a much less expense, and a great saving of time and travel, and in that way more of the members could get out and enjoy themselves than they can by one general vacation.

IN MEMORIAM

This year, as in previous years, there will be missing from our Grange family some who have labored with us in these annual sessions. Some will be kept away for various reasons. Others have been called to that great Grange above, where we shall all some day be called.

A most beautiful custom has been handed down to us, that we pause for a time from our labors and pay our respects to the memory of those who have gone.

I trust that this Grange will follow this most established custom, and to that end ask our Worthy Chaplain to arrange for appropriate services.

IN CONCLUSION

We cannot afford to be satisfied with the conquests already won, and the advancements that have been made through the influence of our noble order, in making farm life more worth the living, but we must work for still further advancement until we can demonstrate to the world at large that we are what we claim to be—the greatest organization known, that has for its object not only the betterment of agricultural conditions, and the creation of a better manhood and womanhood among ourselves, but the uplift and benefit of humanity in the world at large.

Perplexing problems are continually arising that not only affect the interests of agriculture but the happiness and contentment of our fellow citizens engaged in other occupations, and it is for the Grand Order of Patrons of Husbandry to do its share in the settlement of these important questions, to the end that agriculture may not only receive its just reward, but that we regard the rights and interests of

others. This will require our best thought and earnest effort. May we faithfully perform the labors devolving upon us.

Brothers and Sisters, let me urge you to labor diligently for the good of our order. Let this be a most harmonious session full of good works.

The eyes of the nation are watching the work of the Grange. Let us measure up to the high standard that is expected of us as "Patrons of Husbandry."

Fraternally submitted

GEO. R. HARRISON.

Master.

On motion of Bro. Libby, seconded by Bro. ..esbit, the Master's Address was referred to the committee on Division of Labor.

Worthy Overseer, Bro. H. A. Craig, offered the following report which was accepted:

OVERSEER'S REPORT

To the Officers and Members of California State Grange:

It is difficult to tell what the duties of an Overseer of the State Grange are when the State Grange is not in session, unless it is to stay at home and mind his own business. If this is his duty I wish to report, I have performed my duty faithfully. I have done even more than that, I watched the actions of the State Master while he was in Siskiyou County, and when he attended the National Grange at Portland in 1921, and I wish to state "he is full of pep." He and Sister Harrison visited the ten Subordinate Granges and the Siskiyou County Pomona Grange in nine days, which meant, in many cases, that they were up most the night and driving every day, and every Grange visited was much benefited by their words of encouragement and instruction. At the National Grange they were certainly a credit to our State Grange.

Much credit is due to our young Deputy, W. Halbert Smith, for the interest he is trying to create as he goes from Grange

to Grange, and for the work he is doing organizing new, and reorganizing old Granges.

Your humble servant brings greetings from the Granges of Siskiyou County to this golden jubilee session of California State Grange.

Respectfully submitted,

H. A. CRAIG.

Overseer of California State Grange.

Bro. Sehlmeyer, Worthy Lecturer, read his report, which was, on motion of Bro. Watt, referred to the committee on Division of Labor.

LECTURER'S REPORT

To the Officers and Members of California State Grange:

In presenting this, my first annual report to the State Grange as lecturer, I have been actuated only by my desire to call the attention of the State Grange to those things which I believe are essential to the advancement of the Order, and the improvement of lecture work in California.

During the past year the lecturers of the various Granges have been, as a rule, faithful in their work, and have, I believe, tried conscientiously to bring about satisfactory results in their respective Granges.

Lecturers' Conference

At the beginning of this term two new movements in Grange activities in this State were inaugurated by this office, namely: that every Pomona lecturer should call a quarterly conference of the subordinate lecturers within their respective Counties, believing that such a meeting would result in greater co-operation in Lecture work.

Field Day Meetings

A movement for Field Day Meetings was also started. Two counties, Monterey and Sonoma, held such meetings with considerable success, considering that the movement was new in California.

Your lecturer is hoping to extend these meetings during the coming year. Field Day meetings have proven successful in Eastern States and I believe that they can be made so in California.

Publicity

There is no means by which I can judge this year's publicity with former work of this character, but I have found that nearly all lecturers have given accounts of Grange meetings to the local press. I would recommend, however, that some form of publication be established by the State Grange. I would suggest that a quarterly bulletin be issued, giving accounts of Grange activities, and the action the Grange may have taken on questions of public interest. This may require some funds, but I believe a publication sent from the State Grange not only to Grange members, but to farmers in communities where there are prospects of a new Grange would greatly assist the extension work.

I believe that if a system of interchange of farm products could be worked out it would be of inestimable value to the Granges of California.

The part of this report referring to publicity would be incomplete without mention of the Napa Grange Bulletin, that strudy ilttle publication which brings so much news to the Granges of the State.

It seems that in matters pertaining to the Department of Agriculture of the State University, there seems to be little support from farm organizations. I would recommend that a committee on Agricultural Education be appointed, in addition to the regular committee on education, to make a study of this situation and report at the next annual meeting.

The Rural High School

Your Lecturer has always felt that the rural High School should have in its curriculum a finished course in order that the farmer's son or daughter, when graduating, shall have had the advantage of a completed course. In too many instances I regret to say the High Schools have been made only a stepping stone to a higher course of education.

I believe this report would be incomplete without mention of the excellent work being accomplished through the State Department of Agriculture under the able and energetic management of Geo. H. Hecke.

I believe that the State Grange should be represented at every meeting either at Berkeley or at meetings held by the Department of Agriculture whenever an invitation is extended to have a representative present.

In closing this report I wish to impress on the State Grange the need of aggression and constructive action. We must profit by mistakes as well as successes.

This year has closed, all hail the hereafter.

Fraternally,

GEO. SEHLMEYER.

A. C. Williams, Worthy Steward, and Stanley B. Smith, Assistant Steward, read their reports. The reports were accepted.

STEWARD'S REPORT

To the Officers and Members of California State Grange.

I find one of the duties of the Steward's office is to care for the property of the Grange used in the Grange room. This was turned over to me in splendid shape with the exception of the usual wear from the sessions' use.

With the consent of the Worthy Master and Bro. Thomas Jacob, the robes used by the Graces and the Officers collars, were cleaned at an expense of \$14.00.

Also, a suit case was purchased at a cost of \$7.50, the better to care for the robes used by the ladies.

Fraternally submitted,

A. C. WILLIAMS.

Steward.

ASSISTANT STEWARD'S REPORT

To the Officers and Members of California State Grange:

As your Assistant Steward, I am at the service of the Grange to help in whatever way that I can.

My desire is that I shall do my small part towards making this Grange Session the best one yet.

Fraternally submitted,

STANLEY B. SMITH.

Assistant Steward.

CHAPLAIN'S REPORT

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

Your Chaplain begs leave to submit for your consideration the following report:

I have as far as possible visited Granges within reasonable distance and have tried to lend encouragement and inspiration to our members in public addresses and private interview.

There is no department in Grange life that is of so great importance as that to which you have chosen me. There has been no period or time in the history of our Grange when there has been a greater need of emphasis being placed on the moral and religious aspects of private and public life of our members and the communities in which we live.

Our people and the country at large are upon a wave of unparalleled era of economic prosperity. This, while desirable, carries with it attendant dangers. For with the coming of material prosperity comes also a disposition to ease, levity and indulgence and the passing of that discipline in self control, self denial and economy, that has constantly reminded us of the God of all our welfare. We, with the children, have taken our places in the churches and Sunday schools of our neighborhoods. We have recognized that fundamentally life consisted not in the abundance of our possessions, but in character building, and in the fear and love of God. Now, with the coming of these better days in innumerable material advantages let us not forget God. For the sake of our children and our children's children, upon whom must ever depend the life of our beloved Grange, let us con-

tinue to walk the ways of God and sustain his temples of worship.

To this end I would recommend that we take active interest in the churches in the communities near us, and once a year plan for and hold a distinctively Grange service. This can not but bring untold good, and incidentally the Grange of our various communities will be that unifying agency to bring neighbors together as brethern, as well as bring the Grange and its splendid work prominently before the people as one of the leading factors in rural community welfare.

Wherever and whenever possible I shall be pleased to assist our Granges in such services. The annual memorial service will be held in the Chapel this evening. Suitable eulogies will be presented by loving friends and a suitable memorial address delivered by your Chaplain.

Respectfully submitted,

C. L. PETERSEN.

The report was accepted.

The Worthy Treasurer, M. Farrell and the Secretary Martha L. Gamble, submitted the following reports which were referred to the Finance Committee:

TREASURER'S REPORT

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

Your Treasurer submits the following report for the year 1922:

Received from the State Secretary, cash and paid	
warrants	\$3,184.63
Received from Thos. Jacob interest on note, \$250	5.00
Received from Miss Taggard interest	5.00
Received from Miss Taggard on account	60.00
Received from Bank, interest on general fund	102.05

Received from Bank, interest on educational fund Received from Bank, interest on bonds	7.70 93.51
Total receipts for 1922	\$3,457.89 4,157.09
Total disbursements for 1922	\$7,614.98 4,030.04
Balance for 1922	
Total in treasury Oct. 1, 1922	\$6,084.94

Warrant No. 134 for \$3.00 was not presented for payment.

Respectfully submitted.

MICHAEL FARRELL,

Treasurer California State Grange.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Worthy Master, Officers and Members:

As Secretary of California State Grange, I submit the following report of my office for the year ending Sept. 30, 1922.

While our growth in membership has not been large, still there has been a gain. The membership by counties is:

Contra Costa County, with one Grange	146	members
Lake County with one Grange	66	members
Mendocino County, with three Granges	323	members
Monterey County, with six Granges	518	members
Napa County, with three Granges	334	members
Placer County, with one Grange	48	members
Sacramento County, with six Granges	519	members
Santa Clara County, with three Granges	635	members
San Joaquin County, with one Grange		members
	1054	members
Sonoma County, with eight Granges	1111	members
Tulare County, with four Granges	225	members

A total membership of 5,002, a gain of 221 over last year. You will observe that Siskiyou County is the banner county in the number of Granges, but Sonoma County still maintains its lead in the number of members.

Sebastopol Grange is the largest Grange in the State, having 323 members. Mountain View with 299, and Orchard City with 242 come second and third.

We have seven Pomona Granges with a total membership of 1323, a gain of 210.

Two new Granges have been organized since our last meeting—Beswick and Bogus.

Grenada and Strawberry Valley Granges, after lying dormant all year, have been stirred into life by W. Halbert Smith, Deputy in Siskiyou County. We trust that they will grow and become a power for good in their respective communities.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Receipts

For quarterly dues\$	2,518.92
For fees	534.25
For merchandise	130.61
Miscellaneous (including interest)	274.11
Total\$	3,457.89
Disbursements	
Dues to National Grange\$	366.92
National Grange for Sixth Degree certificates	82.00
For organizing	25.00
For merchandise	135.44
Mileage, attending State Grange at Yreka	1,522.01
Inspection and visiting expenses	486.53
Salaries for Master, Lecturer and Secretary	500.00
Loan (Herbert Merwin)	125.00
Printing Jou rnals, Rosters and receipt books	211.20
Sundries	578.94
Total \$	4 033 04

Summary

Total receipts for dues, fees, mdse., and misc\$	3,254.63
Interest retained by Worthy Treasurer	
(1) On general fund\$102.05	
(2) On educational fund 7.70	
(3) On bonds 93.51	203.26
Total receipts\$	3,457.89
	4,157.09
	7,614.98
Disbursements\$	4,033.04
Balance in treasury Oct. 1, 1922\$	3,581.94
Total Assets	
In general fund\$	3,503.47
In educational fund	78.47
Liberty Bonds	2,500.00
Miss Taggard's note	190.00
Herbert Merwin's note	125.00
Grand Total\$	6.396.94

Fraternally submitted,

MARTHA L. GAMBLE.

Secretary.

C. F. Van Maren, Worthy Gate Keeper, Sr. Lulu C. Eipper, Worthy Ceres, Sr. Kleaver, Worthy Pomona, Sr. Ella C. Braughler, Worthy Flora and Sr. Grace Biggs, Worthy Lady Assistant Steward, read their reports. The reports were accepted.

GATE KEEPER'S REPORT

Worthy Master, Officers and Members of California State Grange:

It is with pleasure that I take up the duties of the office of Gate Keeper at this Session.

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I will endeavor to see that only those duly qualify enter the outer gate.

Respectfully submitted,

C. F. Van Maren,

Gate Keeper.

REPORT OF CERES

Worthy Master, Brothers and Sisters:

Another year has passed and once more Ceres greets you and bids you welcome to the annual Sess on of the California State Grange.

I have looked forward with great interest to this harvest time when the Patrons would all meet together in Asilomar and gather in the sheaves from the fields of labor, especially those of the farm and home.

Let us never forget the farm home but ever strive to elevate the character of the home, and in it exemplify the true principles of Faith, Hope and Charity.

Fraternally submitted,

LULU C. EIPPER.

POMONA'S REPORT

To the Officers and Members of the State Grange of California, Greetings:

Another cycle in the history of Grange activities in this great and glorious State of Cal'fornia has passed. Another bounteous harvest of fruits and field products has been garnered. The wonderful 'Autumnal season again is here when hills and vales present their gorgeous hues.

The omnipotent Creator has decreed that the ardent efforts of a well spent year are near a close, that we enjoy our well merited and much needed rest.

What can be more appropriate, and how can we be more subservient to His will than in outlining the activities of another year, and in enjoying this real Grangers' reception in this wonderful spot, "Asilomar by the Sea."

Fraternally submitted,

MRS. W. L. KLEAVER,

Pomona.

REPORT OF FLORA

Officers and Members of California State Grange:

Another year in the history of the Grange has been added to the never returning past and I now present for your consideration the required annual report of the office of Flora.

Although the dutics are not very arduous, the value and importance of what this office represents cannot be overestimated.

The love of flowers, trees and birds is one of the finest emotions of the human heart and should be encouraged in both young and old. What a desolate place would be this world without a flower. It would be like a face without a smile, a feast without a welcome!

Flowers, lovely productions of Nature's dainty handwork, are largely used for all ceremonial purposes. To the grief stricken they bring a loving message which the most wisely chosen words would fail to convey. Flowers have always held a prominent place in wedding ceremonies, and at the present day are very extensively used. Then there is the bridal bouquet, which is a very different thing from what it was in years gone by. It used to be a homely nosegay of mere country flowers—now it is composed of the scarcest and most costly flowers arranged in the most elaborate manner. The use of flowers in paying honors to the dead has been, from time immemorial, most widespread.

The great quantity of flowers required for ceremonial purposes of various kinds, no doubt promoted and encouraged a taste for horticulture even among uncultured tribes. Every country has adopted its own particular floral emblem. Plant language can boast of a world-wide and antique history. In fact, it has been said that the language of flowers is as old as the days of Adam.

Children are more or less observers of nature—frequently more so than their elders. They are naturally inquisitive and fond of having explained whatever seems in any way mysterious. There is a charm in the language of flowers and not only this may be taught them but myths and legends and folk lore and love of plants.

Tell them the pretty story of how the rose received its thorns; how the forget-me-not received its name. Point out the lovely human faces filled with the sweetness of remembrance that we find in the beautiful pansy bed, for there is no more innocent and no more gratifying source of enjoyment than intelligent interest in the beauties of nature.

Flowers are the terrestrial stars that bring down heaven to earth and carry up our thoughts from earth to heaven. The poetry of the Creator written in beauty and fragrance.

Fraternally submitted,

ELLA C. BRAUGHLER,

Flora.

LADY ASSISTANT STEWARD'S REPORT

To the Officers and Members of California State Grange:

I greet you heartily in this fiftieth annual meeting of our Noble Order, and as we gather here under these wonderful trees overlooking the mighty roaring ocean, it gives us an inspiration to accomplish much work.

It affords me great pleasure to have been elected your Lady Assistant Steward, and I will strive to perform the duties of the office to the best of my ability.

Hoping this will be a very enjoyable and profitable session.

Fraternally submitted,

GRACE B. BIGGS.

Roll call of Subordinate Granges and introduction of reso-

lutions without debate was next in order. Delegates from the following Granges read their reports: American River, Antelope, Aromas, Bellevue, Beswick, Danville, Dinuba, Dorris, Elk Grove, Elkhorn, Forestville, Gazelle, Geyserville, Greenfield, Greenhorn, Guenoc, Happy Camp, Hornbrook, Mountain View, Orange Vale, Orchard City, Potter Valley, Sacramento and San Jose,

The delegate from Happy Camp Grange introduced a resolution relating to the endorsement of the Wright Bill. The resolution was referred to the Committee on Legislation.

Bro. Watt of Sacramento Grange, introduced three resolutions—one relating to lubricating oils and one regarding Subordinate Master's reports—were referred to the Legislative Committee, the other, relating to the election of officers was referred to the Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

The Worthy Master appointed the committee on Home Beautification as follows: Sr. S. E. Wood of Danville Grange, Sr. Nett'e Holmes of Sacramento Grange; Sr. Jessie C. McChesney of Orchard City Grange; Sr. W. L. Kleaver of Greenhorn Grange; Sr. Hazel Newman of Potter Valley Grange and Sr. Ella C. Braughler of Sacramento Grange.

Bro. Libby asked permission to make a motion out of order. Permission being given, Bro. Libby moved that a letter be sent to Sr. Nellie W. Hunt, Sr. Emily B. Jacob, Bro. and Sr. Walter Church and Sr Kate D. Hill expressing regret at their inability to be present at this meeting. Motion carried.

After considerable discussion, a motion was made and carried that the speakers on the Water and Power Act be allowed 30 minutes each for debate, and the affirmative five minutes extra for rebuttal.

Bro. Hewitt introduced a resolution relating to the bill Regulating the Practice of Law. It was referred to the Legislative Committee.

A proposed "Act" to protect the soil within the State of California was referred to the Legislative Committee,

as was also a communication asking the endorsement of this Grange of Ch'ropractic Initiative Bill No. 16.

Grange was closed in regular form.

EVENING

A reception tendered by citizens of Pacific Grove and the Patrons of Monterey County was held in Social Hall.

SECOND DAY-WEDNESDAY

Grange was called to order at 9:10 A. M., and opened in the Fourth Degree.

The A. W. was taken up by the Assistant Stewards, assisted by Sr. Florence Miller and Bro. Frank Biggs.

Opening song-"The Wid Bird."

Roll call of officers found all the officers present.

The Credentials Committee made a further partial report to the effect that delegates from the following Granges were present: Antelope, Aromas, Orange Vale, Napa, Sebastopol, Petaluma, Greenfield, Dorris, Silverado, Napa-Lake County Pomona.

Minutes of the previous day's session were read and approved.

Bro. Sehlmeyer stated that Senator Hiram Johnson would be passing through San Jose, and suggested that he be invited to visit the Grange.

Bro. Abbott moved that the Worthy Lecturer be instructed to invite Senator Johnson to visit this Grange some time in the afternoon. Carried.

Bro. Keesling, having been granted permission, made the following statement out of order. Bro. Keesling said that he had been called on the phone by the Associated Press of San Francisco and that they would take one hundred words da'ly of the proceedings of this meeting. As a further means of giving the Grange more publicity, Bro. Keesling

requested the delegates to send a daily letter to their home papers.

Roll call of Granges continued. The following reported: Santa Rosa, Scott Valley, Sebastopol, Silverado.

Recess was declared until 11:15 for the purpose of listening to a debate on the Water and Power Act by Mayor Bartlett of Berkeley in the affirmative, and Allison B. Ware of Chico, in the negative.

The debate proved both interesting and instructive.

On motion of Bro. J. G. Newman, a rising vote of thanks was given the speakers.

Grange again called to order at 11:40 A. M.

Reports of Granges resumed, the following reporting: Tulare, Two Rock, Upper Valley, Valley Oaks, Sacramento County Pomona, Santa Clara County Pomona, Siskiyou County Pomona, Sonoma County Pomona, Tulare County Pomona, Bennett Valley, Community.

Sacramento County Pomona Grange introduced a resolution commending the efforts of G. H. Hecke, under whose able management the Agricultural Department has become the leading factor in the progress of agriculture. It was referred to the Legislative Committee.

Recess was declared until 1:30 P. M.

AFTERNOON

Grange was called to order at 1:40 P. M.

Song-"Merrily Sing," the Grange.

The Committee on Order of Business made a further partial report which was adopted.

Delegates from Bogus, Edgewood, Fort Romie, Napa, Petaluma, Visalia and Monterey County Pomona submitted reports for said Granges.

A resolution from Fort Romie Grange relating to the Wright Bill, and one endorsing Chiropractic Bill, No. 16, on

the November ballot, were referred to the Leg'slative Committee.

A resolution from Petaluma Grange approving of a bill known as House Bill No. 12,169, and intended to supercede the temporary 3 per cent. alien restriction law, was also referred to the Committee on Legislation.

Worthy Caplain, C. L. Peterson, read his report. The report was accepted.

Song-"Help It On," sung by the Grange.

Deputies reports were called for. Deputies Geo. Sehlmeyer, Miss Fannie L. Gamble, W. Halbert Smith, J. G. Newman and A. C. Williams read the'r reports as follows:

DEPUTY GAMBLE'S REPORT

Worthy Master, Officers and Members of California State Grange:

Herewith is submitted my report as Deputy for Sonoma County.

Owing to this being the home County of our State Master Br. Harrison, and his interest and numerous visits to the various Granges, my duties have been light.

All the granges in the County are very harmonious and working together in a splendid manner.

The first "Field Meet" in the State was held in this County and was a success.

The reception given by the County to 100 members of the National Grange, on their return from Portland, was a very enjoyable affair.

I have attended every Pomona Grange meeting, and visited every Grange in the County except one, arranged the floor work and assisted in conferring the Fifth Degree; also assisted in the same manner when Sonoma County Pomona conferred the Fifth Degree for the Napa-Lake Pomona, at Napa, where all the guests were royally entertained. I

recommend a School of Instruction to be held in each Grange, or at least in each County, once each year.

While no new Granges have been organized, the membership in the County has grown.

Fraternally submitted,

FANNIE L. GAMBLE, Deputy.

DEPUTY SMITH'S REPORT

To Brother George R. Harrison, Master California State Grange:

In submitting my report as your deputy in Siskiyou County, I am sincere in saying that I have received much enjoyment out of the installation, inspection and organizing work that I have done since the last State Grange session, as well as the useful experience that I have met with.

After the installation work in January, I did not have much time to devote to Grange work until after harvest although I visited many Grange meetings throughout the County during that time, merely for the pelasure of meeting the many loyal Patrons of Siskiyou. I can truly state that yours and Sister Harrison's visit to our County last June will never be forgotten and that the instructions you gave have been heeded by all.

I left home on August 25 with a desire to organize a Grange at Beswick, Siskiyou County. I called a meeting for the next night and organized Beswick Grange, No. 396, with 32 charter members. Brother Granville Libby was with me on this occasion and rendered his assistance. The following Wednesday evening, August 30, I called a meeting at the Bogus school house and organized Bogus Grange, No. 397, with 31 charter members. I think both of these new Granges will have delegates at this session.

Special credit is extended to the officers and other members of Hornbrook Grange, No. 391, who exemplified the degree work in a very acceptable manner, for the two new Granges and the real Grange spirit that they showed, some of them driving forty miles to be present.

Early in September I began the inspection work and found

all of the Granges that I inspected in an excellent condition. I did not inspect Edgewood Grange as they did not meet the only night that I could be with them. Some of the Patrons of that Grange informed me later that they are making different arrangements for a meeting place and expect to have better meetings in the future.

With the able assistance of Worthy State Overseer, Brother H. A. Craig, and other active Patrons, I have reorganized Strawberry Valley and Grenada Granges. Out of the five new Granges that Brother Craig organized last year, there was only one that had to be reorganized. We now have twelve subordinate Granges in Siskiyou County with an estimated membership of over one thousand one hundred, and a Pomona Grange with between four and five hundred members.

Each subordinate Grange arranged a booth at our County Fair this year and had some very fine exhibits. The Granges were competing for a large silver trophy which was awarded to Hornbrook Grange for the best exhibit.

Hornbrook Grange will have stronger competition next year at the Fair, I am sure.

Brother Craig mentioned in his report last year of the work being done on the survey of the proposed Shasta Klamath Irrigation Project, and I am pleased to report at this session that the preliminary survey has been completed and the project declared feasible. Should this project ever be developed, there will be room for many more Granges in Siskiyou County.

Our Pomona Grange holds its regular meeting every two months and then we are pressed for time to get through with all the business in one day. The Pomona Grange met last with Scott Valley and Upper Valley Granges on Saturday, October 7th, at the Scott Valley Grange Hall in Greenview, between one and two hundred members being present.

This is the Golden Jubilee Meeting of the California State Grange, which has strived for the advancement and betterment of our communities for fifty long years, and let us strive to make this session the most pleasant and profitable one ever held. Last year we met almost at the foot of Mount Shasta and this year on the beach by the Pacific

ocean, there being quite a difference in elevation between the two conventions.

I can safely vouch for the one thousand one hundred loyal Patrons of Siskiyou County, that we are all anxiously awaiting the day when we may again entertain the California State Grange in our banner County of Siskiyou.

Fraternally submitted,

W. HALBERT SMITH,

Deputy Master.

DEPUTY NEWMAN'S REPORT

Worthy Master, as your Deputy in the north coast section

I beg leave to submit the following:

It has been my opportunity during the space of the last year to get a closer insight into the workings of the Grange in general and to learn what its individual members think of it in particular.

Most Patrons think of the Grange as a delightful social institution, as an educational opportunity of much importance, and as a community factor of no slight consequence, whether they see in it one of the saving forces of the nation is exceedingly doubtful.

The Grange is the biggest single factor that is today keeping up courage in the rural people. Terminate for all time the helpful, inspiring influence that 8,000 subordinate Granges constantly exert and you would strike a death blow to American Agriculture.

Never has a greater responsibility rested upon the organization to proclaim wise counsel, because there never was a time when its pronouncements were so influential. The influence of the Grange as a national factor has grown very rapidly since the opening of permanent legislative quarters at Washington.

We farmers are much alive. Today we have a representative in the Cabinet, and are asking for recognition on the Federal Reserve Board, and also representation on

the Tariff Commission. Our interests are large and are widely extended and must ever be watched and guarded wisely.

We are asking for no end of relief from our government and justly asking it, but let us not forget that our strength lies in our individual efforts welded into one strong coperative movement which has as its goal the development of the future citizenry for this country.

Fraternally subm'tted,

J. G. NEWMAN, Deputy.

DEPUTY WILLIAMS' REPORT

To the Officers and Members of California State Grange:

As District Deputy of Tulare County I am pleased to submit the following general report:

The Granges of this section, with one exception, have greatly improved the present year, both in general efficiency and by adding new members to their rolls.

The Grange referred to as making no advancement yet is in a good substantial condition and the members have great confidence in its future.

At the first meeting of the Pomona Grange after returning home from the State Grange last year, a motion carried offering a bonus to each Subordinate Grange that would confer all the Grange degrees without the use of the manual and to the satisfaction of an inspector.

Two of the Granges took advantage of this offer, and I am pleased to say conferred the degrees in a most creditable manner and were awarded the prize.

As to new Granges, the farm bureal in this section seems to appeal more strongly than the Grange, and I am of the opinion that this is largely due to the fact that the farm bureau has a trained organizer in the field, calling the producer's attention to the interest of the bureau, which gives that interest an advantage over the Grange.

I would favor a movement of this kind for the Grange,

at a reasonable cost. If the proper person could be secured, there is no question that it would be money well spent.

Fraterna'ly submitted,

A. C. WILLIAMS.

DEPUTY EIPPER'S REPORT

Worthy Master:

As Deputy of Monterey County, I must report that I have not made progress as far as organizing new Granges, but have been sowing seeds of good fellowship and fraternity and am looking forward for the harvest time.

I have visited all but one of the Granges and found all doing good work.

This meeting of the California State Grange in Monterey County will surely be an inspiration to the Patrons of this County, and I feel that all will have a renewed interest in the order and the labors as Patrons of Husbandry.

·Fraternally submitted,

LULU C. EIPPER.

DEPUTY SEHLMEYER'S REPORT

To the Officers and Members of California State Grange:

In presenting this report on Grange conditions in my district, I find there has not been any material change in the activities of our Order in Sacramento County, some of the Granges are exceptionally strong, and others are not so strong.

Regarding Grange inspection, only three Granges in Sacramento County were inspected this year, namely: Sacramento, Valley Oaks and Elk Grove. Elk Grove Grange was inspected by Bro. M. T. Hunt.

I believe the present system of inspection does not bring about the results desired. If a fraternal visit of instruction were made each year I believe that it would be much more helpful to the Subordinate Grange than an inspection, Placer County, I think, is a good field for extension work, and I hope that extension work generally will be vigorously carried forward during 1923.

Fraternally submitted,

GEO. SEHLMEYER, Deputy.

The reports were accepted.

Deputies E. K. Clendening and H. L. Gunn made verbal reports.

The report of the Executive Committee, which consisted of the minutes of the several meetings of the Committee was read by the Secretary.

A partial report of the Committee on Division of Labor, was read and accepted.

Bro. S. L. Stice, Chairman of the Good Roads Committee, read a partial report and asked that it be referred to the Legislative Committee. It was so ordered.

Bro. C. L. Petersen, Worthy Chaplain, introduced a resolution as follows, and moved its adoption. The resolution was adopted.

Whereas: The Grange represents so large a constituency of rural life of the State of California, and this constituency expects and has a right to expect definite, progressive and constructive action on the part of this State Assembly on all vital matters which have to do with their economic welfare,

Whereas: The farmers of this State of California have suffered, running into many, many millions of dollars, conservatively estimated at from \$20,000,000.00 to \$30,000,000.00 in total loss of crops, in damage due to faulty and delayed transportation and consequent decrease of price received,

Wheeras: We believe that to every labor and capital contention, the third party, viz: the suffering public, representing the overwhelming proportion of our national population has no means of protection or redress. Regardless of

the time, condition, or far reaching consequences involved, these strikes are called with impunity, and with equal impunity resisted by capital.

Whereas: However settlement may be made, labor, capital and the public, all have lost irreparably and will continue to suffer far reaching consequences impossible to estimate,

Whereas: We believe that the State of Kansas, by her Industrial Courts, furnishes for us a bas's for constructive legislation to be applied on a national scale, solving in the only rational and democratic way these ever recurring industrial disputes.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: That this State Grange of California register its protest to the National Grange, requesting that action be taken, intended to provoke National Legislation that will give guarantee of protection to our agricultural interests and the buying public.

The hour having arrived for the meeting of the Grange Fraternal Fire Insurance Association, the regular business of the Grange was suspended.

The Secretary of the Fire Insurance Association reported as follows:

THE GRANGE FRATERNAL FIRE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION

SECRETARY'S REPORT

The Grange Fraternal Fire Insurance Association was organized in 1916 under a special act of the Legislature permitting secret fraternal orders to establish and conduct Mutual Fire Insurance Associations for the benefit of its members.

The Association began issuing policies on May 1st, 1916, with \$100,000 insurance subscribed by sixty Grange members in different parts of the State. The Association has proved a great success and the business has steadily grown until we now have Oct. 7, 1922, a total amount of \$454,746.00 insurance on the books, carried by about 210 members, several of whom hold from two to five policies.

The total amount of premiums received and turned into

the treasury has been \$8,162.29, and to this has been added \$623.57 received as interest, making a total of \$8,785.86; and the total expended for all purposes has been \$1,266.19, leaving a balance in the treasury, Oct. 1, 1922, of \$7,519.67.

The rates are just about half of that of old board companies, and our fire losses to the present time have been only \$150.35. This speaks well for the care taken by our members against accident by fire.

The present board of directors are Thomas Jacob of Visalia, S. L. Stice of Petaluma, A. Van Maren of Fair Oaks, F. L. Hunt of Napa, W. H. Livingston of Greenfield, W. E. Stewart of Danville and E. T. Pettit of Cupertino, and the present officers are: President, Thomas Jacob; Vice President, S. L. Stice; Secretary, E. T. Pettit; and Treasurer, Joseph Holmes of Sacramento.

E. T. PETTIT, Secretary.

When the Grange again took up the regular order of business, Bro. Libby read a resolution relating to the repealing of the action taken on the Water and Power Act at the last session of the State Grange. The resolution was referred to the Legislative Committee.

Bro. Bone, on behalf of Bro Shelley asked permission to refer a resolution to the Legislative Committee without reading. The resolution was so referred.

Bro. Watt made the point that the resolution introduced by Bro. Libby was out of order, and requested a ruling by the Worthy Master.

The Worthy Master said he would take it under advisement.

Bro. J. H. LaRue introduced a resolution relating to auto trucks and buses. It was referred to the Good Roads Committee.

Song-"Wayside Blossoms," by the Grange.

Grange was closed in regular form.

EVENING

The exercises of the evening were open to the public.

The Memorial Exercises, under the direction of the Worthy Chaplain were held in the Chapel.

MEMORIAL EXERCISES

Choir—"River of Time." Reading from Bible—Worthy Chapla'n.

Prayer

Solo-Sr. Mary L. Short.

Eulogies

Mrs. Martha L. Tibbetts, wife of Chas. Tibbetts, Past Master of San Jose Grange, eulogized by Bro. E. C. Abbott.

Tribute of flowers on the altar by Sr. Harriet Pettit.

Jehu Heyworth, Master of Dorris Grange, eulogized by Bro. H. A. Craig.

Tribute of flowers placed by Sr. Ruth Goatley.

Albert P. Martin, Past Master of Two Rock Grange, eulogized by Bro. S. L. Stice.

Tribute of flowers placed by Sr. Laura Stice.

Mrs. Elizabeth Grover of Petaluma Grange, eulogized by Sr. Carrie I. Hooper.

Tribute of flowers placed by Sr. Ruth Goatley.

Wm. Lehn, husband of Sr. Minnie Lehn, Past Master of Forestville Grange, eulogized by Bro. G. R. Harrison.

Tribute of flowers placed by Sr. S. F. Graham.

Mrs. Alice Bryan of American River Grange, eulogized by Bro. L. F. Biggs.

Tribute of flowers placed by Sr. Margaret Robinson.

The eulogy for all other departed members was given by

Bro. E. T. Pettit, Past State Master, and flowers in their memory were placed on the altar by Sr. Mary L. Church.

Choir-"Father, We Rest In Thy Love."

Memorial Address-Bro. C. L. Petersen, Worthy Chaplain.

"Nearer My God to Thee," audience.

Benediction

A program to commemorate this fiftieth annual session of California State Grange, arranged by the Worthy Lecturer, Geo. Sehlmeyer, was given in Social Hall.

Jubilee Program

Song-"The Grange Is Marching On," sung by the members.

Reading of the Declaration of Purposes by Sr. Lulu C. Eipper.

Vocal solo, Sr. Mary L. Short.

History of California State Grange, Bro. F. L. Hunt, Past State Master.

Address, Allison B. Ware.

Community Song, "The Golden Jubilee."

Address, Edward Berwick.

Song, "America," audience.

THIRD DAY—THURSDAY FORENOON

The members were taken in automobiles over the beautiful seventeen mile drive, and to other points of interest by the Chamber of Commerce of Pacific Grove and the Patrons of Monterey County.

AFTERNOON

The Grange was opened in regular form in the Fourth

Degree at 2:40 P. M.

The annual word was taken up by the Assistant Stewards, assisted by Bro. F. L. Biggs and Sr. Winifred Gordon.

The Chaplain being absent, Sr. Harrison was appointed to fill the chair.

Roll call found Worthy Chaplain, C. L. Petersen and Worthy Treasurer, M. Farrell, absent. Bro. Farrell was present later.

Minutes of the previous day's session were read and approved.

Bro. Joseph Holmes stated that he had been requested to ask permission for the District Attorney of Santa Clara County to address the meeting on amendments Nos. 1 and 3, as they will appear on the November ballot.

It was moved and seconded that the District Attorney be invited to address this meeting for fifteen minutes on Friday.

After considerable discussion, it was moved and carried that the motion be laid on the table.

On motion of Bro. Eipper, member of the Committee on Order of Business, the hour for the selection of a meeting place for the next annual session was postponed until 10 A. M. Friday.

The Committee on Order of Business made a further partial report, and asked that it together with the previous partial reports, be adopted as a report in full. It was so ordered.

It was moved and carried that the time for the introduction of resolutions be l'mited to 10 A. M., Friday.

The Secretary read the Master's reports from Poplar and Rutherford Granges.

Bro. Joseph Holmes, Chairman of the Legislative Committee, made a partial report as follows:

The Committee struck out the latter part of the resolution relating to the commendation of G. H. Hecke, and with this amendment, recommended that the resolution be adopted.

It was moved and carried that the recommendation of the committee be adopted.

The Committee recommended the adoption of the resolution from Happy Camp Grange regarding the Wright law. On motion the resolution was adopted.

The Committee recommended that the resolution from Sacramento Grange, rearding the reports of Subordinate Masters, be not adopted.

Bro. Dudgeon moved the adoption of the report of the Committee, seconded and carried.

The Committee recommended the adoption of the resolution from Elk Grove Grange, relating to the Lawyer's Bill, regulating the practice of law.

Bro. Holmes moved that the recommendation of the Committee be adopted. Seconded by Bro. Hewitt and carried.

The Committee recommended the adoption of the resolution from Sacramento Grange relating to lubricating oils.

The resolution was discussed by Bros. Hewitt, Watt and Hartley. On motion of Bro. Holmes the recommendation of the Committee was adopted.

A motion was made and carried that the paper on the History of the Grange in California, as presented by Past Master, F. L. Hunt, the evening of the Jubilee Exercises, be printed in the Journal of Proceedings, and also in pamphlet form.

On the request of Bro. Watt, resolutions as follows were referred to the Legislative Committee.

One to the effect that there should be a State Grange publication.

One that the State Lecturer visit each Pomona Grange at least once a year.

One regarding the creation of a benefit fund.

One relating to the employment of a State Organizer.

A resolution pertaining to Pomona Grange fees was introduced by Sr. Nettie Holmes, and was referred to the Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

Bro. Goatley, Master of Sonoma County Pomona Grange, introduced a resolution regarding the separation of the Southern Pacific-Central Pacific railroad system as to operation and control. The resolution was referred to the Legislative Committee.

Bro. Stice, Chairman of the Good Roads Committee offered a resolution as a substitute for the resolution from Dinuba Grange relating to auto trucks and buses.

It was moved and carried that consideration of the resolution be made a special order immediately after the reading and approval of the minutes Friday morning.

EVENING

Grange was opened in the Fifth Degree.

The regular officers surrendered their chairs to the officers of Sonoma County Pomona Grange who conferred the Fifth Degree upon a class of twenty-seven. Those receiving the Degree were James B. Nesbit, Mrs. Nannie Hobday, Mrs. Lillian N. Page, S. F. Graham, Mrs. Jennie Graham, Hedley V. Archibald, H. C. Hutton, Mrs. Flora B. Hutton, H. A. Butts, H. W. Rhodes, J W Phipps, Mrs Olive S. Dyke, Mrs. Bothelda Lorenzen, Henry Lorenzen, Mrs. Ada B. Bucher, Mrs. Eva E. Luther, Ellerslie E. Luther, Mrs. Lila M. Padgham, James Taylor, Mrs. Anne Warth, Mrs. Elvira Pickrell, Mrs. Emma Nicholson, John Wm. Franscioni, M. R. Lunt, Wm. J. Mantes, C. J. Giacomazzi, Arthur Jones.

The officers of the State Grange resumed their stations.

Grange was closed in the Fifth Degree and opened in the Sixth Degree.

The State Grange officers conferred the Sixth Degree upon Christine O. Ainsworth, Mrs. Florence G. Miller, Phoebe E. Bone, A. S. Gilson, Mrs. H. J. Gilson, James D. Nesbit, Mrs. Martha W. Woodard, Mrs. Alta Chambers, Otis O. Chambers, Miss Emma E. Revell, C. L. Winters, Mrs. Fannie Winters, Mrs. Nannie Hobday, Mrs. Laura V. Wileman, Mrs. Lillian M. Page, S. F. Graham, Mrs. Jennie Graham, Mrs.

Ida Soper, Lee Soper, Miss Ella Oaks, Mrs. Martha D. Oaks, Mrs. Ruth Goatley, Mrs. Inez Spannaus, Herman Spannaus, Hedley V. Archibald, Mrs. Helen Clemmens, Mrs. Clara E. Knight, Sherwood S. Knight, C. E. Shimer, Mrs. Cora B. Shimer, H. C. Hutton Mrs. Lora B. Hutton, O. H. Carey, Mrs. E'sie B. Carey, W E. Gage, Mrs. Flora A. Gage, Mrs. C. D. Beverson, Mrs. M. B Leaman, H. A. Butts, H. W. Rhodes, Mrs. Agnes Rhodes, C. S. La Rue, Mrs. Ella L Rue, Mrs. Maude Hewitt, Henry Hewitt, L. J. Gilliam, Mrs. Mary A. Gilliam, Arthur Jones, Mrs. Elizabeth Hoswell, Mrs. Harriett W. Marcoe, E. T. Hauschildt, Mrs. Ella Hauschildt, John E. Campbell, Lola A. Campbell, Henry Lorenzen, Mrs. Bothelda Lorenzen, Mrs. Ada B. Boucher, Mrs. Eva E. Luther, Ellerslie E. Luther, Mrs. Cordelia Alyward, Mrs. Ida K. Hall, Alex. S. Douglass, Michael Ryan, Leslie Wells, Geo. B. Wells, M. K. Pickrell, Mrs. Nita Wells, Mrs. Arnold Wells, Mrs. Agnes M. Arundell, Willis J. Arundell, Mrs. Belle Melendy, Daniel Melendy, Alfred Binsacca, Mrs. Anne Warth, Mrs. Mary Taylor, James Taylor, Mrs. Alvira Pickrell, Joseph A. Kirby, Mrs. Enid D. Kirby, Mrs. J. W. Troxell, Joseph M. Thorp, Miss Thelma Melendy, Miss Ida C. Renz, Carrie Binsacca, Miss Anna N. Renz, Mrs. Bertha MacDiarmid, F. C. MacDiarmid, James A. Walker, Miss Amy S. Halloran, C. J. Giacomazzi, M.R. Lunt, Wm. J. Mantes, Mrs. Carrie I. er, John Wm. Franscioni.

The officers and members then repaired to the dining hall where a splendid "Pomona Feast" was most beautifully spread and served.

Upon returning to the hall, Grange was duly closed.

FOURTH DAY—FRIDAY FORENOON

Grange was opened in regular form at 9:15 A. M.

The annual word was taken up by the Assistant Steward and Lady Assistant Steward, assisted by Sr. Gordon and Bro. Biggs.

The Divine Blessing was invoked by Bro. E. C. Abbott.

Opening song-"The Grange Is Marching On."

The minutes of the previous day's session were read and approved.

Bro. Bone called attention to the resolution amending the Constitution, presented at the last session of the State Grange by San Jose Grange. No action was taken.

Bro. Winters introduced a resolution relating to the endorsing of propositions one and three on the November ballot, known as Veteran's Va'idating Act, and Veteran's Welfare Bond of 1921. It was referred to the Legislative Committee.

Bro. Libby asked for the withdrawal of the resolution introduced by him on the Water and Power Act. Bro. Libby stated that he was withdrawing the resolution in the interest of harmony in the Grange.

There being no objection, permission was granted.

Bro. Libby introduced a resolution placing the State Grange on record as favoring the Marshall plan of irrigation. Resolution referred to the Committee on Legis'ation.

The resolution, the consideration of which was made a sepecial order for this morning, now came up for consideration.

Bro. Knight read the resolution stating that it had been endorsed by the Committee on Good Roads.

Bro. Stice moved the adoption of the report of the Committee.

Bro. Knight discussed the resoltuion, and advocated the appointment of a committee to examine into any bill that might be introduced into the Legislature bearing on the subject, to see that it did not contain a joker.

The report of the Committee was adopted.

On motion of Bro. Watt, Bro. Judge Peter Shields of Sacramento was appointed to represent the Grange on the above mentioned Committee.

The report of the Committee on Juvenile Granges, read by Sr. Alice Williams, was adopted.

Sr. Gerrells read the report of the Committee on Home Economics. On motion of Bro. Nesbitt of Happy Camp Grange, seconded by Bro. Jones of San Jose Grange, the report was adopted.

The selection of a place of meeting for next year was next in order.

Bro. J. H. La Rue, on behalf of Tulare County, invited the State Grange to Meet in Dinuba in 1923. The invitation was ably seconded by the whole delegation from Tulare County.

Bro. Wells extended an invitation to meet annually at Asilomar.

Bro. J. L. Goatley, as Master of Sonoma County Pomona Grange, gave a very cordial invitation for the State Grange to meet in Santa Rosa. The invitation was seconded by Bro. Roy Church.

Bro. Blohm issued an invitation to meet in Aromas, Monterey County.

The Secretary read an invitation from San Francisco Convention and Tourist League, to ho'd our 1923 session in San Francisco.

The Worthy Master appointed as tellers Bro. Watt, Bro. Newman and Sr. Alice Williams.

Dinuba having received the majority of all the votes cast, the Worthy Master declared that the next meeting place of California State Grange would be Dinuba, Tulare County.

On motion of Bro. Peter Hanson, seconded by Bro. Roy Church, the vote for Dinuba was made unanimous.

The same tellers were appointed for the election of an Executive Committee man to serve for three years.

Five ballots were taken. On the fifth ballot, Bro. Roy I. Church, of Two Rock Grange, was elected.

The tellers were discharged with thanks.

The Chairman of the Comittee on Constitution and By-

Laws made a report on the resolution relating to the election of officers, and recommended that it do not pass.

A motion was made that the recommendation be adopted. After some discussion, the report of the committee was adopted.

Bro. Stanley Smith moved that the resolution be amended to read that after three ballots have been cast, if there be no election, then the three highest shall be the candidates.

The amendment was seconded by Sr. Marcoe of Valley Oaks Grange. Carried.

The resolution as amended was adopted.

The report of the Committee on Education was read by the Chairman, Bro. W. E. Stewart. On motion of Bro. Church, seconded by Bro. Winters, the report was adopted.

Bro. Holmes made a further report for the Legislative Committee, as follows:

The Committee recommended the adoption of the resolution, relating to the Southern Pacific-Central Pacific Railroads. Bro. Knight spoke in explanation of the resolution and moved the adoption of the Committee's report. Motion carried.

The Committee recommended the adopt on of the resolution relating to Chiropractic. Bro. Holmes moved the adoption of the report of the Committee. The report was adopted.

Bro. Goatley moved that a new box and gavel be procured for the Worthy Master. Motion seconded and carried.

On motion of Bro. Eipper, recess was declared until 1 o'clock P. M.

AFTERNOON

Grange was called to order at 1:25 P. M.

Bro. Libby, Chairman of the Committee on Dormant Granges, read the report of that Committee and moved that the report be adopted. Carried.

The report of the Committee on Mileage and Per Diem

was read by Bro. Libby and adopted after the bill of the Worthy Chaplain had been allowed by the Grange.

Bro. Holmes, on behalf of the Legislative Committee made a further report as follows:

The Committee recommended the adoption of the resolution relating to the employment of a State Organizer. The report of the Committee was adopted.

The resolution endorsing amendments one and three on the November ballot was recommended for adoption. Recommendation adopted.

The resolution relating to the creation of a benefit fund was recommended for adoption. The report of the committee was adopted.

The Committee recommended that the resolution in regard to a State Grange publication be referred to the Executive Committee to investigate the proposition offered by the National Grange Monthly.

Consideration of the recommendation was deferred until after the return of the Subordinate Lecturers from the Lecturer's Conference.

Bro. Williams, as Chairman of the State Grange Vacation Committee, read the report of that Committee, which was accepted.

Bro. Dudgeon read the report of the Committee on Taxation.

On motion of Bro. Newman, seconded by Bro. Watt, the report was accepted.

The report of the Finance Committee was read by the chairman, J. L. Goatley, and adopted as read.

The Secretary read the report of the Committee on Charity. The report was accepted.

The Worthy Master requested Bro. Libby to assume the chair. He then proceeded to read his report on Instruction and Inspection of Granges.

On motion the report was accepted, and the Secretary

instructed to have it printed in the Journal of Proceedings.

STATE MASTER'S REPORT ON INSTRUCTION AND INSPECTION

The State Master, following the instructions given him at the 1921 session of the State Grange, wherein he was to visit and instruct all Granges, to be followed later with inspection, begs to submit the following report: I have visited all but four Granges for instruction, however, two of these met with other Granges in joint session.

The other two were not visited on account of not being able to arrange a date with them when I had the time.

I found most of the Granges in splendid working order; many of them with Ladies' degree teams, doing splendid work, others with the officers doing equally as well. The inspection work began in September. I personally inspected eighteen Granges, the Deputies doing the remainder of the work.

Below is given names of Granges with a score of ninety points and upwards, together with Granges having a membership of one hundred and ninety and over. Also the Grange with the highest average attendance at the last four meetings.

Score

Orchard City Grange 9	8
Mountain View Grange 9	200
Fort Romie Grange 9	15
Dinuba Grange 9	200
San Jose Grange 9	100
Scott's Valley Grange 9	-7
Sacramento Grange	14
Santa Rosa Grange 9	65
Rutherford Grange 9	14
Gazelle Grange 9	3
Elk Grove Grange)2
Danville Grange	2
Happy Camp Grange)1
Dorris Grange	90
Greenhorn Grange	90

Membership

Sebastopol Grange 3	23
Mountain View Grange 3	02
Orchard City Grange 2	43
Scott's Valley Grange 2	08
Bellevue Grange 1	93
Aromas Grange 1	90

Average Attendance, Last Four Meetings

Hornbrook Grange	51 per cent.
Bennett Valley Grange	46 per cent.
Dinuba Grange	45 per cent.
Danville Grange	45 per cent.
Valley Oaks Grange	40 per cent.
Mountain View Grange	

Fraternally submitted,

GEO. R. HARRISON, Master.

The Worthy Master resumed the chair, and declared a short recess.

When the Grange was again called to order, the Worthy Master asked Past Master, F. L. Hunt, to take the chair.

The report of the Legislative Committee on the resolution relating to a State Grange Publication, came up for consideration.

Sr. Sou'e offered the following as a substitute:

Resolved: That the Worthy State Lecturer be authorized to issue a Quarterly Bulletin from his office to the Subordinate Grange Lecturers as a means of better team work.

The subject was discussed pro and con, and on motion, the substitute was adopted.

The Committee recommended the adoption of the resolution authorizing the Lecturer to visit the Pomona Granges once each year.

Bro. Holmes moved the adoption of the recommendation. Motion carried,

Bro. Harrison resumed the Chair.

On the request of Bro. Holmes, Bro. Hewitt explained the substance of the "Act on Dredging," as introduced by Elk Grove Grange.

The Committee recommended the adoption of the Act.

Moved and carried that the recommendation of the Committee be adopted.

The Committee recommended the adoption of the resolution from Sonoma County Pomona Grange in reference to House Bill No. 12,169. Report of Committee adopted.

The Committee recommended that the resolution placing the State Grange on record as favoring the Marshall Plan of Irrigation be not adopted.

The recommendation of the Committee was adopted.

Bro. Holmes stated that the Committee had not had time to consider the resolution introduced by Bro. Shelly, relating to Emergency Loans, and returned it to the Grange without action.

The report of the Legislative Committee as amended, was adopted.

Bro. E. C. Abbott, Chairman of the Resolution Committee, read the following report as presented by that Committee:

To the Worthy Master, Officers and Members of the State Grange of California: Your Committee on Resolutions begs leave to submit the following report:

RESOLUTION OF THANKS

We appreciate the privilege we have had of holding the Fiftieth Annual Session of the State Grange in Historic Monterey County, at the beautiful spot of Asilomar, and under the roof of the Y. W. C. A. Association. Great credit is due the Patrons of Monterey County Pomona Grange who arranged for our entertainment and comfort.

They left nothing undone that would minister to our pleasure.

The reception, on Tuesday evening, given by citizens of

Monterey and Pacific Grove and Patrons was well arranged and much enjoyed.

We would not fail to mention the scenic seventeen-mile drive tendered by the same.

The beautiful manner in which the officers of Sonoma County Pomona Grange exemplified the work of the Fifth Degree, deserves our hearty thanks. Rarely is it as well done.

The beautifully arranged tables so bountifully laden for the Pomona Feast received our hearty and evident appreciation.

We owe much to the local press for their full and complete reports of our session.

Respectfu'ly submitted,

E. C. ABBOTT, E. T. PETTIT, ANNIE GERRELLS, JENNIE DUDGEON, W. E. STEWART.

Committee.

Bro. Watt moved the adoption of the report. Seconded by Bro. James Holmes. The motion was unanimously carried.

Bro. E. T. Pettit, Chairman of the Committee on Constitution and By-Laws, made a further report for that Committee. The report was adopted.

Bro. Bone moved the adoption of the resolution permitting nominations without debate at the election of officers. The motion was duly seconded. Bro. Watt moved that the resolution lie on the table. Carried.

Bro. Sehlmeyer stated that he had been invited to attend a meeting of the Prune and Apricot Association, and requested to know if he would attend such meetings when invitations were received.

No action was taken.

Bro. Hewitt suggested that a strong Legislative Committee

be appointed to look after legis'ation affecting farmers at the next session of the Legislature.

Bro. Winters moved that the Master continue his visits to the various Granges for the purpose of instruction and inspection. Carried.

On motion of Bro. Libby, the approval of the minutes of this last day's session was left to the Executive Committee.

It was moved and carried that this State Grange donate \$50.00 to the Y. W. C. A.

The members joined in singing,

It's a long way to Dinuba, it's a long way we know;
It's a long way to Dinuba, but we will all go.
We'll pack up our Saratogas, and all load down our Fords,
For the land where they raise the raisins, we'll all get
aboard.

After the closing song, "God Be With You Till We Meet Again," the Grange was closed in regular form to meet October 16, 1923, in Dinuba, Tulare County.

MARTHA L. GAMBLE, Secretary.

The following poem by F. A. Wel's of Community Grange, was read the evening of the reception.

WELCOME

You of our Fraternal Order,
Though you come from near or far
We extend a hearty welcome
To our fair Asilomar.

You from Siskiyou's lofty mountains, Tulare, Joaquin's sunny clime, Will receive an inspiration From our atmosphere sublime.

Napa, Lake and Sacramento,
You are welcome as the flowers,
That in such profusion blossom
In this sunny land of ours.

You from Santa Clara County, And Sonoma not afar, May you gain invigoration At our famed Asilomar.

You from Mendocino's Valleys, Contra Costa and Placer grand, Ours the pleasure, you are welcome To our perfect Wonderland.

Once again we bid you welcome
To our loved Asilomar;
Though you come by S. P. Special,
Or in a Twin S'x touring car.

Freely take of all we offer, It is of our very best, Gathered from our hills and valleys, Of the country God has blest.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES AS ADOPTED BY CALIFORNIA STATE GRANGE

Order of Business

First Day-Tuesday, October 17, 1922

FORENOON

- 1. Opening of Grange in regular form in Fifth Degree,
- 2. Roll call of Officers.
- 3. Roll call of Granges and presentation of Credentials.
- 4. Appointment of Committees and announcements.

AFTERNOON

- Hours of laber:
 9 A. M. to 12 M.
 1:30 P. M. to 4:30 P. M.
 7 P. M. to adjournment.
- 2. Report of Committee on Credentials.
- 3. Reports of State Officers.
- 4. Roll call of Granges for the introduction of reports and

resolutions without debate.

- 5. Miscellaneous business.
- 6. Committee meetings from 4:30 to 5.

EVENING

8:30 P. M., reception in Administration Building, Asilomar, by citizens of Pacific Grove, and patrons of Monterey County.

Second Day-Wednesday, October 18, 1922

FORENOON

- 1. Roll call of Officers.
- 2. Reading and approval of minutes of preceding day.
- 3. Report of Committee on Credentials.
- 4. Report of Committee on Order of Business.
- 5. Unfinished business.
- 6. New business.
- 7. Reports of Committees.
- 8. Announcements.

AFTERNOON

- 1. Unfinished business.
- 2. New business.
- 3. Reports of Committees.
- 4. 3:30 P. M., Grange Fire Insurance meeting.
- 5. Introduction of resolutions.

EVENING-OPEN SESSION

- 1. Memorial exercises in the Chapel.
- 2. Golden Jubilee Program in Social Hall.

Third Day-Thursday, October 19, 1922

FORENOON

1. 9:30 A. M., sight seeing trip, arranged by C. of C. of Pacific Grove and Patrons of Monterey County.

AFTERNOON

- 1. Reading and approval of minutes of previous day.
- 2. Unfinished business.
- 3. New business.

- 4. Introduction of resolutions.
- 5. Reports of committees.

EVENING

- 1. 8 P. M., conferring of Fifth Degree by Sonoma County Pomona Grange.
 - 2. Conferring of Sixth Degrees by Officers of State Grange
 - 3. Feast of Pomona in Asilomar dining hall.

Fourth Day-Friday, October 20, 1922

FORENOON

- 1. Opening of Grange and roll call of officers.
- 2. Reading and approval of minutes of previous day.
- 3. Unfinished business, introduction of resolutions.
- 4. 10 A. M., selection of meeting place for 1923.
- 5. New business.
- 6. Reports of Committees.

AFTERNOON

- 1. Unfinished business.
- 2. Reports of Committees.
- 3. Closing of Grange in due form.

H. A. CRAIG, E. K. CLENDENING, WILLIAM EIPPER, JR.,

Committee.

CREDENTIALS

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

Your Committee on Credentials beg leave to report that the credentials have been duly examined, and that the following delegates are entitled to be seated, as representatives of their respective Granges:

American River—L. F. Biggs, Master and wife Antelope—A. Van Maren, Alternate. Aromas—Murdock Nicho'son, Master. Bellevue—Miss Winifred Gordon, Alternate. Bennett Valley-Peter Hanson, Alternate. Beswick-Inez I. Spannaus, Master and husband. Bogus-Arthur Jones, Master. Community-C. L. Winters, Master and wife, Danville-W. E. Stewart, Master. Dinuba-J. H. LaRue, Master and wife Dorris-Helen Clemmens, Alternate. Elk Grove-H. Hewitt, Alternate and wife. Elkhorn-J. G. Campbell, Alternate and wife. Forestville-Mrs. Nettie Harbine, Master's wife. Fort Romie-Lee Dudgeon, Master and wife. Gazelle-Alice E. Williams, Master. Geyserville-Chas. Weidersheim, Alternate and wife, Greenfield-L. J. Carson, Master. Greenhorn-Geo. K. Bray. Master and wife. Guenoc-Granville Libby, Alternate and wife. Happy Camp-James B. Nesbit. Alternate. Hornbrook-Jenny Bray, Alternate. Mountain View-Annie Gerrells, Master and husband. Napa-John Hartley, Master, Orange Vale-W. M. Morse, Master and wife. Orchard City-W. R. Coupland, Master and wife, Petaluma-Mrs. Carrie I. Hooper. Alternate. Potter Valley-J. G. Newman, Master and wife. Sacramento-J. N. Watt, Master. San Jose-Joseph H. Bone, Master and wife. Santa Rosa-S. H. Stone, Alternate and wife. Scott Valley-Bernard B. Walker, Master. Sebastopol-M. D. McLeod, Alternate and wife. Silverado-Hans Abramson, Alternate. Tulare-Thomas Jacob, Alternate. Two Rock-Roy I. Church, Alternate and wife. Upper Valley-O. O. Chambers, Alternate and wife. Valley Oaks-Harriet Marcoe, Master's wife. Visalia-A. C. Williams, Master and wife.

Pomona Granges

Monterey County—W. W. Wells, Master and wife. Napa-Lake Counties—Mrs. Maggie E. Turner, Alternate. Sacramento County—Mrs. Nettie Holmes, Master and husband.

Santa Clara County—L. E. Tuttle, Master and wife. Siskiyou County—Mrs. Ella Soule, Alternate and husband.

Sonoma County—J. L. Goatley, Master and wife. Tulare County—W. E. Lindley, Master and wife.

Fraternally submitted.

L. F. BIGGS,
W. V. GRIFFITH,
ALICE E. WILLIAMS,
MARY E. MORE.

Committee.

LEGISLATION

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

Your Committee on Legislation to whom was referred the following resolutions, beg leave to report that they have duly considered the same and recommend their adoption, namely,

- 1. Relating to the Department of Agriculture.
- 2. Relating to the enforcement of the Wright Act.
- 3. Relating to the Lawyer's Bill.
- 4. Relating to lubricating oils.
- 5. Relating to propositions Nos. 1 and 3 on the November ballot, known as the Veterans' Farm and Purchase Act, and Validating Act.
- Relating to the dismemberment of the Southern Pacific-Central Pacific Railroads,
- 7. Relating to the Chiropractic Bill, No. 16, on the November ballot.
 - 8. Relating to the creation of a benefit fund.
 - 9. Relating to House Bill No. 12,169.
 - 10. Relating to the State Lecturer visiting Pomona Granges.
 - 11. Relating to dredging for gold under certain conditions.
 - 12. Relating to the employment of a State Organizer.

The resolution from Sacramento Grange amending the Bylaws of the State Grange so as to restrict the length of the reports of Masters of Subordinate Granges, and the resolution introduced by Brother Libby, placing the State Grange on record as endorsing the Marshal Plan of Irrigation, we recommend be not adopted.

The resolution introduced by Bro. Shelley, relating to emergency loans, we return to the Grange without action, not having had the time to give the subject the consideration its importance demands.

JOSEPH HOLMES, HORACE G. KEESLING, W. V. GRIFFITH, MRS. W. L. KLEAVER.

PER DIEM

Worthy Master, Officers and Members of California State Grange:

Your Committee on Mileage and Per Diem begs leave to report that they have duly considered the bills presented to them and find the following are entitled to mileage and per diem as follows:

Mrs. Carrie I. Hooper\$	4.55
Mrs. Mary L. Short	14.40
Mrs. Ida M. Clendening	3.06
Stanley B. Smith	5.00
H. G. Keesling	3 00
Mrs. Grace Biggs	15.12
	21.96
Mrs. Ella C. Braughler	15.12
MIS. M. W. Woodald	9.00
C. E. Shimer	10.50
Mrs. Florence G. Miller	5,28
Miss Fannie L. Gamble	5,28
C. F. Van Maren	
James B. Nesbit	
Clara I. Smith	
Mrs. Alice M. Abbott	
Mrs. W. L. Kleaver	40.00
H. A. Craig	42.00
Mrs. Blanche B. Sides.	6.40
Henry Hewitt	7.50
Mrs. Alice E. Williams	21.00
C. L. Petersen	14.40
Mrs. Ella Hauschildt	6.00
MIS, PAIR TRAUSCHILL	

Win'fred F. Gordon	5.28
A. C. Williams	18.00
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M. Farrell	5.50

Respectfully submitted.

GRANVILLE LIBBY, INEZ I. SPANNAUS, CHAS. WEIDERSHEIM. STANLEY B. SMITH.

GOOD ROADS

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

Your Committee on Good Roads, viz: S. L. Stice Arthur Jones, S. H. Stone, and John Hartley, to whom was referred the resolution from Dinuba Grange relating to auto trucks and buses, beg leave to report that they have duly considered the same, and recommend the following resolution as a substitute;

Whereas: California has invested in her paved highways nearly seventy-five million dollars, covering a mileage of nearly three thousand miles of the main arteries of commerce of this State, and

Whereas: The cost of maintenance of these paved highways under our present lack of regulation of highway transportation is costing our state several millions of dollars annually, and

Whereas: In spite of all this expenditure of the money derived from the taxpayers of this state, in many places irreparable damage is being wrought through overloading and high velocities of moving vehicles, and

Whereas: These highways which were built and are being

maintained at the expense of the public are being used by individuals and corporations for private gain in the operation of both passenger and freight transportation agencies to the great injustice, disadvantage and sometimes the complete destruction of steam and electric railways, boat lines, etc., whose operation is absolutely essential to the further developemnt and actual maintenance of the agricultural industry of our state, therefore be it

Resolved: That we, the members of California State Grange, in meeting assembled this, the 20th of October, hereby unanimously request the members of our next state legislature, when they meet in Sacramento next January, to carefully investigate this whole automobile transportation situation and to pass such legislation at that session as will place the automobile transportation agencies operating in California in a position where their competition will be fair to the other common carriers of this State.

We recommend that more drastic measures be adopted of weights of freight carried by trucks over our highways.

We further recommend that these loads shall not be in excess of the strength of the road bed.

We recommend that in future construction of our roads, they be not less than eighteen feet wide, and that all trunk lines be uniform in thickness.

We recommend the graveling of not less than two feet on each side of the concrete, as we believe this would add to the safety of the traffic.

We lastly recommend that all traffic laws be more strictly enforced.

S. L. STICE, JOHN HARTLEY, S. H. STONE, ARTHUR JONES.

CHARITY

To the Officers and Members of California State Grange:

We, your Committee on Charity, beg leave to submit the following:

From what we have been able to learn, and from listening to the reports from the various Granges, it would seem that the members have been mindful of the admonition, "And forget not Charity."

Some Granges have been called upon to help some of their own members in their time of need; others have contributed to such worthy objects as the Near East Relief, Red Cross, etc.; others have sent donations of cash and clothing to the orphanages of San Anselmo and Lytton's, both of which have suffered severe losses by fire.

Your committee especially commends the little acts of every day kindness and brotherly love which have come to their notice, such as remembering the sick and afflicted by letters, flowers, and by visits when possible.

Fraternally submitted,

ELIZABETH A. McLEOD, INEZ I. SPANNAUS, MIRA MORE, J. G. NEWMAN.

DIVISION OF LABOR

We, your committee on Division of Labor, beg leave to present this report.

We recommend that those portions of the Master's report referring to Field Meets, National Grange Benefit, Grange Fraternal Fire Insurance and Juvenile Granges be referred to the Committee on Good of the Order; those referring to capital and labor, law enforcement, automobile legislation, to the Legislative Committee. The suggestion in regard to Grange Vacation, to the Vacation Committee, and that part relating to the Golden Jubilee to the State Grange Lecturer, and "In Memoriam" to the Memorial Committee.

PETER HANSON,
ROY I. CHURCH,
J. G. NEWMAN,
ALICE M. ABBOTT,
IDA M. CLENDENING.

TAXATION

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

Your Committee on Taxation begs leave to report that they have duly considered the same, and find that the subject of Taxation is a very broad subject for an ordinary farmer who has not the statistics and figures on hand.

We are also aware that equalization of assessments for taxation is a big problem.

We believe that all ma'e residents over 21 years of age should pay a poll and hospital tax. Every possible precaution should be taken to secure equality of assessments on all taxable property. We favor a tax on auto transportation lines that would be just and equitable with other transportation lines, or companies, and believe that a proper portion of such taxes should revert to the Counties for the upkeep of the County highways over which they operate.

We believe in the ownership of homes, and that all possible fair means should be used to regulate taxes so as to encourage the same.

We also would like to call your attention as voters and tax payers to the ever increasing demand for more moneys for the operation of our municipal, county and State governments, which in most instances we are inclined to blame upon the office holders, but which, in reality, is forced upon them by the voters through the call for more bonds, better roads, more commissions, inspectors and standardization, and the like.

So just stop for a moment and give this your serious consideration.

In conclusion, we find that statistics state that 65 per cent, of the population live in the cities and towns, 35 per cent.

live in the country and that the 35 per cent. living in the country pays 50 per cent, of the taxes.

Fraternally submitted.

LEE DUDGEON, ROY I. CHURCH, W. R. COUPLAND, A. VAN MAREN.

EDUCATION

To the Officers and Members of California State Grange:

Your Committee on Education begs to submit the following report:

The subject of education is such a broad and complex subject that your committee could not possibly deal adequately with this subject in this limited space.

We wi'l therefore state a few principles we believe vital to the welfare of our educational system.

First. The present tendency towards the centralization of power and responsibility of all state and local government, is a wrong tendency in principle, and tends to the distinction of time democracy. Especially so in educational matters.

We, therefore, ask that all Granges resist the proposed proposition to consolidate the district school trustees into a county board of education.

While we realize many of the local trustees fail to measure up to their responsibility, or a sense of their duties, still we be leve the present system of school administration is in line with our democratic institutions, and tends to eventually develop a more self conscious citizenry.

In harmony with the above, we do not endorse federal aid or federal interference in school matters. We denounce the present tendency of the University of California to increase the numerous costs to students, resulting in excluding many of the most worthy young persons, with no material benefit therefrom.

We commend the present tendency in educational circles,

and elsewhere, to make modern education more practical and to the point. We believe in a more persistent and intelligent instruction in manners and morals, and in the laws of physical health.

Respectfully submitted,

W. E. STEWART,
MRS. ALICE E. WILLIAMS,
MRS. ELIZA J. FARRELL.

HOME ECONOMICS

To the Officers and Members of California State Grange:

Your Committee on Economics begs leave to report as follows:

In ancient Rome there was a Golden Mile-Stone from which all distance was reckoned. In America each man's chimney top is his mile-stone. We women should make our homes so attractive that they far surpass both in beauty and value the mile-stone of ancient Rome.

The beautification and arrangement of our homes covers such a vast scope of suggestions that we can only say: If you can't get what you want, want what you can get.

We would suggest that the ladies avail themse ves of the teachers, sent out free of charge, by our University of Berkeley, who teach Domestic Sciences. We should practice and encourage the rules of health, for health leads to contentment, happiness and prosperity.

We should not neglect the social obligations to our young peop'e, as in after years they will measure pleasure and sobriety by their early home teachings.

Fraternally submitted,

MRS. W. V. GRIFFITH,
MRS. JENNIE DUDGEON,
MRS. L. E. TUTTLE,
MRS. J. H. LA RUE
MRS. ANNIE GERRELLS.

DORMANT GRANGES

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

Your Comm'ttee on Dormant Granges begs leave to report that they have duly considered the same, and find that there are no dormant Granges and, therefore, our only duty is to congratulate the State Grange upon this most excellent condition.

Respectfully submitted,

GRANVILLE LIBBY, JAMES B. NESBIT, W. HALBERT SMITH.

FINANCE

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

Your Committee on Finance to whom was referred the books of the Secretary and Treasurer, beg leave to report that they have duly considered the same, and find the books are in excellent condition, and that said books correspond in every way with the exception of warrant No. 134, of three dollars, which remains unpaid.

Respectfully submitted,

J. L. GOATLEY, B. E. WALKER, J. H. LA RUE, LOIS S. CRAIG, KATE H. WOOD.

JUVENILE GRANGES

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

Your Committee on Juvenile Granges, to whom was referred this subject, beg leave to report that they have duly considered the same, and find ample and explicit literature covering the subject in the hands of the Worthy State Master, and they earnestly recommend that all the Granges

interest themselves in this work with a view to the organizing of Juvenile Granges in so far as practicable for their particular needs.

They a so recommend that the delegates at this conference report to their several Granges the information herein contained, that action may be taken by them, if they so desire, to promote the welfare of the Younger Chi'dren, and further recommend that the California State Grange assist in promoting this work to the best of its ability.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. ALICE E. WILLIAMS, MRS. BLANCHE B. SIDES, MRS. KATE H. WOOD, MRS. VAN MAREN, WINIFRED F. GORDON.

GRANGE VACATION

To the Officers and Members of California State Grange:

Your Committee on Grange Vacation, begs leave to report as follows: The annual outing was held in July, 1922, at General Grant Park, among the rarest of wild-flowers, the evergreen pine and those world wonders, the rewood trees, the largest on earth, and the oldest living things of record.

The elevation of near eight thousand feet made the climate delightful. Day sessions were held in the open, and the warm sunshine added to our comfort, while the exercises in the evening were made pleasant and bright by the immense log camp fires.

The day time was given over 'argely to discussion of matters pertaining to general betterment. Some very able papers were read during the session, suggesting changes and economy in State Government, also in advancing and encouraging the cause of mankind.

The Water and Power Act was given special place on the program and was ably presented by S'ster Howell of Poplar Grange, who spoke in favor of the Act, and Bother Libby of Guenoc Grange who opposed the measure. This was followed with a general discussion by the members, which brought to the surface many important facts, all of which

were analyzed and made clear to those present.

One of the outstanding features of the week was the conferring of the degrees in the open by the lady degree team of Dinuba Grange, and the officers of Poplar Grange. For this occasion curtains were hung from tree to tree in order to make an inclosure and to maintain secrecy. Guards were stationed at reasonable distances as a further precaution against the public. Each of these teams deserve special credit and received the congraturations of those present for the able manner in which they exemplified the work.

The spare time was taken up by making trips to points of special interest; the one leading over the road to Kings River Canyon by the way of the immense lumper camps will long be remembered. Time and space will not permit of its description.

The Committee wishes to thank all who participated in making this occasion so pleasant and especially do we extend our thanks to the outside talent for the interest they took in the meeting.

The attendance, at this annual vacation, was not as large as we had hoped for and not so large as it should have been in order to make State Grange vacations a success. The attendance, with the exception of six members, was from Tulare County. This showing, I am inclined to believe, left the impression with those present that the general membership was not interested in the annual vacation, and we fear, did not advance the prestige of the Grange with the public at 'arge.

While your Committee is most favorably impressed with the idea of an annual State Grange Vacation, yet we would suggest the subject be investigated with the hope that some alteration be made so as to encourage a more general attendance from over the state, which, without question, would have a better effect in the locality which was acting as host to the State Delegation.

The future welfare of the Grange depends largely upon the impression the public gains from the members in the conduct of the affairs of the organizaton. If the membership, in discharge of these duties, fails to favorably impress the

public, the securing of new members is a double task.

A. C. WILLIAMS, KATE H. WOOD, THOS. JACOB, W. E. LINDLEY.

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

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

Your Committee on Constitution and By-Laws, to whom was referred the resolution on election of officers, beg leave to report that they have duly considered the same, and recommend that it do not pass.

We further recommend that the resolution relating to Pomona Grange fees be adopted with a sight change.

> E. T. PETTIT, F. S. CLIFTON, MRS. NETTIE HARBINE

> > Committee.

RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED BY CALIFORNIA STATE GRANGE

RELATING TO THE HIGHWAYS

(Introduced by Sonoma County Pomona Grange)

Whereas: California now has invested in her paved highways nearly seventy-five million dollars, covering a mi eage of nearly three thousand miles of the main arteries of commerce of this State, and

Whereas: The cost of maintenance of these paved highways under our present lack of regulation of highway transportation is costing our state several millions of dollars annually, and

Whereas: In spite of all of this expenditure of the money derived from the tax payers of this State, in many places irreparable damage is being wrought through overloading and high velocities of moving vehicles, and

Whereas: These highways which were built and are being maintained at the expense of the public are being used by individuals and corporations for private gain in the operation of both passenger and freight transportation agencies to the great injustice, disadvantage and sometimes the complete destruction of steam and electric railways, boat lines, etc., whose operation is absolutely essential to the further development and actual maintenance of the agricultural industry of our State, therefore be it

Resolved: That we, the members of the California State Grange, in meeting assembled this, the 20th of October, 1922, hereby unanimously request the members of our next state legislature, when they meet in Sacramento next January, to carefully investigate this whole automobile transportation situation and to pass such legislation at that session as will place the automobile transportation agencies operating in California in a position where their competition will be fair to the other common carriers of this State.

COMMENDING G. H. HECKE

(Introduced by Sacramento County Pomona Grange)

Be It Resolved: That it is the sense of Sacramento County Pomona Grange No. 2, that the State Department of Agriculture, in all its branches, is functioning in the interests of the California producers of agricultural products. That under the able management of Agricultural Director G. H. Hecke, this department has become the leading factor in the progress of agriculture in the State, and be it further

Resolved: That the State Grange of California, assembled in convention at Asilomar, Monterey County, October 18, 1922, endorse these sentiments, commending State Agriculture Director G. H. Hecke, for the efficiency of our Department of Agriculture, due largely, to his untiring work, and respectfully request the Governor-elect to make no change in the office of Agriculture Director.

RELATING TO THE WRIGHT LAW

(Proposed by James B. Nesbit, Happy Camp Grange, No. 395)

Whereas: The amendment to the constitution of the

United States prohibiting the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquor has been enforced nationally through the operations of the Volstead Act, and

Whereas: There is now pending before the voters of California a measure known as the Wright Law, which, if adopted, will bring violations of the Volstead Act within the jurisdiction of the courts of this State, promoting public order, now, therefore be it

Resolved: By the California State Grange, in annual session at Asilomar, Monterey County, that we endorse the proposed Wright Law and favor its adoption by the voters of California.

RELATING TO THE LAWYER'S BILL

(Introduced by H. Hewitt of Elk Grove Grange)

Believing the proposition, No. 24, known as the Lawyer's Bill, "To Regulate the Practice of Law," is not for the best interest of the general public, and because it would compel a tax, according to the plain reading of the law, upon all people who had business with papers of legal content, and because the bill does not except notaries public, real estate men, bankers, certified accountants and business men who habitually use, in their business, papers of legal content, and because it was promulgated without public demand or acclaim, and p'ainly designed to leg'slate the people into paying legal fees for advice which is now given by business men, and because it is a class legislation benefitting only the attorneys of our State, and because of existing laws regulating any illegal practice of the law, be it

Resolved: That we find this proposed legislation selfish, unnecessary and against the best interests of the people at large, and we do hereby place ourselves on record as being against its adoption.

RELATING TO LUBRICATING OILS

(Introduced by Sacramento Grange)

It is resolved by Ca ifornia State Grange that proper legislation is needed to protect consumers in the purchase of lubricating oils, and that such legislation should require a proper record of the viscosity, gravity and the flash and fire tests, to be properly marked and designated on each oil container, and that dealers of all classes should be required to supply o'ls in the original containers, properly marked and designated; or in sales of one gallon or more of lubricating oil in bulk or from tanks or tank wagon a sale ticket giving the above tests of the o'l sold shall be delivered to the purchaser dated and signed by the seller or agent; and

That penalties be imposed for the failure to comply with such proposed law, and its enforcement be required by the Department of Agriculture, and

That the Legislative Committee of the State Grange be and is hereby instructed to take such steps as are necessary to have such a aw passed by the next State Legislature.

RELATING TO VETERANS' ACTS ONE AND THREE

(Introduced by C. L. Winters of Community Grange)

Whereas: The American Legion of the State of Californ'a is sponsoring propositions No. 1 and No. 3 on the November ballot, known as the Veteran's Farm and Purchase Act and Val'dating Act and,

Whereas: Said propositions are beneficial to the best interests of all Veterans in the State of Ca fornia and.

Whereas: Said propositions give all veterans of California a financial opportunity without increasing the taxes whatso-ever,

Therefore, Be It Resolved: That the California State Grange in convention assembled, endorse these said propositions and recommend the same to all Subordinate Granges.

RELATING TO CHIROPRACTIC

.. (Introduced by Lee Dudgeon of Fort Romie Grange)

Whereas: There will appear on the ballot at the November election, an initiative measure known as the Chiropractic Bill, No. 16, on the ballot, and

Whereas: We believe that anyone should have the liberty and right of choosing any method he desires for treating his

ailments, so long as it does not endanger others, and

Whereas: The Chiropractic adjustments is a scientific method that has cured many cases that medical doctors have failed to cure, therefore be it

Reso ved: That the State Grange of California endorse the Chiropractic Bill, No. 16, on the ballot.

RELATING TO THE S. P.-C. P. RAILROAD SYSTEM

(Introduced by Sonoma County Pomona Grange)

Whereas: The Southern Pacific-Central Pacific Railroad system has been operated under unit control for fifty years and under one stock ownership for over twenty years, and

Whereas: A decision of the United States Supreme Court of May 29th, 1922, upon an action brought many years ago under the Sherman Act, requires the separation of these two companies as to both control and operation, and

Whereas: Dismemberment of this transportation system may mean hardship and perhaps disaster to the various industries of the State, and particularly to agriculture, whose prosperity in the State of California requires refrigerator car service and the utmost dispatch in movement, and

Whereas: Dismemberment of this transportation system might mean increased operating costs and inferior service resulting in a corresponding decrease in efficiency, and

Whereas: Under the Transportation Act of August, 1920, the Interstate Commerce Commission has a ready prepared a tentative plan for railroad consolidation under which the Southern Pacific-Central Pacific system is retained intact, therefore be it

Resolved: That we, the members of California State Grange meeting at Asilomar this day, October 19th, 1922, do most respectfully request that the Interestate Commerce Commission hold a hearing at the earliest possible moment, in order that the true needs of all citizens, particularly those engaged in agriculture, be made apparent and decision may

be rendered accordingly, protecting the public against the dismemberment of this transportation system.

RELATING TO THE CREATION OF A BENEFIT FUND

(Introduced by J. N. Watt of Sacramento Grange)

Be It Resolved: That a "Benefit Fund" be created on the following plan: Members in good standing of all Subordinate Granges of California shall be invited to contribute \$1.10 to be paid to the State Grange and when 500 have so contributed they shall constitute the first unit of the "Benefit Fund," and at the death of any of such members the wife or husband or survivor, designated by them when subscribing, shall upon notice of death be paid \$500, and an assessment of \$1.10 placed on the remaining members, and new members shall be admitted to bring the number to 510.

That the additional 10c on each assessment shall be paid the Secretary for stationery, postage and services in conducting this fund.

And that when 510 have subscribed to this fund then another unit shall be organized on the same plan and that \$250 of the State Grange funds shall be a lotted for the purposes of starting this fund, to be spent by the State Secretary for organizing purposes under plans approved by the Executive Committee, such amount to be returned to State Grange Treasurer from surpluses. In the event that after the expenditure of the \$250 no fund shall be created then, and in this event the amounts subscribed shall be returned to the respective subscribers.

Be It Further Resolved: That the Secretary of the State Grange shall prepare By-Laws for the operation of this "Benefit Fund" plan, and when they are approved by the Executive Committee, shall immediately take steps to carry out the purposes and intent of this resolution.

RELATING TO ALIENS INELIGIBLE TO CITIZENSHIP

(Introduced by Sonoma County Pomona Grange)

Whereas: Public opinion in the United States has crystalized to the point where it positively demands constructive legislation by our Federal Congress, regulating the entrance

and permanent residence of aliens within our country, and

Whereas: There has recently been introduced in the United States House of Representatives, at Washington, D. C., by Hon. Albert Johnson, chairman of the House Immigration Committee, a bill known as House Bill No. 12,169, intended to supercede the temporary three per cent. alein restriction law, in force at present, and

Whereas: State laws having proved utterly inadquate in solution of our Japanese problem, and as in said bill there has been drawn a provision, ABSOLUTELY DENYING PERMANENT RESIDENCE TO ALL ALIENS INELIGIBLE TO CITIZENSHIP, now therefore be it

Resolved: By the Ca ifornia State Grange, that we fully approve of such a provision and urge that the time be grasped as one most unusually opportune to consummate its retention as part of permanent Federal immigration laws, and it is further

Resolved: That in line herewith, our Worthy State Master is nereby ordered to take this resolution into the next regular meeting of the National Grange, and secure proper time at that meeting to set forth some of the awful facts regarding Japanese immigration and their rapid peaceful penetration as existing today in our State and the West; to the end that means be taken by the National Grange to advise every member of the United States House of Representatives, every member of the United States Senate and the President of the United States, of the intense feeling of our people of the West in th's matter, so absolutely vital to Christian c'yilization and the white races of our country.

RELATING TO VISITS OF LECTURER

(Introduced by J. N. Watt of Sacramento Grange)

Be It Resolved: That the State Lecturer should visit each of the Pomona Granges at least once a year and that his

expenses and per diem of \$4.00 per day be paid by the State Grange while making such visits.

RELATING TO DREDGING FOR GOLD

(Introduced by Elk Grove Grange)

An Act to protect the soil within the State of Ca ifornia and to prevent its destrucion or its deterioration; to regulate the dredging of soil by means of the dredging process; declaring the use and cultivation of soil for agricultural purposes an ordinary use and declaring the use of soil for dredging purposes an extraordinary and uncommon use; declaring a State policy to encourage the cultivation of soil; declaring a State policy to protect the soil within the State; providing for the application to the State Water Commission for permission to carry on dredging operations; providing for the contents of applications for a permit to dredge; providing a procedure for the State Water Commission upon receipt of an application to dredge; providing for an inspection of the soil intended to be dredged; providing for a time and place for hearing said applications and a procedure at such hearing; providing for a determination by said State Water Commission of said application; providing for the issuance of a license to dredge; providing the contents of said license; providing a pun'shment for a violation of this Act and repealing Acts or parts of Acts in conflict herewith.

The People of the State of California do Enact as Follows:

Section 1. The use and cultivation of soil for agricultural purposes within the State of California is an ordinary use of said soil and is necessary for the future subsistence, livelihood and prosperity of the people of the State, and the use of the soil within the State of California for dredging purposes is an extraordinary and uncommon use.

Sec. 2. It is hereby declared to be the policy of the State of California to encourage the cultivation of the soil within the State for the product on of food supplies, and in furtherance of said policy it is hereby declared to be the intention of the State of California to encourage the production of food supplies by means of agriculture, to protect the soil within the State and to prevent its destruction or its deterior-

ation to such a degree as to make it useless for agricultura' purposes.

- Sec. 3. Any person, f'rm, association or corporation hereafter intending to mine soil within the State for gold or other precious metal, by means of the process known as dredgings, before the commencement of dredging operations or performing any work upon said soil in connection with said dredging or proposed dredging, shall make a written application in duplicate to the State Water Commission for a permit to perform said dredging, and no person, firm, association or corporation shall perform any such dredging without first complying with the provisions of the Act; (provided, that any person, firm, association or corporation, now mining soil within the State, for gold or other precious metal by means of the process known as dredging, may make application for permission to mine soil within the State, as provided by this Act at any time within six months from and after the passage of this Act; and provided, further, that any such person, firm, association or corporation, now mining soil within the State may continue such operations without any license during said six months and pending a decision on the application for a permit as provided in this act.)
- Sec. 4. Every application for a permit to mine for gold or other precious metals by means of dredging process shall set forth the 3-ldence, or principal place of business, if the applicant be a corporation, furnish the post office address of the applicant; the location of the soil proposed to be dredged, giving the name of the county wherein situated; the amount of soil proposed to be dredged; expressed by metes and bounds so as to be readily located and identified: the nature of said soil (whether rocky, sandy or otherwise); whether said soil, before the date of said application has been put under cultivation, or whether then under cultivation, and if so, the nature of the crops produced from said soil, and the approximate value of the last crop produced; whether in the opinion of said applicant said soil is more valuable for agricultural purposes than for said dredging purposes; and if, in the opinion of said applicant, said soil is more valuable for agricultural than for said dredging purposes, whether, in the opinion of said applicant, the said soil can be restored after said dredging operations to a condition of usefulness and fertility for agricultural purposes

equal to the condition of said soil at the time of filing said application.

- Sec. 5. Upon the receipt of an application under this Act sa'd commission shall cause the soil described in the application to be examined to ascertain the amount of soil adopted for agricultural purposes. Sa'd soil suitable for agricultural purposes shall be removed ahead of dredging and even y distributed over rocks and debris, to rear of dredging so that land will be in as good condition for agricultural purposes as it was before dredging. Examination shall be made within a time fixed by said Commission, but within not more than thirty days from the filing of the application. Upon the receipt of said report the commission shall fix a time and place for hearing said application and shall notify the applicant by registered mail of said time and place, which said time shall not be more than sixty days from the date of filing the application.
- Sec. 6. (a) Upon said hearing the applicant may appear and present evidence in support of the application. commissioner shal' within thirty days after the close of said hearing determine whether the soil mentioned in said application is more valuable for agriculture than for dredging purposes, and if it so determines shall deny the application; provided, that license may be granted as provided in subdivision (b) of this section. If the commission determines that the soil described in the applicaion is not more valuable for agricultural purposes than for dredging purposes the application shall be granted and a license issued accordingly. In determining the relative value of said soil for agricultural purposes and for said dredging purposes the commission shall not be limited to a consideration of the value of the annual production from said soil by use thereof for agricultural purposes, but shall take into consideration the future and natural continued use of said soil for agricultura |purposes.
- (b) If it appears to the satisfaction of the commission that said soil is more va'uable for agricultural purposes than for said mining purposes, but that sa'd soil can be restored after said dredging operations to a condition of usefulness and fertility for agricultural purposes, equal to the condition of said soil at the time of filing said application, the com-

mission may grant the application and issue a license accordingly.

- (c) The 'icense shall specify the name of the licensee, the amount of soil to be dredged, and shall contain a particular description of the soil to be dredged. If the commission has determined that the soil is more valuable for agricultural purposes than for dredging purposes but has granted the application and ordered a license issued accordingly on the ground that said soi can be restored after said dredging operation to a condition of usefulness and fertility for agricultural purposes equal to the condition of said soil at the time of filing said application, sa'd license shall contain a statement accordingly and a direction that the said soil sha'l be restored after said dredging operations to a condition of usefulness and fertility for agricultural purposes equal to the condition of said soil at the time of filing said application, and said directions shall be a condition of said permit and if at any time the said licensee fails or refuses to restore said so'l in accordance with said direction the said license may be revoked as a penalty for the breach of said condition, in addition to the other penalties provided herein, for violations of this Act. The commission may issue a license to the applicant to dredge a less amount of soil than that specified in the application, but shall not issue a license to dredge soil other than that mentioned in the application.
- Sec. 7. Any violation of the provisions of this Act is hereby decared to be a misdemeanor and shall be punished by a fine of five thousand dollars or by imprisonment in the county jail, not exceeding one year, or by both such fine and imprisonment. Whenever in this act the performance or doing of certain acts or things by any firm, association or corporation is made a misdemeanor and the penalty provided therefor, the person, officer, member, manager, agent, director or employee of any such firm, association or corporation or who by vote, act, authorization, direction, order or request shall have caused such act or thing to be done is likewise and in the same manner guilty of a misdemeanor and shall

be punished likewise and in the same manner as the person actual y performing or doing the act or thing.

Sec. 8. All acts and parts of acts in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

RELATING TO EMPLOYMENT OF STATE ORGANIZER

(Introduced by J. N. Watt of Sacramento Grange)

Be It Resolved: That the State Grange should have a paid Organizer, working under the direction of the Worthw Master whose duty it shall be to organize new Granges. He shall also be an authorized agent of the Grange Fraternal Fire Insurance Association, and have other possible duties.

Be It Resolved: That the executive committee is now instructed to use diligence to employ an organ'zer to work under the direction of the State Master.

RELATING TO A GRANGE PUBLICATION

(Introduced by Mrs. Inez I. Spannaus)

Resolved: That the Worthy Lecturer be authorized to issue a Quarterly Bulletin from his office to the Subordinate Grange Lecturers, as a means of better team work.

RELATING TO FIFTH DEGREE MEMBERS

(Introduced by Mrs. Nettie Holmes of Sacramento Grange)

Be It Resolved: That when a member has received the Fifth Degree at a meeting of the State Grange, and subsequently applies for membership in h's or her County Pomona Grange, such person may be admitted to membership on the presentation of a certificate of Fifth Degree membership from the State Grange, and the payment of one year's dues in the said Pomona Grange.

RELATING TO ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Amended by Stanley B. Smith

Whereas: Much valuable time is often consumed in the election of officers of State and Subordinate Granges by a

number of members each receiving a few votes for an office, therefore be it

Resolved: That Section 3 of Article 6, Constitution for Subordinate Granges, and Section 2 Article 3, Constitution of California State Grange be amended by adding thereto the following, viz:

All elections shall be by paper ballot, and if no member receives a majority of all the votes cast on the first ballot then after three ballots have been cast, if there be no election, then the three highest shall be the candidates.

REPORTS OF SUBORDINATE GRANGES AMERICAN RIVER

Worthy Master, Officers and Members of California State Grange:

American River Grange, No. 172, sends greetings to this the Fiftieth Annual Meeting of our State Grange.

I am pleased to report that during the last year our members have shown more interest in Grange work. We have discussed matters of vital importance, such as the county charter, and the State Water and Power Act, as well as made needed improvements to our hall, installed electric lights and running water, and graded and graveled one half mile of road adjacent to our hall.

We were favored twice during the past year with visits from our Worthy State Master and Sister Harrison, once to install our officers and once to witness the exemplification of the 1st nad 2nd Degrées given by our drill team composed entirely of Sisters, to a class of eight people.

We have planned a series of dances and other social entertainments for the coming winter, for the benefit of our younger people, and to raise funds to further improve our hall and pay for our new piano.

We regret very much the death of one of our oldest and most faithful workers, Sister Alice Bryan.

American River Grange wishes this one-half century

milestone a most successful and pleasant meeting

Fraternally submitted,

L. F. BIGGS, Master.

ANTELOPE

Worthy Master, Brothers and S'sters of California State Grange:

It is with the deepest regret that I mail this report instead of presenting it personally. Circumstances have made it impossible for either myself or the alternate delegate to attend.

Antelope Grange can report a very successful year, in that we have retired all our debts. This leaves us with a beautiful open air platform added to our Grange park.

Attendance has not been all that might have been wished for but I think this has been due more to bad roads and an exceptionally busy season rather than a lack of interest in the Grange work. Grange members in co-operation with others in the community have started the ball rolling to overcome the greatest obstacle to our progress—Bad Roads. A paved highway is now under construction which leads almost to our very door.

We were greatly honored this year by a visit from Brother Harrison, our Worthy State Master. We feel that we benefited greatly from the instructions and advice that we received from him and are truly a better Grange as a result. Wishing you all the best of good luck.

Respectfully,

HUBERT C. DAVIS,

Master Antelope Grange, No. 161.

AROMAS

Greetings to the Officers and Members of the State Grange From Aromas Grange, No. 361:

Our grange is still growing—now having 190 members and 10 applications.

We are proud that our new hall is completed and dedicated. It is 58 by 78 feet and contains main hall, dining room, kitchen, children's room, ladies' rest room, fire place and is equipped with all the modern convenences. It cost \$5,000 and all the Granges are actively co-operating in giving enjoyable social entertainments to pay for it.

We take a leading part in community activities We built a dam in the Pajaro river for a swimming pool and boating, furnished tables, two cement furnaces and bath house. It was enjoyed by people for miles around.

We also placed an excellent exhibit in the Autumn Festival held in Watsonville.

We formed a drill team which we expect to be a credit to the Aromas Grange in the near future.

Fraternally submitted,

MURDOCH NICHOLSON, Master.

BELLEVUE

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

Bellevue Grange, No. 374, sends greetings to this the fiftieth anniversary. After a most successful year, I am glad to report that we have reached over the 200 mark. Our members are all in good standing and realize what being a good Granger means.

We entertained several prominent speakers, made our Lecturer's hour educational as well as pleasant, and donated our hall to the schools for their use. We have entertained Sisters and neighboring Granges.

Our State Master Harrison inspected our Grange at a pleasant meeting. Bellevue Grangers are boosting for a Sonoma County State meeting for next year.

Fraternally yours,

ALEXANDER DOUGLASS, Master. WINIFRED F. GORDON, Alt.

BENNETT VALLEY

Worthy Master, Fellow Members of State Grange of Californa.:

Through the unavoidable absence of our Worthy Master, M. L. Rogina, it becomes my duty to render a short report for Bennett Valley Grange.

Our Grange is doing well along the lines it has been following for nearly half a century. Our meetings are well attended and we take up questions of local, State and national interest not forgetting our young people and their welfare, and the things that brings them and holds them in our Fraternity.

Our Grange has always been first and foremost, working for that which makes for community betterment and improvement. Some years ago we organized our own telephone company, that has been of inestimable value to our people. Then, as time passed on, we wanted electric light and power and now we have it installed. A large sum of money had to be raised so our Grange went to the bat and subscribed one thousand dollars toward the fund. It looked like a rather big undertaking but by united effort our obligation will soon be cancelled. Our Grange Home is now as well lighted inside and out as anyone could wish and we are proud of our achievement.

And when any other big proposition presents itself we will tackle it in the same spirit and we will win.

We close with the earnest hope that this session of the State Grange of California, held in this pleasant spot on the shores of our Pacific, will be everything that our hearts could wish.

Respectfully submitted,

PETER HANSON, Alternate.

BESWICK

To the Officers and Members of the California State Grange:

Beswick Grange, No. 396, was organized August 26th of this

year, by district deputy, W. Halbert Smith, with thirty-two charter members.

We have since taken in three members, and have five more applications.

We are a small community in the Klamath canyon and have the distriction of being one of the youngest Granges in the State.

We have no suggestions to make at this time, however we are earnest in the work of the Grange, and hope to accomplish something worth while within the next year.

Fraternally,

Beswick Grange, No. 396,

INEZ I. SPANNAUS.

Master.

BOGUS

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

Bogus Grange was organized August 28, 1922, with thirtyone charter members. Meetings are held on the second and third Saturdays of each month.

We have taken in two new members and have twelve candidates for initiation for October 28. We hope to meet with you next year with our membership near the 100 mark.

Respectfully submitted,

ARTHUR JONES,

Master.

COMMUNITY

To the Officers and Members of California State Grange:

Community Grange, No. 388, has had a hard year, yet we are active in the work, hopeful of the present, and with a

vision for the future firmly believe there is a place in the sun for us.

We have exchanged vis'ts with Aromas and Elkhorn Granges to our advantage, and we have received much inspiration from our County Pomona.

We have held a few open meetings that were well attended. At one meeting we had Prof. Bloss of the Agricultural Department of the Salinas High School with us. He gave an instructive talk on the work of h's department, and on the aims and objects of the school.

We are taking a leading part towards consolidated schools for our section.

We took a very active part in securing a telephone system for our community.

We are taking an active interest in good roads.

We entertained the County Pomona Grange in June.

We greatly enjoyed the visit of State Master Harrison and wife, and were greatly cheered by their counsel and good wishes.

Hoping for a prosperous and successful year to come, and with fath in our order and its future, we expect to make a decided advance.

Fraternally submitted,

C. L. WINTERS.

Master.

DANVILLE

To the Officers and Members of California State Grange:

Danville Grange, No. 85, reports as follows: In the year just closing we have initiated forty new members in three classes. We now have a total membership of one hundred and forty six.

We have spent considerable time on the degree work,

especially the Lady Assistant Steward who has originated elaborate paraphernalia for this work.

Our Grange has greatly assisted in all movements of public benefit, such as fire districts, good roads, Mt. Diablo, public parks, etc.

We have enjoyed entertaining the Worthy State Master on several occasions.

We have opened our meetings to public speakers on most of the issues now before the voters.

We have given entertainments for the benefit of a new p'ano. Our Lecturer always has good lecture hours.

Since brevity is required of this report, I will simply add that our Grange is prospering and has lots of Faith, Hope and considerable Charity.

Fraternally submitted,

W. E. STEWART, Master.

DINUBA

To the Worthy Master, Officers and Members of California State Grange, Dinuba Grange, No. 342, sends greetings:

We beg to report a membership of 102, alive and active members with an average attendance of 45. We have initiated 17 new members this year. We have lost two by death, Bro. Mortimer Whitehead and Sister Gustin, who was a member of the Ladies' Degree team.

Our meetings are held on the first Saturday afternoon and second Saturday evening of each month. During the summer months all meetings are held in the evening.

Our Lecturer, Brother Shimer, furnishes us with a good, well arranged program each meeting, all concluding with a special feature of which no one knows anything except those in charge, which is always very interesting and entertaining.

We hold the honor of having the largest club subscription to the Grange monthly.

We have now in our Grange a Ladies' Degree team, which has mastered the r'tualistic work and is taking great interest in the work, and are putting on the initiations in a most creditable manner, assisted by a tableau for each degree, which makes the work very impressive.

We very much appreciated the visit of our State Master and wife, Brother and Sister Harrison, and think the instructions he gave us were very helpful and encouraging.

We were much disappointed that more of the State Grange members did not spend the r vacation with us at General Grant's park.

Our crops are very good this year, notwithstanding we had a frost this spring that did considerable damage to the Thompson crop, but the prices are much lower than last year and the car shortage is hindering the moving of our table grapes very materially.

Some are fearful that a great amount of our fruit will be on the vines when winter comes. The shortage of labor held the picking back until so late that several of our members who intended to be here were compelled to stay at home and box raisins. We have been greatly blessed with weather, no rain of any consequence yet this season.

Last year we told you of the prospect of having a new Fraternal hall, in which eight Fraternal societies of Dinuba are interested. Now this hall is well under way and will be completed before another year.

At our regular meeting in September it was unan mously voted to extend a hearty and cordial invitation to California State Grange to meet with us in Dinuba, Tulare County, in 1923.

Respectfully submitted,

J. H. LaRUE, Master.

DORRIS

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

Dorris Grange, No. 393, sends her best wishes for a pleasant and constructive meeting.

We have had a very good year, membership 163; going to make it 200 by the end of the year. Have a nice lot of new members coming in at our next meeting and hope for still better times next year. We have had a loss in our Grange. Master Jehu Hayworth and Brother Otha Wilkins were killed at a railroad crossing by a passenger train on June 9th of this year.

We have had a visit from Brother Halbert Sm'th who inspected our Grange. His words of counsel were a great help and guidance to our members.

Wishing California State Grange a successful future we are.

Yours fraternally,

Dorris Grange, No. 393,

GEORGE OTTO, Master.

EDGEWOOD

To the Officers and Members of California State Grange, Edgewood Grange, No. 385, sends greetings:

We have now about 40 members and prospects of more members very soon. We were visited and entertained by the Worthy State Master, wife and granddaughter, and they were highly appreciated. We are sorry that our first Master Brother J. J. Murphy, could not be at this session of the State Grange, but we have work for him at home this year, for we have indorsed the Volstead Act, and stand for law and order, and think Brother Murphy is the man to elect for supervisor to carry out our wishes.

Respectfully submitted,

G. F. BEHNKEY, Master.

J. L. JONES, Alternate.

ELK GROVE

To the Officers and Members of the State Grange of Call-

fornia, Session of 1922, Greeting:

Elk Grove Grange, No. 86, reports a past year of tense life and energy crammed full of work on vital questions of the widest scope.

We have exchanged telegrams with President Hard ng on national questions. Started action upon a crying State crime in the gold dredging matter, and devoted unstinted work on the County Charter, preparation and election, bes'des various activities on closer local matters. These enumerations are simply illustrative of our greatest trouble which is in getting through our work in reasonable time.

In our Lecturer's Department we have had programs of literary and musical numbers and farces, secured imported speakers on the broader topics and debated with our neighbor Grange on the November ballot questions.

The State Deputy for this district, Bro. George Sehlmeyer, belonging to our Grange, State Master Harrison sent a special deputy in the person of Brother Mark Hunt who gave our Grange a full inspection, including observance of the manual, business routine, officer's duties, Degree work and Secretary's and Treasurer's books.

We wish to publish from the house tops the fine Grange hosp tality afforded an auto load of our members who drove 135 miles to a meeting of Sebastopol Grange. Past State Master Hunt was our guide for the last several miles of the trip made in the dark. State Master Harrison and his genial wife were there and the reception, entertainment and "eats" cannot be equalled outs de of Grange circles. We hope to exchange like courtesies with these good people.

Respectfully submitted,

PHILIP B. SMITH, Master.

ELKHORN

Elkhorn Grange, No. 387, is in a flourishing condition. Regular meetings are held the second and fourth Saturdays in each month.

During the past month a nice class of new members has been added, and quite a number of old members reinstated.

Among the good things Elkhorn has accomplished—with the assistance of the community—is the establishing of a farmers' phone line.

The officers and members of Elkhorn extend a cordia welcome to the officers and delegates of the State Grant

JOSEPH A. KIRBY, Master J. S. CAMPBELL, Alternate.

FORESTVILLE

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

Forestville Grange. No. 367, meets in I. O. O. F. Hall the second and fourth Thursday evening of each month.

Last year our Grange had only 36 members. It has been more prosperous the past year, we now have 64 members. Our new members are mostly all young people. We have a drill team of young ladies for 1st and 2nd degrees. Drill teams from Santa Rosa and Sebastopol have kindly put on the 3rd and 4th degrees for us.

Sonoma County Pomona Grange was entertained at Mirabel Park last June and a banquet enjoyed. Bennett Valley Grange entertained us during Lecturer's hour recently.

Interest shown by members in Grange work is good.

Early in the year we were called to mourn the loss of our brother, William Lehn, husband of Past Master Minnie S. Lehn. A brother ever ready to do his part and always to be depended upon.

. In conclusion, we are looking forward to better things, and hope the Grange will be of great benefit to the farmers.

Fraternally submitted,
N. W. HARBINE, Master.

FORT ROMIE

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

Fort Romie Grange, No. 358, extends greetings to this, the

golden jubilee session of the State Grange. Our Grange has not come up to the wishes or expectations of the writer and at one time during the year he wondered if our Grange was worth the cost, but after go'ng over the work of twelve years and recalling to memory the many good deeds it has brought about, he is forced to the conclusion that our Grange shall not perish, notwithstanding the fact that some of our most faithful members have moved away.

During the summer months our attendance was light, this should not have been, but it was. At present we have 89 members with good prospects for more. We send the National Grange monthly to the homes of all our members. We find that a great many of them keep posted in Grange work through this magazine. Also that the local press if furnished with such items as should be published are glad to do it.

During the last year we have been called upon to pry a last tribute to two of our faithful ones, Sister Scott and Bro. Paulsen.

Our Worthy State Master and his wife have met with us three times during the year and his timely remarks have not been in vain.

Fraternally submitted,

LEE DUDGEON, Master

GAZELLE

To the Officers and Members of California State Grange, Gazelle Grange, No. 380, sends greetings:

Bearing in mind the need of terse reports from the numerous Granges that more time may be given to the great problems of the day, I beg to submit this condensed report: We, at Gazelle, are an earnest, harmonious bunch of Grange workers, putting forth our best efforts to bring the farmers together for their business interest and social pleasure.

We have not missed having a meeting this year and have called a few special ones to dispose of our work. We have initiated twelve new members, had the pleasure of a visit from the Worthy State Master and wife, and State Deputy Granville Libby, also two social and an inspection visit from

Deputy W. Halbert Smith, all of which helped to inspire and encourage us.

On the second Saturday in December we will entertain Siskiyou County Pomona Grange, a joy and a delight, for here is the cream of Grange work.

We have discussed many of the leading questions such as strikes, the breaking up of the S. P. and C. P. lines, Wright Act, Water and Power Act, buying and sellingly wages, and many other questions with reference to their effect upon the farmers.

We are proud to be the parent Grange of our beloved County and take a paternal interest in the eleven other Granges that join with us in a desire to make the Grange the shield of the nation.

Fraternally,

ALICE E. WILLIAMS, Master.

GEYSERVILLE

To the Officers and Members of California State Grange:

As Master of Geyserville Grange, No. 312, I submit the following report:

I regret very much that I cannot attend the State Grange session.

I am glad to say that our Grange is progressing very nicely. We had a good attendance and interest until the busy fruit season, and now, as the busy season is about over, I think the attendance will again be good.

We have not gained in membership as I think we should have, only taking in eight new members. We lost eleven members, six by dimit and five for non-payment of dues, but we still have a membership of 149 in good standing.

Some of our committee reports have been very interesting, especially those of the Agricultural and Home Economics Committees.

We meet the second and fourth Thursday evening of

each month, and have held all regular meetings, and four special ones during the year.

Much credit is due our Worthy Lecturer for furnishing us with good programs. We enjoyed three especially interesting programs—a Washington, a Lincoln, and a Memorial.

We were instrumental in getting the Railroad Commission to restrain the railroad from closing a crossing at our Prune Association Packing Plant.

We presented a resolution in regard to beautifying the highways to our Pomona Grange, which, I believe, they adopted.

Our Grange was inspected on Oct. 4, by our Worthy State Master, Geo. R. Harrison.

We entertained Pomona Grange on Flora's Day.

Our financial condition is good.

With best wishes for a pleasant and beneficial gathering at Asilomar.

Fraternally submitted,

GEO. L. HENDRICKS, Master.

GREENFIELD

Worthy Master, Officers and Members of California State Grange:

Greenfield Grange, No. 357, P. of H., begs leave to submit the following report. Our meetings are held regularly on the second and fourth Friday nights of each month, and we have had a very good attendance at all meetings. We have a membership of 157 at present and are pushing out for more. We had many resignations of officers the first half of the year and got behind with our dues to the State Grange. But we came to, so to speak, and got busy and gave an entertainment that put over \$125.00 in our treasury. We initiated the largest class in the history of the Greenfield Grange this year, the class being 21 in number. We formed a Ladies' Degree team, which is doing splendid work.

We have our meetings in the Grammar School Auditorium which is ample to accommodate a large body.

We have had some very helpful literary hours by having an outside speaker occasionally. Our Worthy State Master and Sister Harrison have been to visit us twice during the year.

We have acted on all resolutions that have come up for consideration, and as a whole, our Grange, is what it should be.

Fraternally,

L. J. CARSON, Master.

GREENHORN

To the Officers and Members of California State Grange, Greetings:

To Greenhorn Grange, No. 384, the past year has been a prosperous one with a steady gain in membership and interest as proven by its increasing attendance at meetings.

The Grange has become a recognized power for good in the County and much credit was given the order for its co-operation in the recent fair. Several Granges displayed their individual booths and received handsome trophy cups as special awards.

The program during lecture hour is usually well-filled with educational numbers.

The press is always well supplied with items of the Order's activities.

A special study is being made of the proposed amendments to the Constitution.

Our financial standing is substantial.

Hoping the glorious Siskiyou County will, in the near future, have the pleasure of again welcoming you in convention, and that this fiftieth session will be a profitable one to all. I respectfully submit this report.

Fraternally,

GEO. K. BRAY, Master.

GUENOC

Worthy Master and Patrons of California State Grange:

With feelings of pleasure does Guenoc Grange extend fraternal greetings to the membership of the California State Grange.

Guenoc Grange cannot report the progress we would like, yet, in looking backward, we find that the year has not been altogether void of results.

We have made a substantial addition to the hall and purchased a player piano at a cost of \$700.00.

The Grange is the leader in all social activities in the community and many pleasant events have taken place under its leadership. A delightful Hallowe'en party was given at the hall with all the fun-making stunts peculiar to that occasion.

An entertaining Thanksgiving evening was a success in every way. And a community Christmas tree was also an enjoyable occasion. Public dances are frequently held and the proceeds help to pay for the piano. A minstrel show given by the Grange was literally a "howling success." And so the Grange aims to meet the needs of the community.

We have held our regular meetings with a fair attendance.

Being composed of human beings, we have had some differences. We believe, however, that the fraternal spirit of the Grange will triumph over petty feelings and the future of Guenoc Grange be brighter than the past.

"Clouds which rise with thunder slake
Our thirsty souls with rain;
The blow—most dreaded—falls to break
From off our limbs a chain."

Yours fraternally,

GRANVILLE LIBBY, Alternate.

HAPPY CAMP

To the Worthy Master, Officers and Members of California State Grange: During the past year our Grange at Happy Camp has prospered and achieved substantial progress. At the last State Grange we had 68 charter members. Ten of these have been suspended, but we have initiated 17 new ones, and now have an active membership of 75.

Our officers are attentive to their duties and unsalfishly devote time and labor to the welfare of the Grange.

An active interest has been taken in all questions of public importance. We have enjoyed visits from State Master and Mrs. Harrison, the Siskiyou Pomona Grange, and from Deputy District Inspector, W. Halbert Smith.

Isolated as we are from the established routes of travel, the Grange at Happy Camp is in a very real sense the social center of the Community, and by its public acts has firmly established itself in the confidence of the people. We have held picnics and entertainments, and have recently purchased a piano for our Grange hall.

Fraternally submitted,

C. RALPH GORDON, Master By JAMES B. NESBIT, Alternate.

HORNBROOK

Worthy Masters, Officers and Members of California State Grange:

In this, the second report of Hornbrook Grange, No. 391, I take great pleasure in informing you that Hornbrook Grange is steadily growing both in numbers and attendance.

Our Worthy Lecturer, Mrs. Waters, has usually had an interesting program for the lecture hour. The Siskiyou County Fair Association offered a large silver trophy cup for the best Grange exhibit at the County Fair to be won by points, said cup to be won three times before becoming the permanent property of a Grange. Hornbrook Grange won it this year and we are herewith serving notice on the

other Granges of the County that we intend to keep it. It will take some exhibit to take it away from us.

Yours fraternally,

WALTER H. BRAY, Master. By JENNIE BRAY, Alternate.

MOUNTAIN VIEW

Worthy State Master, Officers and Members:

Another cycle of time and we are again to compare notes on our labors. It is fitting that we are assembled under the sheltering roof of a Christian organization on the shores of the grand old Pacific, in historic Monterey County, to celebrate our fiftieth anniversary.

Again Mountain View Grange, No. 332 brings glad greetings to this State Grange Session. Ably assisted by our Brothers, we ladies are still in command, working and striving, and doing our very best to keep the standard of our order 100 per cent. efficient and up-to-date.

Our treasury looks good. As members we have 144 Brothers and 158 Sisters—a gain of 60 during the year, making our membership at present 302. We have applicants waiting to take the degrees.

Our Worthy State Master George R. Harrison and wife honored us with their presence on two separate occasions. We appreciated their coming and the good influence of their coming was keenly felt.

We have taken part in the welfare of our community. Our Grange float took first prize in the Prune and Apricot Exposition parade, and this fall our float was very well spoken of. Our drill team, armed with corn stalks, made a real hit in the limelights of this parade.

The proceeds of our Penny Drill is used to gladden the hearts of those who are less fortunate.

Again we have occasion to boast of the efficiency of our Worthy Lecturer, Clara I. Smith, who is master of her office and untiring in her efforts to make each meeting a success.

While attending the State Grange outing this summer in beautiful General Grant Park, we had reason to thank the good Sisters and Brothers of Tulare County many times for the delightful time we had while in their midst. The efficient manner and commendable way they conducted this week of rest, pleasure and entertainment will long be remembered by those present.

In conclusion Mountain View Grange is made up of reprepeople of our locality. The members are all good, busy people striving to do well.

Respectfully submitted,

ANNIE GERRELLS, Master.

NAPA

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

In the interest of economy of time I will endeavor to make this report very brief. I am glad to state that Napa Grange is still on the up-grade and has passed a very successful year. We have initiated twelve members, dimitted seven and suspended one for non-payment of dues, giving us a net gain of four, and making our present membership 127.

We have held our full quota of regular meetings, besides three or four special meetings. The attendance has been good and the interest manifested has been very gratifying.

The lecture hour has been given its due time and place and has been systematically carried out, making it an important factor in our Grange activities. We have enjoyed some very interesting and instructive programs. The roll call which our lecturer has introduced is producing good. results. Members who thought they couldn't say anything, and would never voluntarily speak upon any question, find that by this method they can almost make a speech. It is an educator, and at the same time is very interesting and entertaining.

We are still continuing the publication of the Grange Bulletin. It has been running over four years and has never missed an issue. I consider it is one of our best assets—not only in disseminating knowledge and keeping the members posted on the local affairs of the Grange, but as a source of revenue measured in dollars and cents.

Nearly a year ago we enlarged the size, making it a three-column, eight-page paper, and added a commercial feature—advertising, from which we are receiving from seven to ten dollars per month net.

Is the Washintgon office of any practical use to the local Grange? Let's see. A petition was made to the Post Office Department for a new mail route which would accommodate a large number of farmers, within the jurisdiction of this Grange After due course of 'red tape" proceedings, the Post Office Department established the route on practically the old boundary lines, leaving a large number of farmers without proper service. Of course they made a protest but without results. Then, members of the Grange took the matter up with Dr. Atkeson, our Grange representative at Washington, with the result that the former order was vacated or modified so as to give the service asked for in the original petition.

We have received enjoyable visits from our State Master Brother Harrison and his wife and also from State Inspector. Brother Griffith,

We have received visits from the Silverado and Rutherford Granges and returned them with interest. Sometimes these visits were in the shape of surprise parties and were often very amusing.

Many interesting details could be given, but in this report I have endeavored to hit only the high spots.

Napa Grange entertained the Napa-Lake Pomona Grange in July. A large delegation was present from Santa Rosa, Sacramento and Petaluma. This was one of the successful affairs Grangedom is noted for.

Fraternally submitted,

JOHN HARTLEY, Master.

ORANGE VALE

Worthy State Master and Members of California State

Grange:

Orange Vale has about twenty-five members on its 10ll. In the past nine months we have had nine regular meetings and two special meetings. Our Grange has lost four members by their moving out of the community. We have lost one by death, one whom we deeply mourn and miss, Mrs. George A. Bailey, who died March 3, 1922.

We had a visit on April 13 from our Worthy State Master and Mrs. Harrison, and conferred the third and fourth degrees on one member.

We have endorsed several resolutions. Our Lecturer was not with us very often, finally moving away. Our Lady Assistant Steward took charge of the Lecturer's hour quite often, and prepared some very instructive as well as interesting programs. The two most elaborate programs were on January 25, when we had movie pictures of five reels along educational lines, and then on February 22 each member was given a small red, white and blue shield, in keeping with the date, with a topic on which she or he was to talk three minutes. We have done our best during the past months, and hope for the better future.

Respectfully submitted,

WARREN M. MORSE, Master.

ORCHARD CITY

To the Worthy Master, Officers and Members of California State Grange, Orchard City Grange, No. 333, Patrons of Husbandry sends greetings to the State Grange at Asilomar, California:

In presenting my second report as Master of Orchard City Grange, I take great pleasure in stating that our Grange is not only one year older, but stronger in membership and influence in home and community interests. We have met twice each month for the past year. Our meetings are well attended even in the busy season with fully 25 per cent, attendance up to as high as 75 per cent. Our present membership is 243 active members, with several candidates balloted on who are waiting for initiation.

We have been favored by two visits by our Worthy State

Master, Brother G. R. Harrison, one for inspection. It is not only a benefit but a pleasure to meet with Brother Harrison.

We have had several open meetings during our Lecturer's hour, with well informed speakers explaining the pros and cons of the several amendments to be voted upon at the coming election.

We entertained, in May, the Santa Clara County, Pomona Grange with a record-breaking attendance and enthusiasm.

Our penny drill at each meeting is the means of expressing our interest in the members who are sick and to remind them that they are not forgotten.

We have lost by death in the past year three of our respected members, Sister L. L. Archibald, Bro. G. G. Mc-Chesney and Bro. G. Phelps.

In conclusion I must express my appreciation of the loyal support of every officer and member of our Grange, making special mention of our Worthy Secretary, Sister A. C. Keesling, and our Worthy Lecturer, Sister Ida Clendening.

My experience as Master has been a pleasure and I can't remember one unpleasant incident in my term of office, the experiences and remembrances of which I shall treasure with joy on life's pathway.

Fraternally submitted,

W. R. COUPLAND, Master.

PETALUMA

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

Petaluma Grange, No. 23, P. of H., sends greetings and best wishes for a successful annual meeting.

We can report having enjoyed, on the whole, what may be termed a good year. Though our membership has increased but little, still we feel thankful in having progressed to some extent in numbers which are now 61 in good standing. Our losses have been one by withdrawal,

and two taken by the grim reaper. Only two meetings were missed for lack of a quorum, and all others have been well attended, entertaining and of much interest.

We have, during the year, been host to two Granges, viz: Bellevue and Sebastopol, whose members attended in splend.d representation and in each instance their crack drill teams put on the initiatory work in the third and fourth degrees.

We have also had other occasional visitors, including State Inspector, Brother W. V. Griffith.

It was our fortune in having opportunity to entertain the National Master, officers and members of the Portland, Oregon, meeting, some 90 all told, eminent eastern representatives of our order and high types of American citizenry. By invitation they came into Sonoma County while on their trip south through the State. We met them at a morning train and with automobiles, contributed by our members and others, drove them to points of interest, and finally to Santa Rosa, sixteen miles, in time for lunch served by Sonoma County Pomona Grange.

Our annual picnic was well attended in the redwoods on Russian river. Our interest in public affairs seems keen and we cannot help but feel confident that we are looked upon by the community as instrumental of much good. As exemplyfying this may be mentioned, the initiation of the organization of a committee of representatives of thirteen other fraternities which, together with ours, held a mass meeting on the Asiatic question. The publicity of which and the roused temper of the people, resulted in breaking up a scheme, nearly ripe, to colonize a large area of our County with Japanese. It also resulted in other local reforms pertaining to that question.

While our farming operations have not been as remunerative as we could wish, still we are thankful for what has come to us and are hopeful for the future in this, as well as the welfare of our order.

Respectfully and fraternally submitted,

C. A. BODWELL, Master.

POPLAR

To the Officers and Members of California State Grange:

Poplar Grange, No. 359, sends greetings, and trusts that the annual session of the State Grange will be a most beneficial one to all attending.

Poplar is able to report that this year has been one of increasing interest, while our membership has not increased noticeably, having lost some by dimit, non-payment, etc., the classes we have taken in have produced some very live members.

In the spring, Poplar Grange was instrumental in the planting of 20 acres of grapes for a member of the community whose recent loss of husband and other misfortunes has made it difficult for her to carry out the planting.

At present Poplar Grange is attempting to interest the rest of the community in the construction of a Community Swimming Pool and Centre, so that the interest of the younger people will not be diverted elsewhere.

Fraternally submitted,

J. HAROLD CLOER, Master.

POTTER VALLEY

Worthy Master, Officers and Members of California State Grange:

It again gives me great pleasure to bring to you greetings from Potter Valley Grange, No. 115, Mendocino County. Not only have we managed to exist since we last met at Yreka, but we feel that we have gradually increased in growth and strength since that meeting. We have had our usual growth in membership, but especially have grown in attendance at meetings, and in interest manifested. I attribute no small amount of this increased attendance and interest to the efforts of our Worthy Lecturer. She took back to our Grange from the Yreka meeting a better understanding of her office, and an enthusiasm that has lasted through the

year. By all means would I suggest, "Send your Lecturer to the State Conventions."

Our consolidated schools and our branch High School, of which I spoke last year, are proving very successful.

During the last year we have expended upwards of \$800 in painting and repairing our Hall, also adding a beautifully painted curtain, and we still have funds in the treasury.

Early in the year we organized a Ladies' Drill team. On one of State Master Harrison's visits, this team instructed a class in the third and fourth degrees, and was complimented very highly by our Worthy State Master, for its efficiency.

Bro. Harrison and wife visited us twice during the year, and needless to say these visits were very instructive as well as enjoyable events.

Our meetings have been held regularly on the second and fourth Saturdays of each month, the second Saturdays in the afternoon, and the fourth in the evening. This arrangement has proven very satisfactory.

Fraternally submitted,

J. G. NEWMAN, Master.

RUTHERFORD

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

Rutherfod Grange sends you greetings. I am sorry not to be with you, but due to the unfavorable climatic conditions, the necessity of harvesting crops immediately, I find it inexpedient to leave at this time. Nevertheless, I am with you in spirit and trust that the Fiftieth Annual Session may be the most profitable and enjoyable one ever experienced by the California State Grange.

Rutherford Grange is not as strong as it was a year ago, either in membership or the interest shown in the Grange meetings. I cannot account for this for our Lecture Hour

is exceptionally fine, being diversified, instructive and entertaining.

In spite of the lack of interest shown by some of the members, we still feel that our organization is a help to the community. We still maintain our free library, which is extensively patronized by nearly all the families in the community.

Early in the year we made improvements on our hall to the extent of \$2,000. Through the faithful co-operation of all of our loyal workers, we have raised sufficient funds to pay off all but \$400 of this debt. By the end of the year we hope that will also be paid. Out of debt, with only minor improvements to make on our hall, we can devote more time to real Grange work, and as a result, we liot forward to a very prosperous year.

Fraternally submitted,

FRANK WOOD, Master.

SACRAMENTO

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

Sacramento Grange, No. 12 sends greetings.

We are glad to report our Grange in a healthy, happy and prosperous condition.

Ours is the best subordinate Grange in the State of California, and with all confidence we admit it, and we aim to make the endorsement of Sacramento Grange mean something.

One of our best meetings of the year was held in conjunction with Sacramento County Pomona Grange when we listened to an exhaustive debate of the Water and Power Act by two of the most prominent debaters of this subject. We listened; but Sacramento Grange took no official action. We were well aware that the State Grange was on record and being quoted as endorsing this proposed amendment.

We believe in unity and loyalty to our State and National Granges. By unity of action alone can we succeed.

We have some resolutions to present. They represent our earnest, careful, serious thought and we ask for your support for them.

Respectfully and fraternally submitted,

J. N. WATT, Master.

SAN JOSE

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

San Jose Grange, No. 10, P. of H., on the eve of its 50th birthday, brings greetings and congratulations to the State Grange on its 50th anniversary, and a goodly number of us have come to Asilomar to participate in the celebration.

Numerically our Grange is not especially strong but what we lack in number we endeavor to make up in Grange spirit.

We have added nine new members to our roll, by initiation since the first of the year, and hope for further increase before the year is out.

Regretfully I have to announce the passing away from active service during the year, of four faithful and much respected members. Bros. I. N. Leonard, Dr. J. D. Joseph, Sisters Martha A. Tibbitts, beloved wife of Past Master Charles F Tibbitts, and Laura J. Watkins, the latter being the last remaining charter member.

With regard to Sister Watkins I think it is fitting that I should say to the State Grange in brief, that she has left us at the ripe age of 89, having lived 72 years in Santa Clara County. Until recently totally incapacitated, she attended Grange, and she devoted a great part of her valuable life to Grange service. She possessed a wonderfully interesting personality and was always to be found in the van of progress and reform in its many aspects and especially in relation to the welfare and interests of womanhood.

Although our Grange meets every Saturday, the sessions are comparatively short, opening at 10:30 a.m. and closing

at 12:30 p.m. For this reason two meetings in each month are reserved for the Lecturer's Hour, and the remaining meetings are devoted to other necessary work.

We are under obligation to Sister Alice M. Abbott who, as our Lecturer, has provided many enjoyable programs suitable to our Grange, both musical and literary.

We have had three lectures of an especially educational value worthy of mention.

Miss Morton, Superintendent of Home Economics of the Teachers' College of San Jose, spoke on Home Economics. The Rev. Tully C. Knowles, President of the College of the Pacific, gave us a lecture, his subject being Lincoln and Washington, contrasting the two in their great work for this country and the world, also, our Sister Agnes Howe, Superintendent of Schools, Santa Clara County, lectured on Emigration. In my opinion emigration is a very worth while subject and of vital importance not only to the Grange but to all good citizens.

On September 16 the State Master, Geo. R. Harrison, accompanied by his wife, made his visit of inspection. The third and fourth degrees were conferred, after which the usual Harvest Feast was enjoyed.

The State Master gave us an instructive talk, some of his remarks were noted for future use and all of his speech much appreciated.

In closing I desire to express my appreciation for the hearty co-operation given by the Past Masters, Officers and members of the Grange. Being loyally supported by them all has made the duties of the Master easy as well as very pleasant.

Fraternally submitted,

JOSEPH H. BONE, Master.

SANTA ROSA

Worthy Master, Officers and Members of California State Grange:

As Master of Santa Rosa Grange I beg leave to submit the following report. Our meetings have been harmonious and instructive. State Master Harrison and wife, in a very impressive manner, jointly installed the officers of Bellevue and Santa Rosa Granges. The same evening the Ladies' Degree Staff of Bellevue Grange conferred the third and fourth degrees for us in a very beautiful manner.

Fraternal visits from Granges have been paid both by and to us, and we find such visits both helpful and enjoyable.

We have endeavored to cheer the sick by visits and by sending flowers and cards.

An Orphanage in an adjoining county burned, and a donation was made them.

Grammar and High School bonds were indorsed and worked for. The bonds carried.

The children of the Grange were entertained one evening, and it is hoped to make "children's night" an annual event.

Through the efforts of the Lecturer, the meetings have been entertaining and instructive and our aim is to work together so that the welfare of each is bound up in the good for all.

Bro. Libby of Middletown spoke to us on the Water and Power Act, and I believe convinced us of the necessity of voting against it.

We had inspection of officers by Past State Master Griffith of Geyserville, and entertained a goodly number of members from his home Grange.

Our Grange owes much of its success to our Worthy Lecturer, Miss F. L. Gamble, our Secretary Mrs. Martha Gamble, and other loyal members, who never tire in their efforts for the good of the Order.

Fraternally submitted,

S. McCANSE, Master. By S. H. STONE, Alternate.

SCOTT VALLEY

Worthy Master, Officers and Members of California State Grange:

Scott Valley Grange, No. 386, extends greetings to each and all of you represented in this our Fiftieth Annual State Grange Assembly.

The year 1922 has been one of prosperity for our Grange as an organization, and as individual Patrons of Husbandry, our loyalty toward the Grange as a Fraternity has grown.

We feel that we have accomplished several things that are truly worth while. We have succeeded in paying for our hall, a fact that makes us feel very proud. We have recently installed a radio receiving set in our hall from which we hope to receive material benefit in the future.

Our membership is steadily increasing, our Pairons now number over 200.

We are striving to uphold the rights of our agricultural brethren everywhere, and feel that our Grange is destined to become one of the most flourishing in Northern California.

Respectfully and fraternally,

BERNARD E. WALKER, Master.

SEBASTOPOL

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

I have the honor to submit the following report of Sebastopol Grange, No. 306:

First, we deem it a very high honor to have as members of Sebastopol Grange our Worthy State Master, Geo. R. Harrison and wife.

Sebastopol Grange has had a very successful year.

All regular meetings and several special meetings were held.

Our Worthy Lecturer, Sister McLeod, provides a very interesting and profitable lecture hour each meeting. Many topics are taken up, discussed and much good gained thereby.

On May 20th, a county field meet was held in Sebastopol on Analy Union High School grounds. This, I believe, was

the first ever held in the northern part of the State. The committee in charge was composed of Worthy State Master Bro. Harrison, assisted by members from each subordinate Grange of the County.

Program as follows: Ball game in morning. Lunch at noon. Ball game after lunch followed by splendid program. Dancing in evening. It was unanimously voted a splendid success.

The last meeting of the first month of the quarter is observed as Young People's night. On the last meeting of second month of the quarter the first and second degrees are conferred, and on the last meeting of the third month of the quarter the third and fourth degrees are conferred by the degree staff.

We had the p'easure of listening to a debate on the "Water and Power Act," by Bros. Geo. A. Sehlmeyer, our State Lecturer speaking in the affirmative, and Bro. Granville Libby in the negative.

All resolutions coming before the Grange are acted on with the utmost fairness. We stand for co-operation and things that are for the betterment of the country and of mankind.

The future of the Grange looks good.

At our last meeting we had inspection; the third and fourth degrees were conferred by the degree staff. Bro. Griffith acted as inspector.

We trust this session of the State Grange may be a pleasant and profitable one for all.

We extend a cordial invitation to the State Grange to meet in Sonoma County in 1923.

Fraternally submitted,

C. J. SUTTON, Master. M. D. McLEOD, Alternate.

SILVERADO

To the Officers and Members of California State Grange,

Greetings from Silverado Grange, Calistoga, California:

As alternate, I am glad to report Silverado Grange still on the map and with several new members to be given work at an early date.

Last year's Harvest Festival was enjoyed by a large attendance, as usual, and the event is looked forward to again with pleasurable anticipation.

During the year we have had the pleasure of two visits from our Worthy State Master; one in April and the other in September, both of which were greatly enjoyed.

Our Worthy Lecturer has supplied the Grange, from time to time, with speakers on "Consolidation of Schools," "Gopher Control," and numerous other interesting subjects, so that the Lecturer's Hour has been profitable as well as entertaining.

Numerous resolutions have been presented during the year, some of which were adopted and others rejected, most important of which is probably that relating to the overloading of trucks and the consequent breaking down of the highways. This matter should receive the serious and united consideration of the Grange.

Among other pleasures enjoyed was a trip to Brown's Valley to the farewell given Brother Baade; a surprise visit to Napa Grange, and the witnessing of the third and fourth degrees so splendidly put on at Guenoc Grange by the Rutherford Grange Degree Team.

Fraternally submitted,

HANS ABRAMSEN, Alternate.

TULARE

To the Officers and Members of California State Grange, Greetings:

Tulare Grange No. 198 P. of H. sends best wishes for success.

The past year has been a fairly prosperous one for Tulare Grange. Since our last report we have initiated 19 new members and taken in one by dimit; during the same time we have lost 1 by death, 4 by suspension, and 4 by dimit, leaving a net gain of 11 members. We have elected 6 that have not been initiated and have 2 mcre applications to act on. Our financia condition is good. Our average attendance is about 45 per cent. of the membership.

Our Worthy Lecturer always has something of interest for the lecturer's hour: Readings, recitations, songs, quotations, etc..

During the year 1922 we have held 10 regular and 2 special meetings.

We have considered several resolutions passed by other Granges and took part in arranging for the Grange Vacation meeting in General Grant Park, during the last week in July.

Fraternally submitted,

THOS. JACOB, Alternate.

TWO ROC'K

To the Officers and Members of California State Grange:

For Two Rock Grange, No. 152, I beg to report a membership of 47 at the 'ast report; gained by initiation 18, lost by death 1, by dimit 2, present membership 62.

Our financial condition is good, we own our own hall and furnishings, with a balance in the treasury, and no debts.

Sorry to say that the interest and attendance has not been as good as it might, and should have been, although we have held nearly all our regular meetings and one special one.

We were favored with visits from our State Master G. R. Harrison and wife on two occasions, and also the Sebastopol Grange Degree team conferred the third and fourth degrees for us on a c'ass of candidates, in a very creditable manner, and we spent a most enjoyable evening together.

In August we had the pleasure of entertaining our Pomona Grange at a most interesting and largely attended meeting.

"In Memorial."-One of our oldest members has been

called from our midst to the Great Beyond—Brother A. P. Martin, a Past Master of Two Rock Grange. He was always a faithful, hard worker for Grange activities and community betterment, and we miss his presence and counsel most keenly.

In conclusion I would say that we are not entire'y satisfied with the results obtained in our past year's work. This but stimulates us to greater activity for better results in the coming year.

Fraternally submitted,

ROY I. CHURCH, Alternate.

UPPER VALLEY

Upper Valley Grange, No. 389, which was organized March, 1921, holds regular meetings twice a month. We had fifty-two Charter Members, and have gained twelve new members, Our financial standing is good. We meet in Douglas School House four miles from Etna Mills, Cal.

The community is interested in dairying and farming.

Respectfully submitted,

O. O. CHAMBERS, Alternate.

VALLEY OAKS

Worthy State Master, Officers and Members:

Va'ley Oaks sends greetings to this golden jubilee and hopes the next meeting may be near enough so that all can attend. We now have 97 members, we meet twice every month on the second and fourth Friday. The attendance is always good.

We have a penny March in which we get nickels, dimes, quarters and half dollars. The proceeds are used for refreshments—ice cream and cake in the summer, and cake and coffee in the winter, and that is why our attendance is always good. We have had a hard time holding our young people, and it is difficult for our Lecturer to put on a good program for Galt is an over-organized town, and what with dances and two or three high school plays, they don't seem

to have time, but neverthe'ess we have something doing every meeting.

We have taken in 19 members by initiation and three by reinstatement. We have dimited 15, and 8 were dropped for non-payment of dues, and we lost one by death, Sister Effic Quiggle.

We have had our Worthy State Master, Brother George R. Harrison and wife with us once, and our Worthy State Lecturer Bro. George Sehlmeyer, twice, and I think he would have been here oftener had we asked him, because we always have good eats, and two of our young ladies gave a fine exhibition of fancy dancing the last time he was here.

Our annual dance, to which every one looks forward, comes on St. Patrick's night. The last one netted us \$50.00 for the dance, and \$84.00 for the supper. We have \$238.96 in the treasury at present.

Fraternally submitted,

MRS. HARRIET MARCOE, Alternate.

VISALIA

To the Officers and Members of California State Grange:

In beha'f of the Patrons of Visalia Grange I submit the following report:

Our membership has not increased the present year, but we have held the regular meetings with a fair attendance in reference to the membership.

While the membership of our Grange is not large yet there is one thing very encouragin and that is, the members strongly believe in the principles of the Grange, and seem to view the future with great expectations.

The lecturer's hour is always pleasant and interesting. "oo much credit cannot be given our Worthy Lecturer for her untiring efforts in preparing the progam.

Fraternally submitted,

A. C. WILLIAMS.

MONTEREY COUNTY POMONA

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

I am pleased to report Monterey County Pomona Grange as being in a healthy, thriving condition. Our meetings have been held regularly with the various Subordinate Granges and were well attended.

Due interest has always been shown in business and legislative matters, and our Lecturer's hour has always been both peasing and instructive.

The coming of the California State Grange to our County has been qu'te an event to our entire Grange membership, more especially to our Pomona Grange, and there has been no lack of interest in doing all we could for the pleasure and comfort of our visitors.

Our membership, while not large, has steadily increased and we are looking forward to a prosperous year.

Fraternally submitted,

W. W. WELLS, Master.

NAPA-LAKE COUNTY POMONA

To the Officers and Members of Ca'ifornia State Grange:

I have been given the pleasure to give the report for Napa-Lake County Pomona. Our membership has increased since we organized a year ago. We have he'd our four regular meetings with the different Subordinate Granges. At all these meetings interesting and instructive subjects and resolutions, pertaining to local, state and national affairs, have been discussed, decidedly to the advantage of our members.

The meeting in Napa on July 15 was quite interesting, as on that date Ca'ifornia State Grange was organized in Napa 49 years ago, so it was a fitting time to celebrate the event. The State Master and his wife and other State Officers, namely: The Lecturer, Secretary and Flora were present, and the officers of Sonoma County Pomona Grange put on the fifth degree work in a very impressive manner.

There was also a lively debate on the Water and Power

Act between Mayor Bartlett of Berkeley for it, and W. A. D'Egilbert against the proposition.

Thanks to our Worthy Lecturer, we are always well entertained at our Pomona meetings, as he always has something good on the program. We are trying to do the best we can for our communities as well as the State and Nation.

Fraternally submitted,

MAGGIE E. TURNER, Alternate.

SACRAMENTO COUNTY POMONA

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

Sacramento County Pomona Grange, No. 2, has held four regular and eight special meetings since the last session of the State Grange. The regular meetings have been all day meetings and many topics of public interest have been discussed. The Grange has taken special interest in meausures to be voted on at the coming e ection, holding a special open meeting, with prominent speakers to discuss the Water and Power Act.

Our annual picnic, the picnic of Sacramento County, was a social and financial success.

On October 14 our degree team gave the fifth degree to members that had been obligated during the year. Pomona Grange is taking a special interest in Subordinate Granges of the County by meeting with them and giving programs during the lecture hour.

Fraternally submitted,

MRS. NETTIE HOLMES, Master.

SANTA CLARA COUNTY POMONA

Worthy Master, Officers and Members of California State Grange:

Santa Clara County Pomona Grange has held its regular meetings every two months.

The first meeting of the year was held at Mountain View,

when we had the honor of having our Worthy State Master and wife, Brother and Sister Harrison, with us, who installed both Pomona and subordinate officers.

The other meetings were held at San Jose in March, Orchard City in May, Mountain View in July and San Jose in September.

We have suffered the loss of two active members by death during the year, and have taken in several new ones,

Much praise is due our Worthy Lecturer for his interesting programs during the Lecture Hour.

Our Grange stands for co-operation in every movement for the betterment of our community.

Fraternally submitted,

L. E. TUTTLE, Master.

SISKIYOU COUNTY POMONA

To the Officers and Members of California State Grange, Greetings:

Siskiyou Pomona Grange, No. 6, has at present a membership of 411. Our meetings are held every two months about the county with the Subord'nate Granges:

Six regular meetings and some special ones were held this year,

Our Worthy State Master and family were with us at Happy Camp. Many movements of importance have been fostered by our efforts. Our County Fair featured special Grange Exhibits that were a credit to the County and to the farmers.

A far reaching work was the forming of the Tax Payers' League to confer with the supervisors monthly—many economies were brought about. A reduction of 34 cents on the hundred dollars—on our taxes this year was the direct result.

Fraternally yours,

ELLA D. SOULE, Alternate.

SONOMA COUNTY POMONA

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

Sonoma County Pomona Grange held eight meetings during the year. The last Monday of November we entertained National Master Lowell and the returning delegates from the National Grange. On December 3, we met at Sebastopol when Past National Master Wilson was present. We celebrated Flora's Day at Geyserville Grange, May 6. A field day of County Granges was held at Sebastopol in May and was a great success. We had a picnic at Mirabel Park with Forestville Grange in June. We conferred the fifth degree in Napa, July 15, for Napa-Lake Counties Pomona Grange.

There was no change in the membership during the year. Resolutions adopted during the year were: Regulation of motor truck traffic; for repair of railroad crossings; opposed to objectionable shows and gambling devices at County Fairs; putting fertilizers on free list, with Government aid to our native potash industry; Japanese exc'usion; tariff protection in favor of Fordney McCumber bill; in favor of standardizing lubricating oils; asking the Governor to appoint two Grange members of the Board of Regents, recommending Horace Keesling and G. W. Wyllie; to change method of voting on Grange officers and allow nominations voted down; asking our next legislature to investigate automobile traffic and pass regulations fair to all; against aliens not eligible to citizenship owning or leasing land; against separation of the Southern Pacific-Central Pacific railways; extermination of rodent pests; asking for statutory enactment requiring persons of the age of majority to take his own risks when riding with another; in favor of reports of Subordinate Masters not to exceed 175 words; in favor of dropping all names except two highest after the first ballot.

We extend a cordial invitation to the State Grange to meet at Santa Rosa in 1923.

Fraternally submitted,

J. L. GOATLEY, Master.

TULARE COUNTY POMONA

To the Officers and Members of California State Grange:

Tulare County Pomona Grange has kept on the even tenor of its usual way. There has been considerable gain in membership. Twenty-four were received into membership at the May meeting, and a few at other meetings.

We have had visits from National Past Master, Oliver Wilson and wife, and State Master Geo. R. Harrison and wife. These visitors gave us much information and many helpful suggestions.

The Lecturer has given some excellent programs. He has brought up subjects pertaining to actual farm work, mostly of a local nature.

The July meeting was held on the Grange lots in General Grant National Park. At this meeting the Lecturer's hour was taken up with a discussion of the "Water and Power Act," Sister Della B. Howell speaking for the Act and Brog Granville Libby against it.

The Grange took up the study of the Torrens' Land Title Law. After a thorough study of this, several Patrons of the County have taken the necessary steps to have the title to their land recorded according to the Torrens' law.

Tulare Pomona was host to the California State Grange Vacation in General Grant Park the last week in July

We offered a reward of \$20.00 to any Subordinate Grange which wou'd be able by a given time to open, close and initiate in all the degrees, without the use of the ritual. Dinuba and Poplar qualified and received the reward. Inspector A. C. Williams was the judge.

Respectfully submitted,

W. E. LINDLEY, Master.

THE GRANGE IN CALIFORNIA By Frank L. Hunt

It is very safe to say that when, on January 1st, 1866, President Johnson appointed O. H. Kelly to make a tour of the southern states in the interests of agriculture, he had no idea that the appointment would lead to the organization of the greatest farmers' fraternity that has ever existed. Very likely if the appointment had gone to any other man

than Mr. Kelly the results would have been no more nor less than the results from thousands of other such appointments. Which only goes to show the great range of the vision of the man who was far seeing enough to look across the continent and see the need of a nation-wide farmers' fraternity.

After Mr. Kelly had made this trip through the states of the south, he was so thoroughly imbued with the idea that such a fraternity was needed, that he occupied all his spare time in studying out the details and arranging for an actual start with such an organization. On December 4th, 1867, Mr. Kelly and a few others whom he had induced to join him in his efforts, met in Washington and actually started what has since grown to be the oldest and greatest farmers' fraternity that has ever been in existence—The Grange.

On August 10th, 1870, California swung in line with other Grange states by organizing its first Subordinate Grange at Pilot Hill in Eldorado County. This Grange was organized by General Deputy A. A. Bayley with 29 charter members, The importance of the Grange as a medium through which the farmers could work together had not yet been appreciated, however. In the year 1871 there was such a feeling of discontent among the farmers, caused principally by the unjust profits exacted from them by the middle men, that they determined to unite their efforts in an attempt to better their conditions. As a result of this determination, farmers' clubs under different names were organized here and there through the State.

Toward the close of the season of 1871, the clubs at Napa and Sacramento laid before the other clubs of the State proposals for a convention to be held in Sacramento during the State Fair. This proposition was very favorably received by the clubs generally and resulted in a convention at which the following organizations were represented: The Napa County Club, Sacramento County Club, Sonoma County Club, Vacaville and Pleasant Valley Fruit Growers' Association, Oakland Farming, Horticultural and Industrial Club, Santa Clara County Club, Sutter County Club, Santa Cruz County Club, Eldorado County Club, San Joaquin County Club and the Sonoma Vinicultural Club. The result of this convention was the formation of what was known as the Farmers' Protective Union League with Hon. John Bidwell as President. Most of the members of this organization now con-

sidered themselves in a strong enough position to look after their own interests. A few, however, could see even further than th's combination of California Clubs.

The one man above all others who could see beyond the State organization was W. H. Baxter who owned and lived on his own farm near Napa. In August, 1871, Mr. Baxter, after some correspondence, received a Deputy's Commission from the National Grange for work in California. After receiving this commission, he lost no time in placing the subject of the Grange and the advantages that might be derived from it before the people and their clubs and in organizing Granges. The result of Mr. Baxter's work along this line was brought to a head when the Farmers' Union Convention, which was held in San Franc'sco on April 8th, 1873, adopted the following resolutions which had been submitted by the committee on Granges and Patrons of Husbandry:

"1st. The organization presents a medium of establishing and maintaining a better state of social and confidential relation among the farmers.

2nd. The necessity of transacting our business within ourselves, without publishing our intentions to the world.

3rd. The unprecedented success of the organization in the Atlantic States is a good evidence that it will, in a measure, meet our wants as an agricultural community; therefore,

Resolved—That it is, in the opinion of this body, expedient to establish among the farmers of the State, Granges of the Patrons of Husbandry."

The adoption of these resolutions was followed about three months later by a convention held in Napa for the organization of a State Grange. At this convention, which was held on July 15th, 1873, with N. W. Garretson present representing the National Grange, the following officers were elected:

Master	J. W. A. Wright
Overseer	I. M. Hamilton
Lecturer	Thomas H. Merry
Steward	N. L. Allen
Assistant Steward	W M Jackson

Treasurer W. A. Fisher
Secretary
Gate Keeper
Chaplain T. H. Hyatt Lady Assistant Steward Mrs. I. G. Gardner
Ceres
Pomona Mrs. W. H. Baxter
FloraMrs. J. H. Hegeler

The following 28 Granges were represented at this meeting: Napa, San Joaquin, Stanislaus, Vacaville, Chico, Merced, Salida, Suisun Valley, San Jose, Hollister, Sacramento, Yolo, Bennett Valley, Santa Rosa, Healdsburg, Elmíra, Dixon, Guenoc, Yountville, Grand Island, Petaluma, Salinas, Turlock, St. Helena, Greyson, Pescadero, Bodega Temescal.

We very frankly and cand'dly assert that no State Master since Mr. Wright's administration has succeeded in leaving a memento of so great importance to the Grange as he did when he wrote the Declaration of Purposes. This document is worthy of more than passing notice. It has long been the guiding star for Grange activities, not only in this State, but in all Grange states, and after the passage of a half century of time, it seems to meet the requirements of the Grange as well now as it did at the start.

The first annual sess on of the California State Grange was held in San Jose beginning October 14th, 1873. At this meeting the Secretary reported 104 Granges coming from different counties all the way from Humboldt on the north to San Bernardino on the south. Many very important reports were submitted and discussed which seemed to pave the way for a future business career for the Grange.

Shortly after the close of the San Jose session of the State Grange, the Executive Committee met in the Russ House in San Francisco for the purpose of devising ways and means to carry out instructions from the State Grange toward starting business activities for the benefit of members of the Grange. After due consideration it was decided that the best course at the start would be to enter into an alliance with some reliable and well established business concern. This decided on, a few such concerns were invited to meet the committee in conference. At this meeting

the committee decided to enter into business relations with the then well known firm of E. E. Morgans' Sons, shipping merchants between New York and Liverpool with A. F. Walcott as their San Francisco representative. By this agreement, the committee was to have free access to the books of the concern so that it could at any time examine the accounts of Patrons doing business with them as well as to have access to all telegraphic and other market reports. In return for this privilege, the committee agreed to use its influence to induce all Patrons doing a shipping business to do it through this firm. This shipping firm was selected principally because the farmers at that time were engaged very largely in wheat raising.

After this agreement it was necessary to select some one as the business agent of the Grange. After a very careful consideration of the subject by the Executive Committee of those available for the place, G. P. Kellogg of Salinas was chosen as such agent and placed under bond of \$200,000.00 with a salary fixed at \$3,000.00. Mr. Kellogg was allowed an assistant and their salaries were paid by an assessment of fifty cents each on the Grange members.

This seemed to be the beginning of the commercial life of the Grange in this State. From this beginning the business transactions spread rapidly in several directions, and it was only a short time till a vast amount of business was being done along several lines, not only in San Francisco, but in several Grange counties. In April, 1874, the Executive Committee of the State Grange issued a call for a business meeting in San Francisco, and on April 21st, 200 delegates met there and decided to start a bank and a system of warehouses. This Bank was capitalized at five million dollars divided into fifty thousand shares at the par value of \$100.00 each.

The second annual convention of the State Grange was held in Stockton beginning October 6th, 1874. We learn from the report of J. M. Hamilton, who was then State Master, that there were 231 Granges with a membership of 18,500. Two years later at a meeting of the Execueive Committee, the Secretary reported 252 Granges. This is the largest number of Granges we have been able to find any record of in this State.

On July 5th, 1875, during the administration of Worthy

Master J. V. Webster, a contract was entered into between the Executive Committee and Messrs, Dewey & Ewer for the publication of a Grange paper to be known as The California Patron. The publication of this paper was continued under th's contract till April 3rd, 1877, when a new contract was made with the same firm and the paper was continued till May 1st, 1878. After this the paper was published by the Secretary of the State Grange Amos Adams, for a year. When the Grange finally decided that the paper could not be made to pay expenses, it was discontinued till February 12th, 1880, when another trial was made under the direction of J. V. Webster, with a fund created by donations. In 1885 the business was sold to The California Patron Publishing Co., and on January 11th, 1889, the paper was taken over by The Pacific Rural Press and continued as a part of its business till 1892.

One of the early branches of business the Grange engaged in was that of Fire Insurance. The Farmers' Mutual Fire Insurance Company was organized and J. D. Blanchar, a member of Napa Grange, was placed in charge of it. Mr. Blanchar succeeded in working business risks up to the amount of a million and a half dollars. This Company was instituted with a capital stock of \$100,000.00, all of which had since been paid up.

Practically all branches of business the Grange connected itself with proved to be very disastrous to the Order. The reasons for the failure of this part of Grange work are too numerous and lengthy to embody in this sketch. By reason of these failures and their disastrous effects on the Grange, it received a very serious set-back and its membership fell off at an alarming rate. So it has since been very cautious about connecting itself with business concerns, preferring to confine its attention more particularly to educational, legislative and social work.

One branch of business, however, has been revived in recent years and is proving to be entirely successful. During the year 1908 the State Grange decided to again enter the fire insurance field. This time it proposed to start the business on a fraternal and mutual basis without capital stock. Before this could be done, however, it was first necessary to get a law through the legislature which would allow fraternal orders to pursue such a course. In 1909 the

Grange succeeded in getting such a bill through the Legislature, but it was left unsigned by the Governor and thus defeated. In 1911 another effort was made to get a bill through but it was not successful. With true Grange persistency a third trial was made in 1913 and this time it was successful. In 1916 The Grange Fraternal Fire Insurance Association was organized and the first polic'es were issued in May of that year. The following members composed the first Board of Directors: Thomas Jacob, E. T. Pettit, Frank I. Hunt, A. Van Maren, W. H. Livingston, S. L. Stice and W. E. Stewart. Mr. Jacob was elected Pres'dent and Mr. Pettit Secretary. This Association is being well received and patronized by Patrons. To no other one man does the Grange owe so much for the organization of this Association as to that veteran granger, John Tuohy, a member of Tulare Grange when it was organized.

Another man the members of the Grange and farmers generally owe a debt of gratitude to is Col. Harris Weinstock, who was appointed State Market Director by Governor Hiram Johnston. By organizing the farmers into commodity or marketing associations, Colonel Weinstock showed them how to successfully market their products in a co-operative way. Be it said to the credit of the Grange, that when Col. Weinstock met with very determined opposition from several very influential sources, the Grange stood squarely back of him and his efforts from the start.

In 1912 the State Grange adopted a resolution creating a Grange Scholarship. This fund as first created was an outright gift of \$200.00 per year per student, payable in quarterly installments. Later it was made a revolving or loan fund. At the 1921 session of the State Grange, \$1,000.00 was transferred from the general fund to the scholarship fund, so there might be available enough money to aid young men and women in their educational work than had heretofore been the case.

During the year 1919, a new and somewhat novel feature in Grange activities was inaugurated which has become known as the annual State Grange Vacation. The idea was, that inasmuch as a large number of the members had more or less of a vacation each year, it would tend to increase and strengthen the spirit of Grange fraternity and good fellowship if the members would take their vacations at the

same time and in the same place. The first Grange Vacation was held at Dillon Beach in July, 1919, and it proved to be a decided success. It is customary at these annual gatherings for the members to spend a week together in a friendly and social way, and a splendid feeling of fraternal fellowship prevails, so that the week is very profitably spent. These vacations have now been spent at Dillon Beach, Capitola, Big Basin and General Grant Park.

Since Siskiyou County is the newest Grange county and has recently become the strongest county in Grange work, it is entitled to special mention. On January 29th, 1917, the first Grange in the county—Strawberry Valley Grange—was organized, and on April 6th of the same year, Gazelle Grange was organized. Both of these Granges were instituted by State Deputy F. L. Hunt. From this beginning the Grange movement has continued to spread in this county till the present time. Now there are 12 Granges in Siskiyou County with a membership of 1,054.

The following Granges were organized prior to 1875, have been in continuous existence since organization and retain their original numbers: American River, Antelope (formerly Roseville), Bennett Valley, Danville, Elk Grove, Petaluma, Potter Valley, Sacramento, San Jose, Santa Rosa, Tulare and Two Rock.

There are many incidents in connection with these Granges that are worthy of special mention, but we cannot feel justified in taking time and space to speak of them in this sketch. We only give special mention to one of them. Ever since Bennett Valley Grange has been organized in May, 1873, it has never failed to have its anniversary picnic on the same grounds.

As a matter for historical reference we give herewith a complete list of the Masters of the State Grange since its organization on July 15th, 1873, together with their time of service:

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Joseph Holmes1913 to 1	917
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And now as we close this history of the first half century of Grange life in California, and open the door on the beginning of a new period of Grange activities, we wonder what the next half century has in store for us.

Who can estimate how influence toward a better agricultural life has emanated from the Grange in this State? Who can tell how many men and women have been made better and more useful citizens by their associations with the Grange? Who can place a value on the pleasant associations that the meetings in Granges have afforded? Let us remember that our meetings, one with the other, are not only of great value socially, but that they are influencing us toward a better and more useful life.

Fraternally submitted to the California State Grange, October 18, 1922.

In Memoriam

Sister Martha L. Tibbetts,
Wife of
Past Master of San Jose Grange, No. 10

Brother Jehu Heyworth,
Past Master
Dorris Grange, No. 393

Brother Albert P. Martin,

Past Master
Two Rock Grange, No. 152

Sister Elizabeth Grover,
Wife of
Past Master of Petaluma Grange, No. 23

Brother William Lehn,
Husband of
Past Master Mrs. Minnie Lehn
Forestville Grange, No. 367

Sister Alice Bryan,
Wife of
Past Master American River Grange, No. 172

TABULATED REPORT OF SUBORDINATE GRANGES Oct. 1, 1922

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