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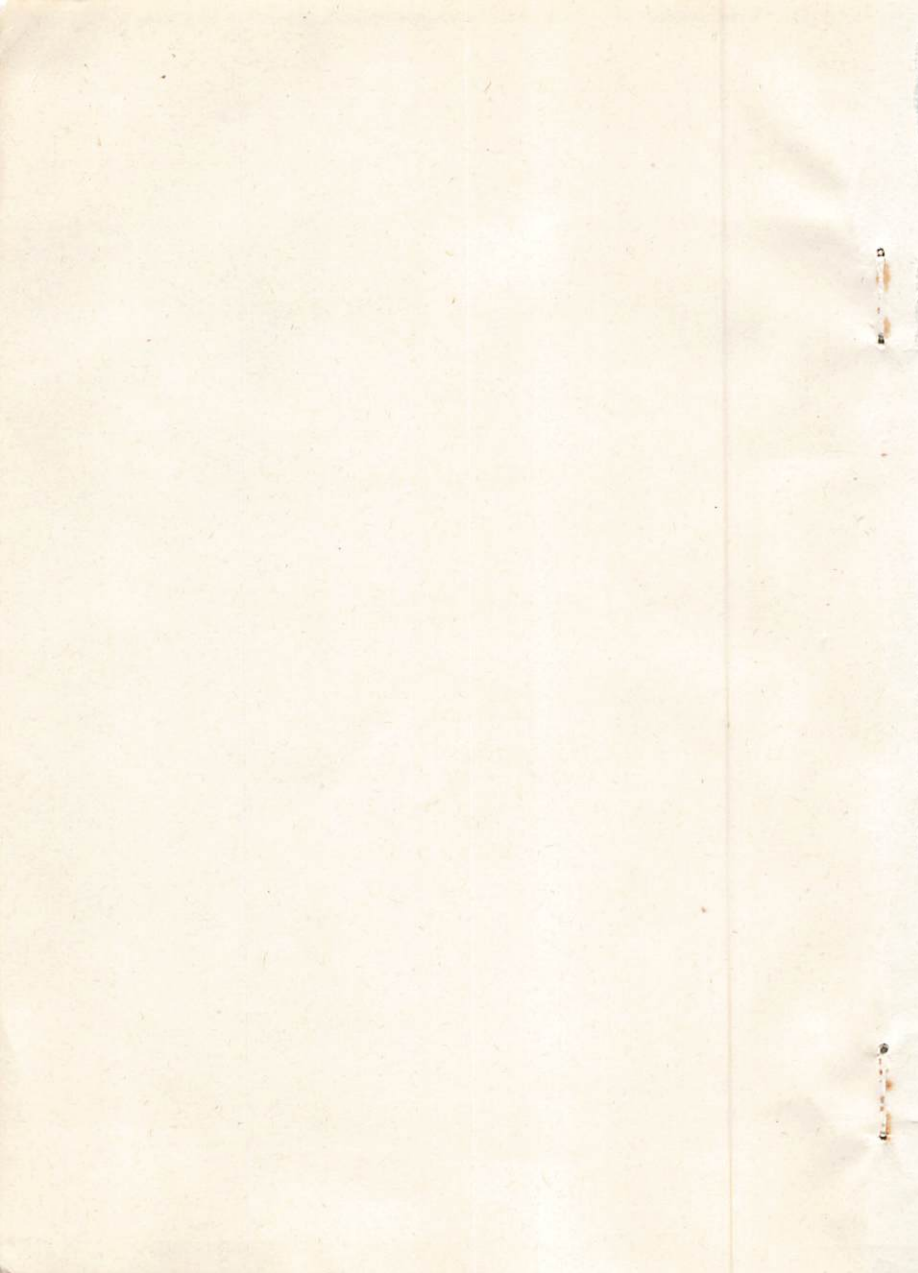
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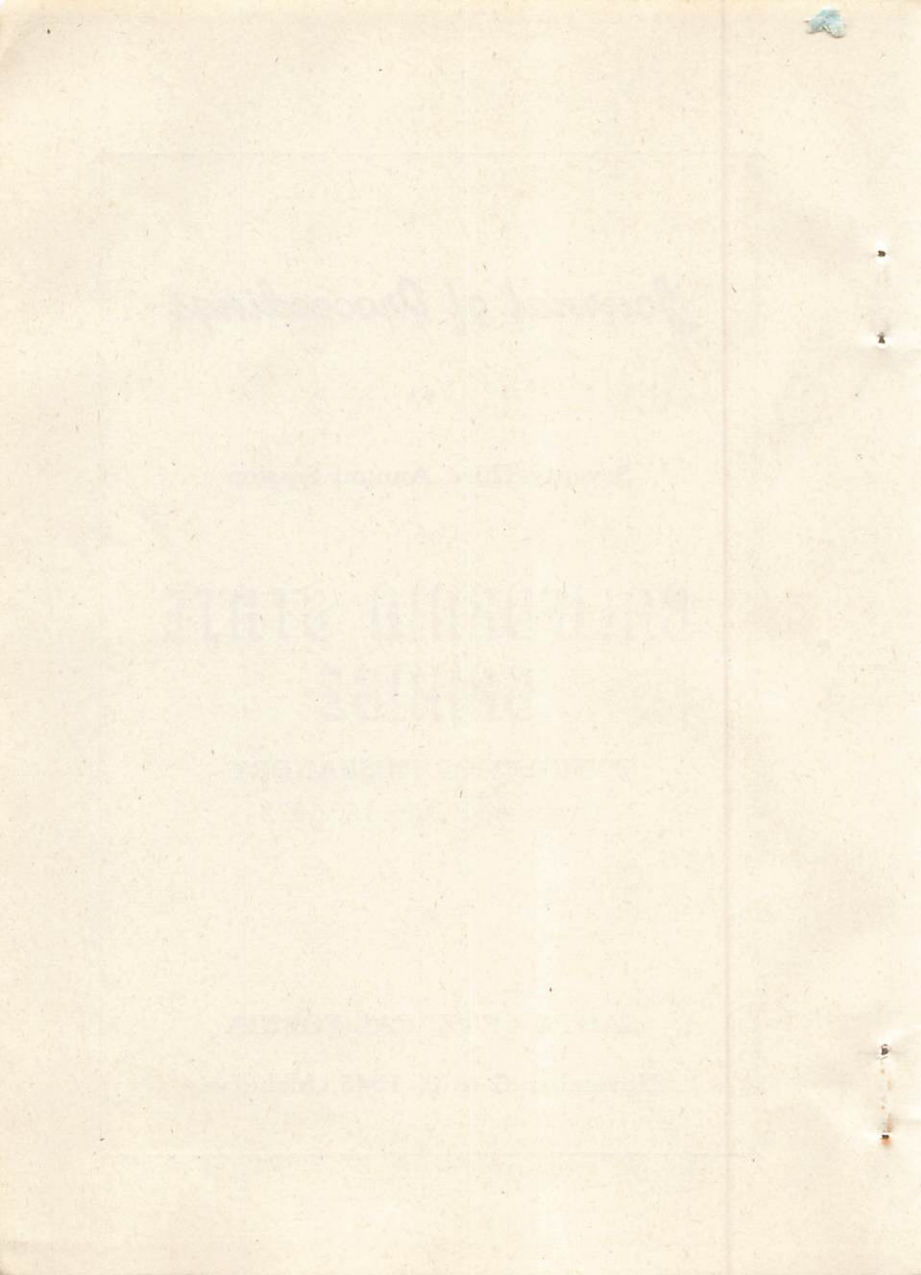
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The Seventy-Third Annual Session of the California State Grange was called to order at 10:00 A. M. in the Municipal Auditorium, at Santa Cruz, California, State Master George Sehlmeier presiding.

The State Officers, conducted by the Assistant Steward and Lady Assistant Steward, were seated.

During the presentation of the flag, which followed, the curtains of the stage were drawn, to disclose Old Glory in a beautiful garden setting. The Star Spangled Banner was sung by all.

Sister Ruth Dye, Santa Cruz County, was appointed to act as Deputy to the Secretary during the session.

All those not having been instructed in the degree of Flora were retired, and California State Grange was opened in regular form in the 6th Degree. Sister McKenny, San Benito County, and Brother Lively, Tulare County, acted as Deputy Lady Assistant and Assistant Stewards and assisted at the opening examination.

The Worthy Chaplain led the delegate body in prayer, and "America" was sung by all.

The passing of Brother A. J. Crandall left vacant the Gatekeeper's station, and Brother J. W. Anderson was appointed to act during the session.

Roll Call of Officers found all present as follows:

Master.....	George Sehlmeier
Overseer.....	Edwin Koster
Lecturer.....	Hilda Atkins
Steward.....	Ed Hill
Assistant Steward.....	W. G. LaCaille
Chaplain.....	Leta Littler
Treasurer.....	M. T. Hunt
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	Harry Barnes
Executive Committee.....	George Critchett
	W. L. Smith

The report of the Committee on Credentials was accepted in determining whether or not a quorum was present, and the report of the Credentials Committee was substituted for a roll call of Granges.

State Grange was closed in the 6th Degree and opened in the 4th degree. 267 Fourth Degree members were escorted into the hall by the Assistant Stewards and accorded a hearty welcome to the session.

Brother E. T. Pettit and Brother Joseph Holmes, Past State Masters, were unable to be present. Greetings were received from Brother Holmes, and the State Secretary was directed to send greetings to both Brother Holmes and Brother Pettit.

Greetings from Congressman George E. Outland were read, and a letter of greeting from A. S. Goss, Master of the National Grange, was presented, conveying greetings and urging the Grange to maintain sound thinking and to plan constructively for life in a post-war world.

Sister Elizabeth Sehlmeier and Sister Zelma Hoss were introduced to the delegate body.

The Order of Business as accepted by the State Grange Executive Committee was read, and it was moved and seconded that the order of business be adopted. Motion carried.

CONVENTION PROGRAM

Santa Cruz, California

Monday, November 5th

AFTERNOON

1:00 P. M.—Registration of Delegates—Hotel St. George.
Tuesday, November 6

MORNING

- 8:30 A. M.—Registration of Delegates, Municipal Auditorium
10:00 A. M.—California State Grange Opening, Santa Cruz Municipal Auditorium.
11:30 A. M.—Recess.

AFTERNOON

- 1:30 P. M.—Reconvene. ANNUAL ADDRESS, George Sehlmeier, Master, California State Grange. Open to public.
State Grange called to order in regular session continuing.
State Officers Reports.
Annual Report, Farmers Automobile Inter-Insurance Exchange, by George C. Jewett, Vice President.
State Deputies Report.
District Deputies Reports.
5:00 P. M.—Grange Closed.

EVENING

- 8:00 P. M.—Reception, Santa Cruz Memorial Auditorium. Open to public by Santa Cruz Grange members and Santa Cruz Chamber of Commerce.
Presiding: Claude French, Master, Santa Cruz Pomona Grange.
Addresses of Welcome.
Response by George Sehlmeier, Master, California State Grange.
Address: Dr. Leonard, President, San Francisco Teachers College.
State Lecturer's Program.

Wednesday, November 7

MORNING

- 9:30 A. M.—California State Grange Opening. Municipal Auditorium.
Roll Call of Officers; reading the journal of yesterday.
Reports of Committees.
Report of California Grange News.
10:00 A. M.—Special Order: Nomination, Officers of the California State Grange.
Invitation for 1946 State Grange Convention.
Report Grangers Business Organization, by F. J. Greer, Vice President.
11:00 A. M.—Address: Representative of Credit Union League.
Reports continued.
12:15 P. M.—Noon recess.

AFTERNOON

- 2:00 P. M.—Reconvene, Municipal Auditorium.
Addresses: Mr. Byron J. McMahon, Advisor, Future Farmers of America, State President, Future Farmers of America.
Grange called to order in regular session.
Report Grange Fraternal Fire Association.
Committee Reports.
3:00 P. M.—Address by Representative California Physicians Service.
Reports continued.
5:00 P. M.—Evening recess.

EVENING

- 7:30 P. M.—Reconvene, Auditorium.
Introduction of Resolutions not submitted State Grange Office.
Fixing Closing time for introduction of New Resolutions.
Business Session.

Thursday, November 8

MORNING

- 9:30 A. M.—California State Grange Opening, Auditorium.
Roll Call of Officers.
Reading the journal of yesterday.
Business Session.

11:00 A. M.—Recess.

Juvenile Grange Program, under direction of Mrs. Cordie M. Hannah, State Superintendent of Juvenile Granges.

12:15 P. M.—Noon Recess.

AFTERNOON

1:30 P. M.—Reconvene, Auditorium.

Memorial Services, under direction of State Chaplain.
Grange called to order following Memorial Services.

Business Session.

Reports of Committees.

5:00 P. M.—Recess.

EVENING

7:30 P. M.—Reconvene, Auditorium.

Fifth Degree conferred Santa Clara County Pomona
Grange Degree Team, followed by Sixth Degree conferred
by Officers, California State Grange.

Grange closed.

Friday, November 9

MORNING

8:00 A. M.—Home Economic Club Breakfast, Auditorium.

10:00 A. M.—California State Grange Opening, Auditorium.

Reports of Committees and action on Resolutions.

12:30 P. M.—Recess.

AFTERNOON

2:00 P. M.—Reconvene, Auditorium.

Reports of Committees.

Unfinished business.

5:00 P. M.—Evening Recess.

EVENING

7:30 P. M.—Reconvene, Auditorium.

Reports of Committees.

Unfinished business.

Installation of Officers, California State Grange.

Closing 73rd Annual Convention, California State Grange.

Home Economics Conference, Wednesday, 8:00 A. M.

Time of Lecturers' Conference under direction of Mrs.

Hilda L. Atkins, Lecturer, California State Grange; Juvenile Grange Conference under direction of Mrs. Cordie M. Hannah, State Juvenile Superintendent; Secretaries Conference under direction of Mrs. Celia M. Harding, State Secretary; Credit Union Conference under direction of G. E. Milldrum; G. B. O. Conference will be announced during convention.

Grange stood at recess till 1:30 P. M.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

California State Grange reconvened at 1:30 P. M. and the State Grange stood at recess during the Annual Address of the Worthy Master. Harry Barnes of the State Executive Committee presided at the Master's request, while State Master George Sehlmeier presented the following Annual Report.

ANNUAL ADDRESS

GEORGE SEHLMAYER

Master California State Grange

INTRODUCTION

Five years ago our State Convention was held in Santa Cruz. This year it was extremely difficult for the Executive Committee to find a city which could entertain a State Grange session. This city is one of the best equipped in the State for conventions. The Grange membership under the able leadership of Claude French, Santa Cruz County Pomona Grange Master, in cooperation with the Chamber of Commerce, have made preparations to make this both a successful and pleasant State Grange meeting.

Since our 1944 session, the war has ended. This Convention might therefore very properly be termed the Victory Session. Coupled with the great rejoicing that came with the end of the war, is a consciousness of the great responsibility that lies just ahead. The termination of so-called war time and a return to standard time brought great satisfaction to all rural America.

Grave economic problems face the nation in the post-war period. Agriculture must either have support prices, or development of the so-called two price system, to prevent agricultural commodities from falling to a level below the cost of production. Labor is requesting enactment of a minimum hourly wage by Congress, increasing the mini-

mum hourly wage from 40c to 65c per hour. Industry is requesting that many of the taxes now imposed, be removed to permit more rapid expansion. Agriculture probably has the greatest stake in the postwar changes.

A full employment bill is before Congress, and other measures having to do with postwar economic trends will go before the special session of the Legislature, which the Governor will probably call. This State Convention should make declarations on the attitude and position which California agriculture will take in the postwar era.

In discussing the questions presented in resolutions, or reports of Committees, we feel confident this Convention will be guided by the long established Grange principle, of equal rights for all, and special privileges for none.

HIGHWAY SAFETY

During recent months the title of this subheading has become almost a misnomer. Automobile accidents on the highways of California during the last few months have reached an all-time high. While it might have been expected when rationing on gasoline was suddenly removed, owing to congested traffic, automobile accidents would increase, accident figures have far exceeded even the most pessimistic estimate. Never before have we experienced such utter recklessness as now prevails on the highways of this state. Many of the cars are no longer safe for driving in congested traffic. Coupled with this, is a recklessness many times induced by over indulgence in intoxicating liquors. Unless this condition is remedied, the insuring public in California will be confronted with automobile rates which may prove extremely burdensome. Drastic measures must be taken to prevent the loss of lives and property by drivers of automobiles who seem to utterly disregard rules and regulations for driving. Many times in the last few months have we seen cars deliberately cross a double line. We have seen truck drivers pull across to the wrong side of the road and force cars off of the highway. This condition can be corrected by an aroused public opinion against this type of highway use. Heavier penalties must be imposed for operating a car while under the influence of liquor, and better enforcement of laws governing highway traffic.

AGRICULTURE, LABOR AND INDUSTRY CONFERENCES

Believing there will be many problems arising out of the postwar period on which a mutual understanding and discussion between Agriculture, Labor and Industry would be advantageous, this office called a conference of these three economic groups on June 15, 1945. Owing to a conflict of dates the first conference was not well attended. A second conference was held on October 4th, 1945. Besides the Grange, the following farm organizations were represented, Farm Bureau, Farmers Union, and the Agricultural Counsel. Labor was represented by the AFL, CIO, and the Railroad Brotherhoods. Industry was represented by the State Chamber of Commerce. The whole day was spent in an informal discussion of the problems confronting these three economic groups. Two statements were issued as follows:

We favor the maintenance of an economic balance between Industry, Agriculture and Labor which will enable members of these groups to fully maintain and enjoy our present standard of living. In order to accomplish this result, labor must be employed at good wages, agriculture must produce at the maximum of its capacity at fair prices, and industry must go forward."

"The Conference opposes any abrupt change in present consumer subsidies developed in recent years in lieu of higher farm prices. Any change in the subsidy program should be brought about gradually over an extended period of time in order that gradual adjustment may be made."

Before adjourning the Conference voted to hold another meeting at a date fixed by the Chairman. Each group attending will prepare a statement for the next session. These statements will be written into an agenda.

This is the first time these three economic groups have met in conference at the State level. It was very gratifying to note they held their discussions to a very high plane. As the statements issued indicate, they did not consider what might be best for any one of the groups represented, but what would be best for the nation as a whole. We believe these conferences will result in a better understanding between Agriculture, Labor and Industry.

CREDIT UNIONS

Grange Credit Unions have become an important part of Grange activities in California. Some of these Unions have expanded until they find it possible to give financial aid to many of their members. We believe the field for Credit Union activities can be greatly expanded.

The ruling that Credit Unions can make loans to farmers needing financial assistance when preparing their crops or harvesting, should make it possible for Credit Unions to greatly extend their activities. In many areas in California, producers still find it necessary to have funds advanced during pruning and cultivation period. While the farm production credit associations have undertaken to meet this requirement, we believe financing through a membership owned Grange Credit Union would be far more advantageous. In addition to the services outlined above, Credit Unions offer a very desirable method of making loans for purchases by Grange members.

During the last session of the National Grange, a resolution was adopted directing National Lecturer James C. Farmer to include information on Credit Unions in all literature sent from his office to Granges throughout the United States.

A conference will be held during this session under the leadership of G. E. Milldrum, Chairman of the State Grange Credit Union Promotion Committee. In those areas where at present there are no Grange Credit Unions, we believe steps should be taken by Subordinate and Pomona Granges to organize one of these very helpful loan agencies.

The Chairman of the Credit Union Committee will give a more detailed report during this session.

INSURANCE

It has been reported to this office that the past year has been one of the most successful in the history of the Grange Fraternal Fire Insurance Association. This Association makes fire insurance available at low rates to all Grange members. We suggest that all those interested in this type of insurance acquaint themselves with their rates and operations.

We wish to again remind Grange members of the Grange Compensation Insurance Policy. While it is not required that farmers with a payroll of \$500.00, or less, must carry Compensation Insurance, no one who has any

employees should be without compensation protection. The Grange Compensation Insurance Policy can be secured through any of the offices of the Farmers Automobile Inter-Insurance Exchange.

During this year the State Grange Executive Committee approved a Liability Policy for Grange Halls. This is issued by the Truck Exchange, a part of the Farmers Automobile Inter-Insurance Exchange. The minimum fee for this policy is \$10.00, and is based on a rate of 12c per hundred square feet of the outer dimensions of the hall. In bodily injury cases, it gives protection up to \$5,000 for one person and \$10,000 for two or more persons in any one accident, and \$1,000 for property damage. Granges owning halls, which are rented, or where dances or other social activities are held, should carry liability insurance, and should avail themselves of this low-cost policy.

CENTRAL VALLEYS PROJECT CONFERENCE

During the hearings on the Elliot Amendment, which would have repealed the 160-acre limitation in the reclamation law, an organization known as the 95% Committee was formed in the San Joaquin Valley. The title 95%, was based on the contention that 95% of the acreage operated in the San Joaquin Valley was 160 acres or less. On March 3, 1945, the Farmer Labor Consumer Association called a conference in Fresno to discuss the future development of the Central Valleys Project. Out of this meeting came the Central Valleys Project Conference. In this movement, the Grange has held a leading part. Other farm organizations, labor groups, Chambers of Commerce, individual farmers, and other individuals interested in the development of the Central Valleys have become members. This has grown into a very strong organization.

A statewide conference was held in San Francisco on September 8th, and a permanent organization formed. On October 20th, a regional conference was held in Sacramento, and other regional meetings will be held in the Central Valleys area.

This organization has accepted, and is vigorously supporting the program adopted by the California State Grange for the development of the Central Valleys Project.

JUVENILE GRANGES

Under the able leadership of Mrs. Cordie M. Hannah, State Superintendent of Juvenile Granges, we have just closed one of the most successful years in Juvenile Grange work in the history of the State. More new Juvenile Granges were organized than at any time in our history.

It is apparent realization is coming to our Grange membership that the Juvenile Grange offers one of the finest trainings which can be brought to our children.

Juvenile Granges in the State have carried on a large number of activities during the war period. Space in this report does not permit their enumeration. We suggest any Subordinate Grange in California which has enough children in the Grange membership, or in the community where the Grange is located, whose parents are eligible for Grange membership, organize a Juvenile Grange.

On Thursday forenoon a juvenile program will be presented. The State Superintendent will report to this Convention on juvenile activities during the past year.

STATE GRANGE BUILDING

Several years ago a movement was started to erect or purchase a building for the State Grange headquarters in Sacramento. During the last year the fund has had many contributions. While at this writing we are not informed as to the amount which will be in the jars sent out by the Home Economics Department, reports so far indicate this will be substantial.

The Executive Committee of the State Grange have requested that locations for the building be investigated. When the building is either constructed or purchased, it should be one that will be in accord with the size and dignity of the Grange in California. A State Grange building in the Capital of California will add to the prestige of the Grange throughout the State.

We wish to express our sincere appreciation to the Granges, Home Economics Clubs and individuals who have made contributions throughout the year. If not earlier, we hope the building can be dedicated in 1947, which will be the Diamond Jubilee year for the Grange in California.

MARKETING

Early last year fruit producers in Placer County, organized through the Grange to establish f. o. b. prices for

their products. The movement was successful. Their committee reports that practically all sales were on f. o. b. basis. They have already started their movement for the 1946 crop.

Growers from the area report, through the efforts of the Grange Committee, the net returns to producers were much higher than one year ago. Probably there is no marketing plan which has been more distressing to producers than shipping a perishable product, or consigning, to a market 3,000 miles away with organized buying at the other end. The movement for f. o. b. prices was successfully undertaken in Placer County and should be extended to other areas. We believe the State Grange should support this movement in order to bring better returns to fruit growers.

Just as this report was ready to go to press, prices on grapes were reduced far below the cost of production. This office has requested the Department of Justice to investigate to learn if there was monopolistic control and collusion between privately owned processing plants which would constitute a violation of the Sherman Anti-Trust Law. If there is such monopolistic control, or collusion, between purchasers to break down prices, it will jeopardize the whole grape-producing industry, especially in San Joaquin Valley. Such monopolistic control will cast its shadow on every grape producer in the State. As this report goes to press, there has not been time for the Department of Justice to reply. We trust they will make a thorough investigation, and if there have been violations of the Sherman Anti-Trust Law, those guilty will be brought to trial.

Support prices, or floors, under agricultural products, and their effect on production and marketing are discussed in another part of this report.

SURPLUS WAR COMMODITIES

A number of sales have been held to dispose of war equipment and other commodities now owned by the government. Rulings by the agencies which control such sales prevent individual purchasers from buying this equipment. The Grangers Business Organization has been designated as a dealer by the Reconstruction Finance Corporation and can make purchases for Grange members. Some of the equipment has not proved too satisfactory, but if members wish to make a purchase they can examine

the equipment and articles for sale, and if they are satisfied, the Grangers Business Organization will buy for them.

Every effort should be made to prevent a repetition of the disposal of war equipment and commodities, such as followed World War No. 1, when large quantities were sold to interests that later resold them at a great profit. While it is not possible under present rulings for individuals to make purchases they can avail themselves of the services of the Business Organization. When a sale is held, or equipment becomes available for sale, in any area, the Business Organization will designate a Grange member in that area and authorize him to make purchases for the Grange membership.

TAXATION

As this report is being written, important tax reduction bills are before Congress. Indications are there will be material reductions in income taxes. Thousands of lower income tax payers will be relieved from paying this type of tax. As the bill before Congress is now written, it will reduce the taxes approximately six and a half billion dollars. It is expected there will be some opposition to this measure. Some of the Senators and Representatives are contending that before such a heavy reduction in taxes is undertaken, an effort should be made to bring the budget nearer balance. However, it is generally conceded the bill will pass with substantial tax reductions.

As the bill now stands, it reduces taxes approximately one billion more than recommended by the administration. It is probable other important tax reductions and revisions will soon be made by Congress. Some of these reductions will be based on the cancellations of billions of dollars in war contracts. It is probable the President will reorganize many of the Federal Departments. It is claimed that such reorganization will further reduce Federal Governmental costs.

In our State government, the sales tax is still the heaviest revenue producer. Surpluses have accumulated in the State, which will make it possible to carry on a reasonably extensive public works program. The three per cent gross receipts tax levied against contract truckers was passed by the Legislature but vetoed by the Governor.

It is probable some time during the reconversion period, or shortly after we return to a normal status, there will be

tax revisions in this State. It has always been stated that government economy was the key to reducing taxes. However judging from the increased demands which the people are making on the government it may be impossible to materially reduce taxes in this State.

We suggest this Convention outline a tax program.

CALIFORNIA GRANGE NEWS

Beginning January 1st, in accord with the requirements of the Audit Bureau of Circulation, a stamp was placed on Grange dues receipts, stating a part of such dues were devoted to the publication of the Grange News. This makes it possible for our publication to secure advertising which otherwise would not have been available. Now that the war is over, and more nearly normal times are ahead, the income of the Grange News through advertising should increase.

Along with all other Grange activities, plans should be developed for expansion of our official publication. The articles regularly written by Mr. Hichborn attract wide attention. Reports reaching our office indicate the California Grange News is one of the most widely quoted farm papers in California.

The Managing Editor, C. R. C. Jarratt, will give a more detailed report to this Convention.

CENTRAL VALLEYS PROJECT DEVELOPMENT

Probably no time since the Legislature in California enacted the Central Valleys Project Act, has the development of this project been in such disruption and lack of coordination as at present. In December, 1944, the United States Congress adopted H. R. 4485, generally referred to as the Army Engineers Flood Control Bill, which was later signed by the President. This measure provided for the building of a large number of flood control projects on rivers and streams in the United States. In the Central Valleys Project, this measure placed the building of Table Mountain Dam (now proposed to be built at Iron Canyon), the dam on the American River, Kings River and Kaweah, Tule and Kern River Projects in the hands of the Army Engineers. This leaves the Shasta project and the Friant Dam in the Bureau of Reclamation.

While outwardly it appears there is no conflict between these two Federal agencies, it is a well known fact that

sharp differences of opinion do exist. All through their history, the Army Engineers have been concerned with flood control and navigation, while the Bureau of Reclamation has concerned itself with water conservation, power development and irrigation. With the projects divided between these two Federal agencies, it can only result in a complete lack of coordination in water conservation and power development.

While there are provisions in H. R. 4485, now public law 534, where there is surplus water for irrigation, such surpluses may be turned over to the Secretary of Interior for irrigation purposes. In no sense does this provision safeguard the coordinated use of water in the Central Valleys. It is imperative that six projects, namely, American River, Kings River, Kaweah, Tule, Kern and Bidwell Bar projects be constructed and administered by the Bureau of Reclamation.

Several of the projects proposed by the Army Engineers, especially the one on the American River, are low level dams. It would be tragic if this plan goes through on these major streams. In the Central Valleys, water conservation must be the principle objective. The Army Engineers have suggested that first low level dams be built and then later raised to a high level project. The people of the Central Valleys area should not allow themselves to be misled by this type of proposal. Once a low level dam is constructed, a second step is frequently postponed for such a long period, that it would be too late to meet the needs of water conservation.

If we are to provide water for the distressed areas in the South San Joaquin Valley, it is necessary that a transmission line be built from Shasta Dam to make this power available for use, and a power plant be installed at the Kings River Project. It is necessary that project power be used to lift the water up the San Joaquin Valley. To try to do this with private utility power would be prohibitive in cost.

If the Central Valleys Project is constructed as now authorized, it is our opinion it will be extremely difficult, if not impossible, to make available to those areas most in need of water, an adequate supply. It seems ridiculous the Federal Government should spend millions on power development and then sell such power to a privately owned

utility for resale to the consuming public at a substantial profit to themselves.

The California State Grange has authorized the introduction of a bill in Congress providing for a Federal authority for the Central Valleys Project. Such a bill has been prepared, and is now in the hands of a Congressman, and may be introduced shortly after the first of the year. This measure provides for administration by three directors appointed by the President, by, and with, the consent of the United States Senate. Officials who are familiar with authority bills have stated the State Grange measure is the most sensible one so far considered. We believe this bill presents the best plan for administration and the most satisfactory solution to some of the problems involved in the construction and administration of the Central Valleys Project.

It is not possible to have this project taken over by the State of California. Conservative estimates indicate if the State should attempt to finance this project, it would practically double the cost of water to the farmer. Such movements should be vigorously opposed.

We therefore recommend this State Grange Convention reaffirm former actions on water conservation, development and distribution of public power.

HOME ECONOMICS

During the year just closed, our Home Economics Department has made an outstanding record. If the services and activities of our Home Economics Clubs, and Committees, in the war effort could be fully chronicled, we would not even estimate the number of volumes such a report would fill. The members of these Clubs and Committees may have the satisfaction and the pardonable pride for a service well performed.

Under the very able leadership of Mrs. Mabel Glenn, State Chairman, and the other members of the State Home Economics Committee, Mrs. Margaret Stewart, Mrs. Emma Michalk, and Mrs. Mayme Hill, the Home Economics Department has been very active in all Grange activities, with the possible exception of legislative and economic movements. Their contribution to the State Grange Building Fund will make it possible to bring the dream of a State Grange Headquarters in Sacramento to a realization in the very near future. The funds they have forwarded to the

Grange Educational Fund will make it possible in the future to help deserving Grange boys and girls to secure higher education.

Space in this report does not permit enumerating all of the Home Economics activities, but we are all fully aware of their great contribution to the Grange in California.

Mrs. Glenn, State Home Economics chairman, will report more fully on Home Economics activities.

AGRICULTURAL LEGISLATION

The last session of the Legislature made important changes in some of the Marketing Acts. Since its first enactment, the Delegate Body of the State Grange passed resolutions at nearly every session opposing the California pro rate act. Largely through the efforts of the State Grange and the able support of Senator Jespersen, the administration of this act was transferred from a commission, to the Department of Agriculture. The last session of the Legislature practically repealed this law. What was formerly the pro rate act, is now the Agricultural Producers Marketing Act. The new law embodies most of the principles which the State Grange has advocated for marketing acts, namely, before any program can become effective, the producers affected are given the right of individual ballot. The California Marketing Act of 1937, a Grange sponsored measure, was amended by the last session of the Legislature, making several important changes. In 1937, the Legislature enacted the Agricultural Products Marketing act, which was intended to give support by state law to marketing agreements under Federal statutes, which might be in effect in this State. In 1943, the Legislature re-enacted this law, and it became known as the Agricultural Products Marketing Act of 1943. Apparently through an error, the measure did not include a provision to repeal the 1937 act, we therefore have two Agricultural Products Marketing Acts in the agricultural code which are almost identical. The State Grange is on record, by resolutions passed at several Conventions, advocating writing a single marketing act. Under present conditions, with practically four marketing laws in force, confusion often results among the producers, as to the provisions of these different laws, and how they affect a contemplated marketing plan. With the highly controversial pro rate act no longer

in existence, plans should be developed to carry out the declaration of the State Grange that one Marketing Act be written, embodying the best features of those now on the statute books.

Another important measure adopted by the last Legislature, is the Dairy Industry Bill. When this measure was presented it provided that if 55 per cent of the dairymen voted in the affirmative, it would put the act in effect. The State Grange requested the percentage be raised from 55 per cent to 65 per cent, this was approved by the Legislature. Reports reaching this office indicate the plan has been approved by approximately 80 per cent of the dairymen in California. This law will be administered by a commission of nineteen members representing all lines of the dairy industry. Its objective is to promote the sale of dairy products through educational and research work.

Space in this report does not permit a review of all Agricultural Legislation. The five laws referred to above will probably be of importance to producers in this State during the postwar period.

CONDITION OF THE GRANGE

The National Grange year for determining membership gain in the several states ends June 30th. We are happy to report that last year was one of the most successful in Grange membership gain for several years. The quota for this State was 3,000 net gain. It gives us great pleasure to report this quota has been exceeded. National Secretary, Harry A. Caton, made the following comment in a letter:

"Congratulations on a very successful Grange year in your state—and a whopping gain in membership!"

This office takes no credit for the success in Grange membership gains. It is due to the services, the loyalty, and the activity of Grange members throughout the State. It is interesting to note that membership increases were fairly evenly distributed over all of California.

Reports so far received for the September 30th quarter indicate next year's gains will be even larger than the one just closed. All lines of Grange activity in the State stand today at an all-time high.

The State Secretary will give a detailed report on membership gain and Grange finances.

GRANGERS BUSINESS ORGANIZATION, INC.

Towards the end of last year the General Board of Directors developed plans for an extensive expansion of our Business Organization. A five-year plan for financing and expanding our Cooperative was approved. The plan was submitted to the members of the Business Organization and met with almost unanimous favorable response. This plan is now in operation, and when commodities become available, the necessary facilities will be set up to carry out the program adopted by the Board of Directors.

Never has the Business Organization been in such a strong financial position as at present. All our business with suppliers is on a cash basis. Before the end of this year every member who has made contributions for the building of plants, or the purchase of commodities, will be repaid, with the exception of newly established plants.

All members of the Grange should avail themselves of the opportunity to make savings by purchasing through the Business Organization. Even with the number of members now participating, based on the best estimate so far available, dividends paid this year, will be approximately \$60,000. The savings which can be made for our membership will be materially increased as the volume of sales expands.

The Grangers Business Organization, like the Grange itself, is governed from the membership up. The members of the Grange who have made purchases from the Business Organization in an area where a plant is located, or distribution carried on, meet annually and elect a local board. This board in turn elects one of their members to represent them on the State Board of Directors. In other words, the Business Organization is governed by a State Board of Directors representing the membership from each area where a distribution center is maintained.

F. J. Greer, Vice-President, will give a more detailed report on our operations for the past year.

FULL EMPLOYMENT LEGISLATION

The Full Employment Bill now before Congress may be acted upon by both Houses before the end of the year. Full employment during the postwar period, and later, is a necessity. The income of American agriculture and the payroll of industrial labor are never far apart. Every effort should be made to make it possible for private in-

dustry to supply the work to keep employment at a high level. However, if industry, for some reason, cannot meet these requirements then government must undertake projects which will provide employment. One of the difficulties in meeting the problem of unemployment, if it should arise, is finding "suitable employment" for those needing work.

Naturally there are some of the unemployed who would use this as a means of being out of work. Legislation must be enacted which will provide for full employment, but care should be taken that such a law does not have a tendency to turn people away from private industry to public works. If during the reconversion period, either the Federal Government, or the State, should find it necessary to give assistance to unemployed, we should avoid the program followed in the emergency of several years ago by paying people not to work. We must not allow the thought that the government owes people a living to get too strong a foothold in the United States. The declaration made by the National Grange is sound, namely, the State does not owe anyone a living, but it does owe everyone the right to earn a living.

If public projects are undertaken to provide employment, they should be of a nature that they would have a value after construction. Full employment at good wages is a necessity in order to keep the income of the country at a point where it will be possible to pay interest on the national debt.

PUBLIC HEALTH

During the last session of the Legislature, two bills were presented which provided for compulsory health insurance in California. One of these was advocated by Governor Warren, the other by the CIO. A measure was also introduced by the California Medical Association, providing for voluntary health insurance plans. The two bills for compulsory insurance did not get out of committee. The Legislature has appointed an interim committee to study this problem.

The Wagner-Murray Bill now before the U. S. Senate is identical with a bill introduced in the House, provides for compulsory health insurance on a national scale. Germany has had public health insurance since the days of Bismarck, and England has had it for a number of years.

Generally speaking, there are two types of compulsory health insurance. In one the people are permitted to select their physician, the other operates on what is termed a "panel system," namely, the physician is given a certain number of people to which he is expected to give medical service. Notwithstanding compulsory insurance in the two countries referred to, life expectancy is much higher in the United States than in either of the other two. However, this may be attributed to the high infant mortality in some of the congested areas in Europe, and a much higher standard of living in the United States.

The two bills presented to the Legislature were submitted to the State Grange Executive Committee, and this office was directed to oppose them. Both of these measures contained a very high administrative expense.

The movement towards public health insurance, either on a state level, or by the national government, will probably continue. While better health conditions, especially in rural areas are highly desirable, we are in doubt as to the advisability of adopting either of the measures presented at the last session of the Legislature. Frequently we hear the statement that a large percentage of those conscripted for military service were rejected, due to lack of medical care, this is used as an argument for compulsory health insurance. We are of the opinion that health insurance would not have entirely corrected this condition. It was probably due as much to the lack of the right things to eat during the depression years, as lack of medical attention.

We believe the time has passed when a child which may be suffering from a curable ailment is allowed to grow to manhood, or womanhood, and carry a physical defect throughout their lives. When a child in the United States is suffering either from an injury, or an ailment which can be corrected, such child is entitled to the best medical skill the country affords to have their ailment, or injury corrected. Any other course will no longer be tolerated.

This State Grange Convention has before it a plan for cooperative health insurance for Grange members. This plan has been tentatively approved by the State Grange Executive Committee, and provides for surgical care and hospitalization. In determining the course which the State Grange will pursue regarding compulsory health insurance, we trust the delegates will keep in mind, that it is highly

desirable to have the selection of a physician, and to maintain the highest possible development of medical skill. We must keep in mind that socialized medicine as proposed in some quarters, might lead to the complete loss of interest by the physician in the patient. In other words, it would be operated to some extent on the same basis as the army, namely, a doctor would be given a certain group to serve. Rural areas, not only in California, but throughout the United States are entitled to better medical service than they are now getting.

We believe the plan to build community hospitals is a long step forward. The whole question of compulsory health insurance and medical care should be given careful consideration by this Convention.

FARM LABOR OUTLOOK

Notwithstanding thousands of war workers have been released during the past few months, farmers are experiencing as great, or even greater labor difficulties than one year ago. It is apparent, so far, only a few of the released war workers have applied for work on farms. Notwithstanding figures released indicate a rather substantial unemployment problem in the State; not only agriculture, but other industries are still short of labor. To some extent the answer may be found in the application for unemployment insurance, which in the last two months rose from approximately 23,000 in September to 133,000 for the week ending October 4th. It is difficult to determine if in the future labor employed in war industries will eventually assist in farm work. Until application for work on farms reaches a greater volume than at present, it will be necessary to carry on some of the programs for outside labor which were in effect during the war. Great care must be exercised that we do not bring in outside labor to take the place of domestic workers who are available for work on farms. We must not repeat the experience of the depression when Mexican Nationals were employed by large interests, while millions of Americans could not find work. We all recall during the depression years many of these outside people remained in the State, and were carried on our relief rolls.

Agricultural wages must be on a parity with industrial labor. We can no longer expect to remain on a lower wage level. We believe it is necessary that farmers, in-

dividuals, or cooperatives maintain better housing conditions. This will be an important factor in finding an adequate labor supply.

Until there is a change, and we find more farm labor available, from the apparent unemployment rolls, it will be necessary to continue through 1946, to some extent, the same programs in force during the war. There are certain types of labor which generally requires outside workers. As a rule American labor is unwilling to perform so called stoop labor. Indications are that in the not far distant future, some of this labor will be mechanized. A cotton picking machine is being perfected, and mechanical beet toppers are now in use in a number of places. When these machines are available to producers it will change the farm labor requirements.

This Convention should make a declaration on the farm labor program for the year ahead.

PEACETIME MILITARY CONSCRIPTION

During the 1944 State Grange session held in Sacramento, the following resolution was adopted:

"Therefore Be It Resolved, that the California State Grange go on record as being opposed to compulsory military training during peace time."

Gradually support for peacetime conscription diminished until it was generally conceded the bill pending in Congress would not get out of committee. However, recently with the support of the President, the issue has again been brought forward. Widespread opposition to the measure is developing.

It can be readily understood why professional soldiers support peacetime conscription. It is difficult to understand why this issue should again be raised just after the required number of nations have approved and signed the United Nations Charter. The people are of the opinion this last war was fought to end wars. If the United States should now engage in peacetime conscription to train boys from 18 to 20 years of age for combat duty in the United States Army, many of the nations who signed the United Nations Charter might properly begin to doubt whether we believe world peace can be maintained under the United Nations Charter. There does not seem to be any emergency, and we know of no aggressor that could attack the United States for many years to come.

Throughout our entire history the United States has been a non-military country. If we should adopt the plan proposed in the bill now before Congress, we would be following very closely the methods used by some of the powers in Europe.

When the resolution adopted last year was before the delegate body it was explained its opposition would apply only to peacetime conscription and training for combat duty, and would not affect the manual of arms used in military training in universities and high schools. The declaration made by the State Grange in 1944 on the issue of peacetime conscription is sound, and in the best interests of the country.

CALIFORNIA STATE GRANGE LIVESTOCK FOUNDATION, INC.

During the State Grange Convention held in Santa Barbara in 1941, a resolution was adopted authorizing the organization of the California State Grange Livestock Foundation. This resolution was reaffirmed at the 1942 State session held in Fresno. Last year during the Sacramento Convention, the State Grange Executive Committee was authorized to form and incorporate the California State Grange Livestock Foundation. On February 12th, 1945, during a meeting of the Executive Committee of the State Grange, Articles of Incorporation for the Livestock Foundation were agreed upon, and incorporation authorized. The incorporation was completed in April of this year. Directors are the Master of the State Grange, three members of the State Executive Committee, Harry Barnes, W. L. Smith, George Critchett, and Major Herbert G. Forster. Later Mrs. Mabel Glenn, representing the State Home Economics Department, was added to the board.

The first Board of Directors meeting was held on June 19th. A second meeting was held on August 10th, with all members present. During this meeting plans for the operation and development of the Livestock Foundation were discussed. The annual membership fee was approved and other matters of the Foundation were given consideration by the board, and a general plan of operation of the Foundation was adopted.

Major Forster has prepared a folder on the Foundation which will be distributed to the delegates.

UNITED NATIONS CHARTER

In April of this year the nations of the world gathered in San Francisco for a United Nations Conference to adopt a Charter to maintain world peace. It was my great privilege and honor to attend this Conference as Agricultural Consultant, representing the National Grange.

Beginning with the Dumbarton Oaks proposal, providing for a security council, assembly of nations, economic and social council, and a world court, the Conference proceeded to write a Charter upon which all nations could agree. This was a difficult undertaking. When we consider the differences in the attitude of the nations, the great variety of economic and social structures within different countries, we can form some understanding of the problem which confronted the United Nations meeting. As the Conference progressed the economic and social council, which at first had occupied something of a minor position in the Charter, developed into one of its most important provisions. The economic and social council will probably have more to do with friendly relations between the signees of the Charter than any of its other departments.

One of the most important consultant meetings were the conferences between Agriculture, Labor and Industry. Later Education joined this group. It is the first time, as far as we know, that nationwide representatives of these three economic groups met in conference, and agreed upon a three-page document, which was presented to the American delegation.

Space in this report does not permit a complete review of the United Nations Charter. Its success in maintaining world peace will not rest so much with the text of the Charter itself, as in its administration. It was apparent at the Conference in San Francisco, the attitude of this country would have a great effect on the adoption and success of the Charter. A few days ago the last country required to make the Charter operative, gave its approval.

We are inclined to agree with Mr. Eden's statement in the first plenary session, when he expressed the view, that if the world should ever get into another global war, with modern inventions for the prosecution of war, civilization could not stand such an impact, and if the nations

gathered in San Francisco did not succeed in writing a Charter for world peace, they might not have another chance.

Unless this Charter can be made effective in maintaining world peace those of us who are here now, who have the opportunity to assist in having the United States give its full support to the Charter, if it should fail, we might suddenly come to the sad and unhappy conclusion that the young men who sacrificed their lives in this war, have died in vain.

In supporting the United Nations Charter it would seem peculiarly appropriate that we remember the prophetic words of Abraham Lincoln in his Gettysburg Address. We quote in part:

"It is rather for us to be here dedicated to the great task remaining before us—that from these honored dead we take increased devotion to that cause for which they gave the last full measure of devotion—that we here highly resolve that these dead shall not have died in vain."

POST WAR TRENDS

There is probably no problem which is giving official Washington more concern than postwar programs for American agriculture. During the year a movement was started which gained considerable support to allow agricultural prices in the United States to go down to the level of European prices, and the difference in cost of production be made up to the American producers through subsidies. It was only when a number of the members of the House of Representatives declared they would oppose such a program, that the movement was temporarily stopped. However, we are of the opinion that it may be revived. The well meaning but much misguided people supporting such programs seem to be actuated wholly by the desire for low-price food in the United States. The cost of such subsidy would be prohibitive, and it might eventually result in forcing the American producer down to the European level. If this should happen, labor and industry, likewise would be brought down in their earning capacity and in their operations. It would necessarily follow that the living standard of the United States would be lowered.

While in Washington, D. C., last summer, we frequently heard discussions to the effect that it would again be necessary to curtail agricultural production in the United States

during the postwar period. These suggestions are generally based on the policy of economic scarcity, that is, trying to hold up farm prices through scarcity of a commodity. Whether or not we again have farm surpluses will rest to a considerable extent on the buying power of the consuming public. Congress has guaranteed to the producer of some of our staple commodities a price level of 90 % of parity, and cotton at 92 %. While no one seems to be wholly certain just where parity would be, it has been estimated that such program might cost the Federal Government one and a half billion dollars per year. It is not reasonable to assume if such a program is put into effect that government regulation of production and distribution will not follow. The two price program has considerable support. Under such a plan the price for the domestic consumption of any commodity would be fixed, and the surpluses, if any, sold abroad at world price level. The American producer would receive the full price for domestic consumption, but the price received for the surpluses would be at the world level. This plan has many difficulties of administration. Recently a prize of \$5,000 was offered for the best plan in the postwar period for American agriculture. The first prize went to an economist. The plan proposed by him would require that the government fix forward prices, that is the price any producer would receive for any commodity would be fixed by the government, and the farmer would know when he planned his crop what the sale price would be. It is interesting to note that those who awarded the prize gave this plan first place.

It is also probable that federal marketing agreements will again be undertaken during the postwar period. If such movements are again undertaken, propagandising by federal agencies to induce farmers to vote for such programs should be definitely prohibited.

From the information so far available it seems reasonably certain that whatever course American agriculture follows in the postwar period it will be through government planning. If farmers expect price floors under a commodity they must expect that the government will regulate the production and distribution of such commodities. The Grange has never supported drastic curtailment of production as a means of bringing higher prices to farmers. In order to safeguard the whole economic structure of the

country, it is necessary during the postwar period that farmers produce to the maximum of their capacity with fair prices. To make this possible, labor must be employed at good wages and industry must expand. The important thing that California and American agriculture must determine is how far they are willing to have their economic structure controlled and regulated by government.

MEMORIAM

Little did we anticipate one year ago as our State Grange Convention closed that before another year had passed, death would again enter the ranks of State Grange officers. Just a few months after the close of the State Convention Brother A. J. Crandall, Gate Keeper of the State Grange, passed away.

Happily the war is over, and there will no longer be the shocking news of death of a young man in battle. There have been many Grange homes saddened by the passing of relatives or friends during the year. It is fitting that we should pause in the labors of this Convention and pay tribute to these departed members. A memorial service under the direction of the State Chaplain will be held on Thursday.

CONCLUSION

As the nation progresses from war to peacetime economy there is evidence of the restiveness of the American people. Labor is engaged in more strikes than usual. Coupled with this are lockouts on the part of industry. Some large industrialists under the guise of free enterprise are apparently proceeding on the theory that it is all right to take everything they can get, and to hold it, notwithstanding that it might be detrimental to the economic affairs of the State and the Nation. The public generally has little sympathy for those strikes which are purely a jurisdictional dispute between rival unions. Work stoppages in the reconversion period are not only detrimental to industry and labor, but to the public generally. If they should continue over an extended period, there is a possibility that it may lead to governmental interference to the extent that both the profits of industry and wages paid labor will be regulated. Information so far available indicates that such a plan would be extremely distasteful to both of these economic groups.

We are of the opinion if present trends continue very long the people of the United States will stand at the cross-roads. One highway will lead in the direction we are accustomed to traveling, namely, a government supported by the people. The other one which would change the whole economic and social structure of the country, which at the present time seems to present a very rosy view to many people, namely, a people supported by the government. In recent years when the producers of a commodity are in distress they invariably rely on the government for aid. If some of the plans for agriculture in the postwar period, now being considered, are put into effect, farmers of the United States will be confronted with government regulations of both production and distribution. When an industry such as agriculture accepts federal aid, farmers should keep in mind that not so many years ago the United States Supreme Court rendered a decision, "where the government gives the government can regulate."

If in the reconversion period the country should choose the highway referred to above, as a people supported by the government, it would result in an economy controlled by the government.

It is necessary that the income of the people of the country be held at a high level. If through a depression, or through some other cause, the income of the nation should reach the low level of a few years ago, it would have disastrous results. Apparently there are many people in the country who have convinced themselves that a depression following this war is unavoidable. If we think depression long enough and hard enough, we will get one. There is grave doubt if the United States could withstand the impact of such a depression as occurred in the early thirties. Once the fear of an economic collapse is imbued in the hearts and minds of the people, nothing can stop it, but if we have the courage to meet the problems as they arise on a basis of reasonable equality for all economic groups, we believe the disaster of a depression can be avoided. Surely we should be able to profit by the lessons of the past.

One of the alarming things is the indifference of the people generally to the economic and social changes that are taking place. In the time of the nation's great need for constructive plans, it is fitting that we dedicate our-

selves anew to upholding the ideals of our democracy. Let us remember we are living in a new world, and economic and social changes are inevitable. It is our problem to guide these changes down sound and constructive channels. We may all have a pardonable pride in the fact that all through its history the Grange has never been guided by policy or expediency, but has always adhered to a principle. There can be no compromise with these principles. The Grange has never built its legislative, economic or social programs on the shifting sands of policy, but has always built them on the solid rock of principle. Before this delegate body are both a great opportunity and responsibility. A great opportunity to present a program for California agriculture, and a great responsibility that such program is at once constructive and progressive.

We are certain when the gavel falls and the 1945 session of the California State Grange passes into history, the declarations made here will have a far-reaching influence on the future of agriculture in this State. We are confident that you will meet the requirements of both opportunity and responsibility.

Fraternally submitted,
GEORGE SEHLMAYER, Master
California State Grange.

Acting State Master Barnes stated that the report would be referred to the Committee on Division of Labor, and it was so ordered.

State Master Sehlmeier resumed his station and the recess was declared at an end. State Grange continued in the 4th degree.

OVERSEER'S REPORT

The Worthy State Overseer, Edwin Koster presented the following report:

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

We are again being entertained in the vacation land City of Santa Cruz. While we are assembled here for long hours of hard work, there should be some time between sessions to relax and enjoy the advantages of meeting in Santa Cruz.

Last year while the war was on farmers were faced with many complex economic problems. The war's end, however, has not lessened them.

Postwar agriculture and reconversion and the formation of a just and lasting peace will not be easy to solve. The Grange has the opportunity as well as the responsibility, to take an active part in these plans.

As in other sessions, this delegate body will write a program—one which will be so clear that there will be no doubt as to the course the Grange will follow. Then with the continued help of a faithful and a determined membership, results will be accomplished.

May all of you have a profitable and an enjoyable convention.

Fraternally submitted,
EDWIN KOSTER, Overseer
California State Grange

Other reports were presented as follows:

STATE LECTURER'S REPORT

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

It is again a privilege to meet with you, greet old friends and new and help solve problems which confront us as Grange Officers and of Agriculture.

I have received reports from a large percentage of Lecturers throughout the state, and have helped with their problems to the best of my ability. But those who did not report, we have no way of knowing how well their work was accomplished or whether they have any problems.

We have had Lecturers Conferences with good attendance, in nearly every Grange County. Also attended some regular Grange meetings, besides answering numerous letters and sending program material wherever requested.

Some of the most important topics discussed by members, during Lecture hour have been: Proceedings of State and National Grange, Juvenile and Youth Programs, Postwar problems, Credit Union, Articles taken from our State Grange News, Central Valleys Project and many other problems of Agriculture.

A new feature added this year to help Lecturers is a bulletin, sent quarterly, which contains suggestions and material which may be used for programs.

Report blanks are also provided to encourage and assist getting out reports.

These as well as two articles each month in our State Grange News have been well received.

Points given special attention throughout the year have been:

1. A card index filing system for Lecturers, with the names of all members. Each card containing special characteristics such as occupation, hobbies, talents as well as name and birthday of the member. These may be used to advantage when planning programs.

2. Advance planning of programs, meeting with the Master, Home Economic Chairman and other officers.

3. The importance of a Lecturers' fund, with which book material, prizes, decorations, etc., may be bought. All books, bulletins, etc., to be turned to their successor.

4. Special effort has been given trying to get each member to take part in a program during the year.

Pomona Lecturers have given good co-operation in calling Conferences of Subordinate Lecturers and results have been most gratifying.

Reports still come to me from some Lecturers that they do not have the support and co-operation from their membership which they should have. I would like to urge each delegate to take this message back to their membership. "Your Lecturer is chairman of the literary program and educational work of the Grange. It is the duty of every Grange member to assist wherever possible. Education is Power."

There is no job that is too big if we but work together;

We've got to live, we've got to dig, in every kind of weather.

No matter what we under-take, together, we can do it,
If we will all co-operate and go right to it.

Fraternally submitted,
HILDA L. ATKINS, Lecturer
California State Grange

STEWARD'S REPORT

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

One year ago when the members of the California State Grange assembled in our State Capital for the annual convention, our fighting forces were on the battle fronts of the world confronting an enemy that was determined to destroy truth, justice and liberty. Today that enemy has raised the white flag of surrender and has stacked his arms in defeat.

Our Statesmen are now engaged in the serious problem of winning the peace; mistakes made in world war one must not be repeated; the suffering, the sacrifices and the glorious achievements of our fighting men and women must not have been in vain.

Now is the day, now is the hour, when the California State Grange must step forth with a program that will bolster the morale of our national leaders, that will strengthen the hand of justice, and paralyze the hand of greed.

Yours for a successful convention.

Fraternally submitted,
ED HILL, Steward
California State Grange

ASSISTANT STEWARD'S REPORT

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

It is with pleasure that I report to you to serve as Assistant Steward at another session of our State Grange Convention.

We of the farm have much to do to preserve the peace which so many of our dear ones paid for with their lives to win.

May we be most successful at this our 73rd Convention.

Fraternally submitted,

W. G. LACAILLE, Assistant Steward
California State Grange

CHAPLAIN'S REPORT

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

Another year has passed into history and we have assembled again in Convention session to work for the good of our order and all mankind.

By the Grace of God, the weapons of war are being turned into implements of peace, and we must, as a united people, recognize the brotherhood of man, if we seek a real and lasting peace.

Wisdom and strength are needed to shoulder the problems of a post-war era and to sustain the liberty and freedom throughout the conquered nations. Our standards must be high and our courage strong to face these grave responsibilities; but with divine guidance we can and will surmount every obstacle.

The true goal we seek and strive for, is freedom under God. The ultimate victory of tomorrow depends on the willingness of the nations to accept the Golden Rule as a standard of living.

It has been an honor and a privilege to serve you as State Chaplain, during which time I have had the pleasure of visiting Granges in several counties and have assisted with memorial services on various occasions.

I sincerely hope and pray that peace at home and abroad may be maintained, and it can be if we "Wait on the Lord, be of good courage and he shall strengthen thine

heart: wait, I say, on the Lord."

Fraternally yours,

LETA LITTLER, Chaplain
California State Grange

TREASURER'S REPORT

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

Herewith I submit the following report of the finances of the California State Grange for the year ending September 30, 1945.

GENERAL FUND

Two Bonds (California Consumers		
6%)	\$ 2,000.00	
Pacific States Savings (Pass Book)	1,064.29	
Bills Receivable (Grangers Busi-		
ness Org. Note).....	5,000.00	\$ 8,064.29

CASH RECEIPTS

Bank Balance (beginning of year)	\$17,627.84	
Received from Secretary Jan. 12,		
1945	9,000.00	
March 23, 1945.....	8,000.00	
June 25, 1945.....	8,000.00	
August 22, 1945.....	6,000.00	
September 26, 1945..	4,284.40	\$52,912.24

DISBURSEMENTS

As per Secretary's Warrants.....	\$31,425.36	
Balance		\$21,486.88

EXTENSION FUND

Bank Balance (Beginning of year)	\$ 1,572.00
Received from Secretary, Jan. 12,	
1945	1,000.00
March 23, 1945.....	600.00
June 25, 1945.....	1,000.00
September 26, 1945....	601.01
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	\$ 4,773.01

DISBURSEMENTS

As per Secretary's Warrants.....	\$ 2,913.43
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	\$ 1,859.58

EDUCATIONAL FUND

Bank Balance (Beginning of year)	\$ 2,602.45
Total Deposits.....	1,339.56
Interest	23.64
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	\$ 3,965.65
Five Notes Paid.....	925.00
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	\$ 4,890.65

BUILDING FUND

Bank Balance (Beginning of year)	\$ 316.52
Total Deposits.....	6,260.90
Interest	2.00
1 Bond (Serial No. Q 381528 F)	18.50
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	\$ 6,597.92
Total Resources.....	<hr/>
	\$34,835.03

Fraternally submitted,
M. T. HUNT, Treasurer
California State Grange

SECRETARY'S REPORT

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

Since making my report a year ago, many things have happened to give us much encouragement. Grange growth and activities have been outstanding throughout the entire state.

During the Grange year just closed Calaveras Grange, Calaveras County, was organized with 35 charter members, Hayfork Valley Grange, Trinity County, was organized with 30 charter members, Los Banos Grange, Merced County, with 40 charter members and Porterville Grange, Tulare County, with 39 charter members. These Granges were organized by State Deputy, Edwin Koster.

Mt. Lassen, McArthur, Mt. Bolivar, Fort Bragg, Ojai Valley, Mattole, Mt. Vernon, Anderson, Sebastopol and Del Rosa Juvenile Granges have been added to the list, with Chico Juvenile Grange being re-organized. May I urge each Matron to make regular quarterly reports to the State Secretary as it is now Grange law that Juvenile Reports must be made to the National Secretary.

MEMBERSHIP

Tabulation of Subordinate Granges show a large increase in membership, 28,613 members in good standing as of June 30, 1945, compared with 25,340 subordinate membership a year ago—a net increase of 3,273 members. Pomona membership is 6,919 and Juvenile membership is 900.

HALL DEDICATIONS

Granges within the state having dedicated their halls and consecrated them to the service of the Grange are: Gilroy Grange No. 398 and Greenfield Grange No. 357. This makes 116 Granges in this state owning their own halls.

SILVER STAR CERTIFICATES

This year Silver Star Certificates have been awarded to Mrs. Pearl Feldmeyer, Geyserville Grange; William Metzner, R. D. Davis, James T. Bernard, Ada D. Bernard, Mountain View Grange; Dorris Klaumann, Karl Klaumann, Ernest C. White, Bert Fly, Aromas Grange; H. H. Button, Mrs. Clara M. Lawrence, Lee Soper, Mrs. Mary Hoyle,

Santa Rosa Grange and Emily Cavanaugh and Frederic Cavanaugh, Bellevue Grange.

Silver Star Pins are again available.

GOLDEN SHEAF CERTIFICATES

During the past year we received requests for a Golden Sheaf Certificate for C. F. Connors, Miss Fannie L. Gamble, Mrs. Rhoda Hershberger, Mrs. Elizabeth Ross and O. E. Bremmer all of Santa Rosa Grange No. 17.

HONOR GRANGES

Farmersville Juvenile Grange was an honor Grange for the second consecutive year. Cedar Grange and Davis Creek Grange applied for Honor Certificates for the first time. Yucaipa Valley and Hilmar Granges qualified for the second year award while Fonbloom Grange qualified for the sixth consecutive year. Millville Grange also qualified as an Honor Grange.

We are still experiencing difficulty in securing supplies, which has greatly handicapped us at times. Subordinate Granges have been very cooperative and we trust in the near future all supplies will be obtainable.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT—GENERAL FUND

Receipts	
Balance September 30, 1944.....	\$20,897.29
Fees and Dues.....	\$27,411.70
National Grange.....	532.99
Grange News.....	380.57
Grangers Business Organization.....	1,581.91
Fifth and Sixth Degree Appl.....	582.00
California Consumers Corp.....	70.00
Pacific States Savings and Loan.....	259.73
Supplies	1,087.88
Miscellaneous	108.17
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	\$32,014.95
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Total disbursements as per warrants in Journal.....	\$52,912.24
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	\$31,425.36
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Total assets as of September 30, 1945	\$21,486.88

FINANCIAL STATEMENT—EXTENSION FUND

Receipts

Balance September 30, 1944.....	\$ 2,142.00
Farmers Underwriters Assn.....	2,631.01

Total Receipts.....	\$ 4,773.01
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Disbursements

Organization and Miscellaneous Exp.	\$ 2,913.43
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Total Assets.....	\$ 1,859.58
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FINANCIAL STATEMENT—EDUCATIONAL FUND

Balance September 30, 1944.....	\$ 3,578.45
Contributions	355.56
Five Notes Paid.....	925.00
Interest on note.....	8.00
Interest entered in pass book.....	23.64

Total Assets Sept. 30, 1945.....	\$ 4,890.65
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FINANCIAL STATEMENT—BUILDING FUND

Total Cash Assets September 30,	
1944	\$ 297.77
One Bond Serial No. Q 665679 F	
September 30, 1944....	18.75

	\$ 316.52
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Receipts

Contributions	\$ 1,255.90
Transferred from General Fund....	5,000.00
One Bond Serial No. Q 381528 F....	18.50
Interest entered in pass book.....	2.00
Paid to Treasurer by Panama Grange	5.00

	6,281.40
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Total Assets.....	\$ 6,597.92
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Fraternally submitted,

CELIA M. HARDING, Secretary
California State Grange

CERES' REPORT

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

This 73rd Convention falls on the month of Thanksgiving. With our harvests completed and our country once more at peace, it is particularly fitting that we offer our humble thanks to God at this time.

Let us always remember the early history of America and strive to preserve the form of government that our forefathers gave us.

Fraternally submitted,

ESTELLE MENSINGER, Ceres
California State Grange

POMONA'S REPORT

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

It is with pleasure that I come to serve you as your Pomona.

I extend my best wishes for a pleasant and profitable session.

Fraternally submitted,

MAY SCHMIDT, Pomona
California State Grange

FLORA'S REPORT

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

It is with the greatest of pleasure that I again greet you as Flora, as Flora represents the Goddess of Flowers, flowers that make the hills, the woods, the orchards and the homes glorious with their beauty, and the air redolent with their perfume.

In this world of strife we need more bouquets of flowers strewn in our life's pathway.

I deem it a rare privilege, a pleasure and an honor to assist in carrying on the work of this seventy-third convention of our State Grange.

Fraternally submitted,

VERA I. BLAKELEY, Flora
California State Grange

LADY ASSISTANT STEWARD'S REPORT

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

Since meeting with you one year ago we rejoice together with the end of the war, and many are happy to have their sons with them once more, which serves as a tonic to go forth with renewed energy and strength to do the work that faces the average farmer and his wife, for most of you know from actual experience that our farm work has been heavy.

A wonderful achievement for the world's future would be gained if only we could solve the large problem of how to elevate and to make this certain type of farm labor, a thrifty, homeloving people and would see that their children got the proper education. One cannot fathom this is such a serious problem until you deal with them.

Better housing for farm labor is well taken, but what can we do to teach this type to appreciate and help keep these buildings livable and clean. I feel this is an urgent problem for the betterment of mankind. I have been forced to see this firsthand the past two years.

Patrons, I wish you to know that to be your Lady Assistant Steward for all these years, has been a joy and inspiration and I will be forever grateful, for unless it is the special desire of this delegation, I shall be happy to see another sister have this privilege and pleasure.

Fraternally submitted,

MARGARET ROBINSON, Lady Ass't. Steward.
California State Grange

PIANIST'S REPORT

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

This 1945 Convention will be full of business and long hours.

You will want to relax and sing once in a while. I will be here at the piano to furnish the music and assist the Master, Lecturer, and Chaplin, in any way I can. I believe I have held this office long enough and this position should be passed around. It is an honor to be your pianist and I have enjoyed it very much.

Sincerely and Fraternally,

CLAUDINE HOLMES, Pianist
California State Grange

It was moved by Brother Mannering, seconded by Brother Hansen, that the minutes of the Executive Committee be not read but printed in the Journal. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

(Minutes)

California State Grange Office
Sacramento, California
October 21, 1944

A meeting of the Executive Committee was called to order by the Worthy State Master for the purpose of approving the last day's Journal of the State Convention. All members of the Executive Committee and the State Secretary, were present.

The Journal was approved as read by the State Secretary.

The F. O. B. Marketing Program of El Dorado and Placer counties was discussed by the Committee. Moved by Brother Critchett, seconded by Brother Smith, that the sum of \$25.00 be allowed by the State Grange to help defray expenses in this program. Motion carried.

The Delegate Body referred Resolution No. 47, G. of O. No. 1 to the Executive Committee for their consideration.

This being a lengthy resolution and needing further study, it was moved by Brother Branes, seconded by Brother Smith, that action be deferred until a future meeting. Motion carried.

Fraternally submitted,

CELIA M. HARDING, Secretary
California State Grange

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The Executive Committee meeting of the California State Grange was called to order by the Worthy State Master. All members answered the roll call. The meeting was called to order at 2:00 P. M. in Orland, Glenn County, on December 15, 1944. Owing to the serious illness of her mother, the State Secretary, Mrs. Celia M. Harding could not attend, Mrs. Zelma Hoss was acting Secretary.

The State Master read a letter from Brother Edwin Koster, which stated that his car was badly in need of repairs.

Moved by Brother Critchett, seconded by Brother Barnes, that the Master of the State Grange be authorized to either have Brother Koster's car overhauled, or try to purchase a reconditioned motor. If neither of these are acceptable, then try to purchase a good used car to replace the one he now has. Motion carried.

State Master Sehlmeier brought up the Bill that was referred to in his Annual Address, it is called the "California Dairy Industry Board Act."

Moved by Brother Barnes, seconded by Brother Smith, that the State Master be authorized to amend the proposed Dairy Bill, to provide for a vote by the producers, before a tax is levied, and if this Bill fails that an Amendment be introduced to the California Marketing Act. Motion carried.

The State Master read a communication received from the publishers of the "Blue Letter," a weekly letter, ten dollars a year per subscription.

Moved by Brother Smith, Seconded by Brother Critchett, that this office subscribe for the "Blue Letter." Motion carried.

State Master Sehlmeier discussed the flood control bill, telling of the dangers that would occur if the Bill is not vetoed, as it would place part of the Central Valley project under the Army Engineers, and part in the Bureau of Reclamation. The State Master stated the Bill for a Central Valley Authority Act was ready for introduction. It might be necessary for him to make two trips to Washington when the hearings on the Bill are held.

Moved by Brother Critchett, seconded by Brother Barnes, that the State Master introduce the Authority Bill in Washington, and that he be authorized to attend hearings in Washington when necessary. Motion carried.

The State Master discussed the membership building program for 1945, and also suggested that Conference Meetings be held in as many places in the State as possible, for the Masters, Deputies, Lecturers, Secretaries, Home Economics Chairmen and Juvenile Matrons and Patrons. He also made the suggestion that Mrs. Glenn be asked to hold a number of Home Economics meetings throughout the State.

Brother Barnes moved, seconded by Brother Critchett, that the rules for the membership building program for 1945, remain the same as in 1944. Motion carried.

The Executive Committee requested the State Master to write the decision on the Naugle hearing in accord with the instructions of the Committee, and send a copy to each member for approval, upon being approved the decision be sent to the plaintiff and defendant.

State Master Sehlmeier read a letter from Mr. Henry P. Carstensen, Master of Washington State Grange, requesting him to attend a meeting in Spokane in January.

Moved by Brother Critchett, seconded by Brother Smith, if called, the State Master attend the meeting in Spokane in January. Motion carried.

State Master Sehlmeier read a communication that Mrs. Harding had received from Mrs. von Hoehne, requesting that she might be granted a loan so that she might send her daughter to college.

It was moved and seconded that this office write for more detailed information, before a loan was made to Mrs. von Hoehne.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Fraternally submitted,

ZELMA HOSS, Acting Secretary
California State Grange

Bills audited and paid:

Warrant No.	To Whom Issued	Amount
7323	Duplicator Sales and Service	\$ 42.03
7324	J. R. Wilson, Postmaster. Stamps.	13.50
7325	Celia M. Harding, money advanced for supplies and expenses	39.65
7326	Geo. Sehlmeier, salary third quarter, less tax	707.97
7327	Geo. Sehlmeier, expenses third quarter	163.93
7328	Zelma Hoss, salary less tax	64.84
7329	Woodland Grange, membership prize	5.75
7330	W. L. Smith, G. B. O. meeting	31.05
7331	The Morrissey Co., October rent	150.00
7332	Pacific Tel. and Tel., Sept. bill	56.82
7333	Kerman Juvenile, 3rd prize scrap book	3.00
7334	Panama Juvenile, 2nd prize scrap book	4.00
7335	Three Forks Juvenile, 1st prize scrap book	5.00
7336	Ranchito Juvenile, 1st prize booth	7.00
7337	Mt. Hamilton Juvenile, 2nd prize booth	5.00
7338	Three Forks Juvenile, 3rd prize booth	3.00
7339	to	
7603	Convention mileage and Convention expense	
7604	Humboldt Pomona, 1st prize salvage	7.50
7605	San Bernardino Pomona, 2nd prize salvage	6.00
7606	Santa Clara Pomona, 3rd prize salvage	5.50
7607	Kern Pomona, 4th prize salvage	5.00
7608	Stanislaus Pomona, 5th prize salvage	4.50
7609	Kern Pomona, 1st prize pattern	7.50
7610	San Bernardino, 2nd prize pattern	6.00
7611	Butte Pomona, 3rd prize pattern	5.50
7612	Santa Clara Pomona, 4th prize pattern	5.00
7613	Orange Pomona, 5th prize pattern	4.50
7614	Sierra Valley Grange, 1st prize History book	5.00
7615	East Palo Alto Grange, 2nd prize History book	3.00
7616	Farmersville Grange, 3rd prize History book	2.00
7617	Rio Linda Grange, 4th prize History book	1.00
7618	Kern Pomona, 1st prize scrap book	4.00

7619	McArthur Grange, 2nd prize scrap book	3.00
7620	Ojai Valley Grange, 3rd prize scrap book	2.00
7621	Orland Grange, 4th prize scrap book	1.00
7622	Fonbloom Grange, 1st prize year book	3.00
7623	San Luis Obispo Grange, 2nd prize year book	2.00
7624	Davis Creek Grange, 3rd prize year book	1.00
7625	Tulare Pomona, Honor award	1.00
7626	Riverside Pomona, Honor award	1.00
7627	Placer Pomona, Honor award	1.00
7628	Glenn Pomona, Honor award	1.00
7629	San Luis Obispo Pomona, Honor award	1.00
7630	Sonoma Pomona, Honor award	1.00
7631	Santa Cruz Pomona, Honor award	1.00
7632	Orange Vale Grange, Honor award	1.00
7633	to	
7672	Convention mileage and Convention expense	
7673	Uriel L. Shields, salary and expense	55.85
7674	C. J. Bainbridge, supplies	5.02
7675	Fowler Ensign, supplies and printing	50.74
7676	Theo. W. Olson, Convention mileage	5.70
7677	Hugh P. Donnelly, Convention mileage	5.46
7678	Mrs. May Schmidt, Convention mileage and hotel	18.98
7679	Estelle Mensinger, Convention mileage and hotel	19.20
7680	Hilda L. Atkins, Convention mileage and hotel	23.48
7681	Ed S. Hill, Convention mileage and hotel	36.35
7682	W. G. LaCaille, Convention mileage and hotel	47.10
7683	Claudine Holmes, Convention mileage and hotel	19.50
7684	Celia M. Harding, Convention mileage and hotel	45.00
7685	Leta Littler, Convention mileage and hotel	35.25
7686	Vera I. Blakeley, Convention mileage and hotel	45.57
7687	A. J. Crandall, Convention mileage and hotel	32.82
7688	M. T. Hunt, Convention mileage and hotel	10.40
7689	Leta Littler, Candles for Memorial Service	1.33
7690	Cordie M. Hannah, dinner for Juveniles	8.25
7691	Ed S. Hill, cleaning regalia	4.50
7692	Ruth Dye, assisting State Sec. and hotel	40.00
7693	Lydia N. Joiner, Convention mileage	8.55
7694	Ed Milldrum, Convention mileage	4.50

7695	Santa Clara Pomona Drill Team	100.00
7696	H. A. Dickey, Convention mileage	20.00
7697	H. A. Dickey, Deputy expense	6.84
7698	Mayme Hill, State H. E. expense	15.00
7699	M. T. Hunt, salary, April 1 to Sept. 30, 1944	100.00
7700	W. L. Smith, Convention mileage and P. D.	68.78
7701	Geo. A. Critchett, Convention mileage and P. D.	45.66
7702	Geo. A. Critchett, G. B. O. meeting	9.16
7703	Harry Barnes, Convention mileage and P. D.	48.00
7704	Harry Barnes, guest expense	2.90
7705	Calif. Dept. of Employment, July 1 : Sept. 30	65.06
7706	Collector of Internal Revenue, July 1 : Sept. 30	65.06
7707	Collector of Internal Revenue, July 1 : Sept. 30	196.59
7708	Zelma Hoss, overtime, telephone, etc.	23.55
7709	Zelma Hoss, salary, Oct. 15 to 31, less tax	64.84
7710	Jane Jensen, 12½ hrs. typing at @ .80	10.00
7711	Kittie Van Horn, Convention mileage	3.00
7712	The Morrissey Co., Nov. rent	150.00
7713	Bank of America, imprinted checks	6.90
7714	Wilsons Furniture Exc., table rentals for Convention	8.00
7715	Mrs. Mabel Glenn, salary, quarter ending Sept. 30	75.00
7716	Mrs. Mabel Glenn, Conference expense	15.32
7717	Mrs. Mabel Glenn, H. E. C. expense	36.39
7718	Duplicator Sales and Service	28.60
7719	David Typewriter Co.	1.03
7720	C. J. Bainbridge	2.16
7721	Celia M. Harding, October salary, less tax	80.60
7722	Fowler Ensign, 500 copies Masters address and miscellaneous expense	70.72
7723	W. L. Smith	28.46
7724	Zelma Hoss, salary, Nov. 1 to 15, less tax	64.84
7725	C. N. Merrihew, tire	17.60
7726	Busick and Busick, professional services 1943	150.00
7727	H. S. Crocker, office supplies	4.61
7728	Pacific Tel. and Tel., Oct. bill	82.78
7729	Zelma Hoss, petty cash	5.00
7730	J. R. Wilson, Postmaster Sac'to.	10.50

7731	Harry A. Caton, Sixth Degree Certificates	251.00
7732	Walsh and Day, public address system	160.00
7733	Harry A. Caton, per capita quarter 9-30-44	721.86
7734	Zelma Hoss, salary, Nov. 16 to 30, less tax	64.84
7735	Celia M. Harding, Nov, salary, less tax	80.60
7736	C. N. Merrihew, 2 tire recaps	15.86
7737	H. S. Crocker Co., State Office supplies	2.31
7738	The Morrissey Co., rent	150.00
7739	David Typewriter Co., State Office supplies	1.49
7740	Arnold Sales and Service, S. M.'s car repair	1.66
151 E	Edwin Koster, car expense	25.57
152 E	Edwin Koster, travel expense	20.60
153 E	Edwin Koster, travel expense, stamps and hall rent	15.72
154 E	Edwin Koster, car expense	24.14
155 E	Edwin Koster, salary, less tax	164.76
156 E	Edwin Koster, car expense and storage	21.57
157 E	Edwin Koster, travel expense and hall rent	35.22
158 E	Edwin Koster, Nov. salary, less tax	164.76
159 E	Edwin Koster, travel expense, stamps and phone	17.35
160 E	Edwin Koster, car expense	15.85
161 E	Edwin Koster, travel expense	35.42
162 E	Edwin Koster, car expense	26.30
163 E	Edwin Koster, car expense	18.21
164 E	Edwin Koster, travel expense and salary, less tax	173.03
165 E	Edwin Koster, car expense	22.05
166 E	Edwin Koster, travel expense	17.17
167 E	Edwin Koster, travel expense and January salary, less tax	204.00
168 E	Edwin Koster, car expense	30.06
169 E	Edwin Koster, travel expense	27.05
170 E	Edwin Koster, car expense	28.59

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California State Grange Office
Sacramento, California
February 13, 1945

The meeting was called to order with State Master Sehlmeier presiding. All members of the Executive Committee and the State Secretary were present. Minutes of

the meetings held on October 21 and December 15, 1944 were read and approved.

Sister Hilda L. Atkins, State Lecturer, appeared before the Committee to explain her plan of contacting Subordinate and Pomona Lecturers in order that lecture work might be more closely co-ordinated. She presented a sample report blank and bulletin, to be sent Lecturers quarterly, and petitioned the approval of the Committee for printing and mailing same.

Moved by Brother Barnes, seconded by Brother Critchett, that the above mentioned report blanks be printed in sufficient quantity to last one year. Motion carried.

Moved by Brother Smith, seconded by Brother Barnes, that the bulletin be approved and the State Grange Office be requested to make necessary arrangements for mailing same. Motion carried.

Earl C. Cooper, Rt. 7, Box 5242, Sacramento, an electrician and President of the Electrical Consumers' Association of Northern California, appeared before the Committee, to explain the stand of that Committee regarding the over-charges being made by the Pacific Gas and Electric Company since meters are being read bi-monthly instead of monthly, and to petition the support of the State Grange at a hearing before the Railroad Commission.

It was regularly moved, seconded and carried that the California State Grange intervene in the Railroad Commission hearing in support of the refund of over-charges made by the Pacific Gas and Electric Co.

After discussing the need of new dues receipt books for Subordinate Granges, it was moved by Brother Critchett, seconded by Brother Barnes that the State Secretary be instructed to have 1,000 books printed. Motion carried.

Brother Ed Milldrum, chairman of the State Grange Credit Union Promotion Committee, appeared before the Committee outlining plans of his Committee and asked the State Grange allow them a small fund for stationery and supplies to carry on their work.

Moved by Brother Barnes, seconded by Brother Smith, that a sum up to \$25 be allowed the Credit Union Promotion Committee to be disbursed upon presentation of bills. Motion carried.

Major Herbert G. Forster and Brother August Brucker made an appointment to discuss the California State Grange Livestock Foundation with the Committee. After

some discussion it was moved by Brother Critchett, seconded by Brother Smith, that in accord with Resolution No. 1—Agriculture No. 1, passed at the last State Grange Convention, the Committee authorize incorporation of the California State Grange Livestock Foundation—to be incorporated as a non-profit co-operative and papers to be drawn up by Judge Busick. The following to act as incorporators and members of the Board of Directors, State Master Sehlmeier, the Executive Committee, Brother Barnes, Critchett and Smith and Major Herbert G. Forster, with the understanding the members of the Board be increased when the by-laws are adopted. Motion carried.

Drs. Johnson, Murray and McDonald of the California Medical Association appeared before the Committee to discuss Compulsory Health Insurance measures that are now before the Legislature. After giving considerable study to the plans, it was moved by Brother Barnes, seconded by Brother Smith, we oppose the proposed Compulsory Health Insurance plans now before the Legislature. While taking such action the Committee recognizes the need for both better hospitalization and medical service in rural areas and will support movements or legislation to bring about the desired improvement. Motion carried.

Moved by Brother Barnes, seconded by Brother Critchett, that the Grangers Business Organization note of \$5,000 be renewed at 4% interest. Motion carried.

In accord with a resolution adopted at the last State Grange Convention, it was moved by Brother Smith, seconded by Brother Barnes, that \$5,000 be transferred from the general fund to the building fund. Motion carried.

After some discussion it was moved by Brother Critchett, seconded by Brother Barnes, that an increase of \$15 per month be granted the secretary in the State Master's office, to be effective February 15, 1945. Motion carried.

Moved by Brother Smith, seconded by Brother Critchett, that the State Grange pay for pendants for the State Home Economics Committee. Motion carried.

Moved by Brother Barnes, seconded by Brother Critchett, that the State Grange purchase 50,000 napkins with Grange insignia. Motion carried.

Moved by Brother Barnes, seconded by Brother Smith, that the State Grange oppose any legislation that interferes with free and independent practices. Motion carried.

The following resolution was adopted:

MEMORIAL

WHEREAS, in the death of Brother A. J. Crandall, Gate Keeper of the California State Grange, the Subordinate, Pomona and the State Grange, have lost a loyal and faithful member, and

WHEREAS, in his life he exemplified those principles of fidelity and integrity, which characterized him as a good citizen, and

WHEREAS, by his faithful and loyal work for the Grange, he has endeared himself to all Grange members who knew him;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Executive Committee of the California State Grange, meeting in Sacramento, this 13th day of February, 1945, that we extend to the family of our late Brother Crandall our deep and sincere sympathy;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be entered in the minutes of the Executive Committee, and a copy forwarded to the family.

Bills audited and paid:

Warrant No.	To Whom Issued	Amount
7741	Harold Shay, flowers for Memorial Service	\$37.93
7742	Elmer Binning, hotel bill, S. G. membership campaign	17.86
7743	Elmer Binning, meals at Convention, S. G. membership campaign	16.00
7744	Zelma Hoss, salary, Dec. 1 to 15, less tax	64.84
7745	J. R. Wilson, Postmaster Sac'to., stamps	10.50
7746	Pacific Tel. and Tel., Nov. bill	47.79
7747	Harry Barnes, stamps and misc. expense	4.62
7748	Harry Barnes, Executive meeting, Orland, Dec. 15, 1944	19.79
7749	Celia M. Harding, Dec. salary, less tax	80.60
7750	Fowler Ensign, supplies	40.95
7751	C. J. Bainbridge, supplies	8.64
7752	Geo. Sehlmeier, Christmas bonus, Mrs. Hoss and Mr. Hunt	7.50
7753	Zelma Hoss, salary, Dec. 16 to 31, less tax	64.84
7754	The Morrissey Co., January rent	150.00
7755	Geo. Sehlmeier, expenses while in Washington, D. C.	72.82

7756	Geo. Sehlmeier, salary, October 1 to December 31, less tax	707.97
7757	Geo. Sehlmeier, expense account, Oct. 1 to Dec. 31	47.67
7758	Farmers Auto Insurance Exchange	21.60
7759	Cordie M. Hannah, Juvenile Supt. expense 1944	22.45
7760	Cordie M. Hannah, expense to Sacramento conference	13.78
7761	Emma Michalk, expense to Sacramento conference	15.78
7762	Margaret Stewart, H. E. C. expense 1944	4.10
7763	Pacific Tel. and Tel., Dec. bill	81.73
7764	Fowler Ensign, 800 Journals \$520.40; 1 M Postals \$14.75, tax \$13.38	548.53
7765	Zelma Hoss, salary, Jan. 1 to 15, less tax	61.24
7766	Collector of Internal Revenue, quarter ending Dec. 31, 1944	195.08
7767	Collector of Internal Revenue, Contribution to S. S.	63.90
7768	California Department of Employment, Contribution to Unemployment and Old Age Pension	63.90
7769	Hilda L. Atkins, exp. Sacramento Conf.	19.10
7770	Margaret Stewart, exp. Sacramento Conf.	18.70
7771	H. S. Crocker, supplies for State Office	2.06
7772	Lydia N. Joiner, exp. Sacramento Conf.	29.60
7773	J. E. Gange, exp. Sacramento Conf.	14.47
7774	John I. Berg, exp. Sacramento Conf.	7.27
7775	Merle Mensinger, exp. Sacramento Conf.	5.50
7776	F. J. Greer, exp. Sacramento Conf.	2.35
7777	L. C. Lattin, exp. Sacramento Conf.	9.80
7778	Owen E. Hollister, exp. Sacramento Conf.	21.00
7779	L. H. Parks, exp. Sacramento Conf.	19.95
7780	Carl Ryser, exp. Sacramento Conf.	19.80
7781	A. Brucker, exp. Sacramento Conf.	10.20
7782	Thomas Eide, exp. Sacramento Conf.	22.78
7783	H. J. Brown, exp. Sacramento Conf.	23.60
7784	Robert Wardlow, exp. Sacramento Conf.	27.79
7785	A. C. Smith, exp. Sacramento Conf.	14.64
7786	James B. Frost, exp. Sacramento Conf.	22.45
7787	H. A. Dickey, exp. Sacramento Conf.	23.10
7788	Geo. H. Klare, exp. Sacramento Conf.	12.70
7789	Marshall Dopkins, exp. Sacramento Conf.	8.00

7790	Merle Hackett, exp. Sacramento Conf.	23.81
7791	F. R. Davis, exp. Sacramento Conf.	26.48
7792	O. M. Davis, exp. Sacramento Conf.	15.40
7793	Vincent Granucci, exp. Sacramento Conf.	6.75
7794	Ruth Dye, exp. Sacramento Conf.	14.70
7795	Chas. W. Glover, exp. Sacramento Conf.	28.65
7796	W. L. Smith, exp. Sacramento Conf.	13.48
7797	W. L. Smith, G. B. O. meeting	14.30
7798	W. L. Smith, Executive meeting, Orland, Dec. 15, 1944	17.98
7799	S. B. Garbutt, exp. Sacramento Conf.	21.95
7800	Dovie Freeman, exp. Sacramento Conf.	21.75
7801	C. J. Bainbridge, supplies	23.92
7802	The Morrissey Co., February rent	150.00
7803	Zelma Hoss, salary, Jan. 16 to 31, less tax ..	61.24
7804	Hilda L. Atkins, salary, Oct. 1 to Dec. 31, 1944 and supplies	51.12
7805	Celia M. Harding, Jan. salary, less tax	87.00
7806	J. R. Wilson, Postmaster Sac'to., stamps	14.50
7807	Duplicator Sales and Service	10.61
7808	David Typewriter Co., supplies	1.03
7809	C. N. Merrihew, tire recaps	7.64
171 E	Edwin Koster, Feb. salary, less tax; and travel expense	186.65
172 E	Edwin Koster, car expense (seat covers)	24.71
173 E	Edwin Koster, car expense, Feb. 6 to March 5	31.44
174 E	Edwin Koster, travel expense, Feb. 16 to March 5	50.17

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Fraternally submitted,

CELIA M. HARDING, Secretary
California State Grange

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California State Grange Office
Sacramento, California
June 19, 1945

Worthy State Master, Brother Sehlmeier, called the Executive Committee meeting to order at 10:45 A. M. All members answered roll call. Minutes of the previous

meeting held on February 13, 1945, were read and approved.

The State Secretary read a letter regarding the payment of the Hanrahan Student Loan note. Moved by Brother Barnes, seconded by Brother Critchett, that we accept the payment and close the loan. Motion carried.

Moved by Brother Critchett, seconded by Brother Barnes, that the Executive Committee direct State Master Sehlmeier to take two weeks vacation during the month of July. Motion carried.

Major Herbert G. Forster appeared before the Committee to go over the By-Laws of the California State Grange Livestock Foundation. State Master Sehlmeier appointed the Executive Committee to act as the sub-committee of the Foundation. The sub-committee recommended that Brother Forster be appointed 1st Vice-President and Managing Director; and Brother Critchett be appointed 2nd Vice-President of the Foundation. The Managing Director to have authority to appoint a temporary secretary and treasurer and be invested with authority to proceed with promotional, membership and endowment program.

Moved by Brother Smith, seconded by Brother Barnes, that the report of the sub-committee be approved. Motion carried.

Dr. P. K. Gilman, President of the California Medical Association and W. M. Bowman, Executive Director of the California Physicians Service, appeared before the Committee to present a Surgical and Hospitalization program for Grange members.

After carefully considering the program as set forth by the representatives of the above mentioned Association, it was moved by Brother Critchett, seconded, by Brother Barnes, that the plan submitted by C. P. S. is not acceptable in its present form and instructed the State Master to ask them to present another plan including medical care. Motion carried.

Moved by Brother Barnes, seconded by Brother Smith, that the State Secretary be instructed to buy a new seal. Motion carried.

Moved by Brother Smith, seconded by Brother Critchett, that the State Master be instructed to ask Governor Warren to veto Senate bill 677. Motion carried.

The State Master read a letter from radio station KXOA, Sacramento, asking the State Grange to co-operate with the broadcast of that station. It was moved by Brother Critchett, seconded by Brother Barnes, that this matter be left to the discretion of the State Master. Motion carried.

Moved by Brother Critchett, seconded by Brother Smith, we meet the requirements of the ABC in relation to Grange News subscriptions. Motion carried.

After inspecting a building on 8th street in Sacramento that had been proposed for a State Grange building, it was moved by Brother Barnes, Seconded by Brother Critchett, that the building be not purchased as it is not a suitable building or site for the State Grange. Motion carried.

A letter from the State Lecturer was read, asking that the Reception and Lecture Programs at the State Grange Convention, be held on separate nights. After some discussion, it was moved by Brother Critchett, seconded by Brother Barnes, that owing to lack of time the Committee does not deem it advisable to separate, but shorten both programs. Motion carried.

In her communication the State Lecturer also petitioned the Executive Committee for authority to enter the "Quartet Contest" and the State Grange to send the winners to the National Grange Convention. After due deliberation it was moved by Brother Barnes, seconded by Brother Smith, that the "Quartet Contest" be approved and that when and if a State Grange Convention is held, 1st, 2nd and 3rd prizes be allowed by the State Grange. Motion carried.

Moved by Brother Critchett, seconded by Brother Barnes, that the California State Grange endorse the action of the National Grange on Reciprocal Trade Agreements and that Senators Johnson and Downey be asked to give their support. Motion carried.

The State Master advised the Committee that one H. E. Chairman had turned a jar of H. E. Building Fund money into his office and asked the Committee what disposition should be made of the money. It was unanimously decided the State Master should send the jar to the bank and have it counted, then have it put through the proper channel.

On motion of Brother Smith, seconded by Brother Barnes, the State Secretary was authorized to destroy obsolete forms stored in that office. Motion carried.

Moved by Brother Smith, seconded by Brother Critchett, that the Juvenile Superintendent be allowed \$25.00 per quarter. Motion carried.

Bills audited and paid:

Warrant No.	To Whom Issued	Amount
7810	Fowler Ensign, January bill	\$ 33.47
7811	Zelma Hoss, salary, Feb. 1 to 15, less tax ..	61.24
7812	Mabel Glenn, Jan. conf. trips	27.99
7813	Mabel Glenn, salary, quarter ending 12-31-44 ..	75.00
7814	H. S. Crocker Co., office supplies	8.41
7815	Pacific Tel. and Tel., Jan. bill	67.25
7816	Grangers Business Org., battery	6.37
7817	Geo. A. Critchett, G. B. O. meeting 12-21-44 ..	9.81
7818	Geo. A. Critchett, Executive meeting 12-15-44 ..	6.94
7819	Harry Barnes, Executive meeting, Feb. 13 and 14, 1945	13.33
7820	Geo. A. Critchett, Executive meeting, Feb. 13 and 14, 1945	18.06
7821	Celia M. Harding, Executive meeting, Feb. 13 and 14, 1945	15.56
7822	Celia M. Harding, money adv. for postage and supplies	94.83
7823	Harry A. Caton, per capita 12-31-44	825.63
7824	Truck Insurance Exchange, Policy Nos. 8742 and 8810	20.00
7825	W. L. Smith, Executive meeting, Feb. 13 and 14, 1945	37.44
7826	Mrs. Inez Hamann, flowers for Crandall funeral	7.00
7827	Zelma Hoss, salary, Feb. 16 to 28, less tax ..	66.90
7828	Geo. Sehlmeier, money advanced for supplies	1.38
7829	Celia M. Harding, Feb. salary, less tax	87.00
7830	The Morrissey Co., March rent	150.00
7831	J. R. Wilson, Postmaster, Sac'to., stamps	13.50
7832	Zelma Hoss, salary, Mar. 1 to 15, less tax	66.90
7833	David Typewriter Co., 1 Royal ribbon	1.03
7834	Sleeper Stamp and Stationery Co., supplies ..	.93
7835	Claud R. French, Credit Union letter heads and envelopes	12.00
7836	Hilda L. Atkins, salary, quarter ending March 31 and supplies	51.35

7837	Hilda L. Atkins, two conference trips	45.01
7838	Cordie M. Hannah, Southern Calif. Conf. trip	28.03
7839	Fowler Ensign, Feb. bill	46.02
7840	Pacific Tel. and Tel., Feb. bill	45.72
7841	Grangers Business Organization	13.88
7842	P. E. Van Pelt, repair Plymouth car	497.25
7843	Zelma Hoss, petty cash	5.00
7844	C. J. Bainbridge, supplies	20.16
7845	S. S. McCloskey, Bond premieum	22.00
7846	Celia M. Harding, March salary, less tax	87.00
7847	C. N. Merrihew, new battery and tire repair ..	11.16
7848	The Morrissey Co., April rent	150.00
7849	Zelma Hoss, salary, March 16 to 31, less tax ..	66.90
7850	Geo. Sehlmeier, salary, Jan. 1 to March 31, less tax	707.40
7851	Geo. Sehlmeier expense account Jan. 1 to March 31	85.74
7852	M. T. Hunt, 6 months salary	100.00
7853	Rincon Valley Grange, membership campaign 1944	62.50
7854	Farmers Auto Insurance Exchange Policy No. 2737408	22.10
7855	C. J. Bainbridge, supplies	14.94
7856	Duplicator Sales and Service	22.67
7857	California State Grange, stamps	14.40
7858	Zelma Hoss, salary, April 1 to 15, less tax ..	66.90
7859	David Typewriter Co., 1 ribbon	1.03
7860	Fowler Ensign, Rosters, \$245.75; supplies \$77.74	323.49
7861	Pacific Tel. and Tel., March bill	61.05
7862	Harry Barnes, G. B. O. meeting 4-10-45	11.76
7863	H. S. Crocker, supplies for State Office	7.49
7864	Mabel Glenn, conference trips	38.86
7865	Celia M. Harding, April salary, less tax	87.00
7866	C. N. Merrihew, tire	17.60
7867	Woodland Record, printing State H. E. C. booklets	98.40
7868	Collector of Internal Revenue, income tax withholding	217.60
7869	Collector of Internal Revenue, contribution to S. S.	62.56
7870	California Department of Employment, con- tribution to Unemp. and Old age pension ..	62.56

7871	Zelma Hoss, salary, April 16 to 30, less tax	66.90
7872	Cordie M. Hannah, conference trip, March 27 to April 7	21.22
7873	Geo. Sehlmeier, money advanced for stamps	5.00
7874	J. R. Wilson, Postmaster Sac'to., stamps	14.64
7875	Mabel Glenn, H. E. expense	8.63
7876	Zelma Hoss, trip to S. F. for State Grange	5.24
7877	The Morrissey Co., May rent	150.00
7878	Zelma Hoss, salary, May 1 to 15, less tax	66.90
7879	Vayne O. Ralston, org. Mt. Bolivar Juvenile Grange	10.00
7880	Fowler Ensign, April bill	38.18
7881	C. J. Bainbridge, supplies	4.95
7882	Celia M. Harding, money advanced for postage, express, supplies and telephone	55.92
7883	Celia M. Harding, May salary, less tax	87.00
7884	Pacific Tel. and Tel., April bill	81.28
7885	David Typewriter Co., supplies	1.03
7886	Geo. Sehlmeier, expenses on trip to Washington, D. C.	244.88
7887	Harry A. Caton, March per capita tax	1,082.96
7888	Harry A. Caton, Juvenile per capita tax	4.13
7889	Zelma Hoss, salary, May 16 to 31, less tax	66.90
7890	C. N. Merrihew, car repair	17.01
7891	National Grange, 10 days room rent, Harrington Hotel	38.50
7892	Zelma Hoss, trip to S. F. for State Grange	5.70
7893	Hilda L. Atkins, 2 conference trips	69.40
7894	Pacific Tel. and Tel., May bill	70.32
7895	The Morrissey Co., June rent	150.00
7896	Fowler Ensign, 10 M application blanks	7.94
7897	David Typewriter Co., typewriter repair	16.82
7898	H. S. Crocker, office supplies	2.21
7899	Zelma Hoss, salary, June 1 to 15, less tax	66.90
7900	Mabel Glenn, conference tour May 1 to 13	36.71
7901	Mabel Glenn, quarter ending March 31, 1945	75.00
7902	Void	
7903	C. J. Bainbridge, supplies	2.99
7904	Gilroy Grange, hall dedication	50.00
7905	C. N. Merrihew, tire	16.70
7906	Geo. A. Critchett, G. B. O. meeting 5-25-45	9.16
7907	Geo. A. Critchett, executive meeting 6-19-45	16.16
7908	W. L. Smith, executive meeting 6-19-45	19.90

7909	Celia M. Harding, express, supply and secretary postage	63.16
7910	Celia M. Harding, June salary, less tax	87.00
7911	J. R. Wilson, Postmaster Sac'to., stamps	30.79
7912	Harry A. Caton, 200 Patrons, 300 Digests, travel, cards	221.75
7913	Harry Barnes, executive meeting 6-19-45, stamps, telephone	27.03
175 E	Edwin Koster, car expense	20.30
176 E	Edwin Koster, March salary, less tax	165.16
177 E	Edwin Koster, travel expense	29.05
178 E	Edwin Koster, travel expense	57.09
179 E	Edwin Koster, car expense, March 17 to 31	25.11
180 E	Edwin Koster, April salary, less tax	165.16
181 E	Edwin Koster, car expense, April 1 to 16	29.87
182 E	Edwin Koster, travel expense, April 1 to 16	47.95
183 E	Edwin Koster, travel expense, April 17 to 30	26.44
184 E	Edwin Koster, bus and car expense, April 17 to 30	19.60
185 E	Edwin Koster, May salary, less tax	165.16
186 E	Edwin Koster, car expense, May 1 to 14	59.23
187 E	Edwin Koster, travel expense conference trip May 1 to 14	61.09
188 E	Edwin Koster, car expense May 15 to 31	22.37
189 E	Edwin Koster, travel expense May 15 to 31	26.49
190 E	Edwin Koster, June salary, less tax	165.16
191 E	Edwin Koster, travel expense June 1 to 16	16.77
192 E	Edwin Koster, car expense, June 1 to 16	21.85

There being no further business the meeting adjourned to meet again on call of the Worthy Master.

Fraternally submitted,

CELIA M. HARDING, Secretary
California State Grange

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California State Grange Office
Sacramento, California
August 10, 1945

The Executive Committee meeting was called to order at 10:30 A. M. by Worthy State Master Sehlmeier. Roll call found all members present. Minutes of the previous

meeting held on June 19, were read and approved.

Representatives of the California Physicians Service appeared before the Committee to further discuss their plan of surgery and hospitalization for Grange members.

After considerable deliberation on the plan set forth by C. P. S. it was moved by Brother Critchett, seconded by Brother Barnes, that proposals submitted by C. P. S. be given tentative approval after the following provisions have been excluded:

1. Requiring 75% of membership signup.
2. Giving a physician the right to increase his fee if the member has a net income of \$3,000 per year or more.
3. Granting the right of subrogation to the C. P. S. in case of an injury where such subrogation might be exercised.
4. 60 years to be the age limit.

The Worthy State Master was directed by the Committee to inform C. P. S. of these changes and if approved by them, the plan would be submitted to Grange membership with the understanding the C. P. S. would furnish information and publicity which will explain to the membership the proposed surgery and hospitalization plan. Motion carried.

State Master Sehlmeier read a letter from Morton Tompkins, Master of the Oregon State Grange, pertaining to the westbound dressed and cured meat rate case and petitioning the California State Grange to join other organizations representing western livestock producers in petitioning the Interstate Commerce Commission for re-hearing on the case.

Moved by Brother Smith, seconded by Brother Barnes, that further information be obtained before taking action on this matter. Motion carried.

The State Master read a letter from the Truck Insurance Exchange offering Casualty Insurance on Grange Halls.

Moved by Brother Barnes, seconded by Brother Smith, that the Casualty Insurance offered by the Truck Insurance Exchange be approved and that Granges be notified that such insurance is available. Motion carried.

Due to the fact the O. D. T. has banned conventions aggregating a group of fifty or more, it was moved by Brother Barnes, seconded by Brother Smith, that the State

Master be instructed to write National Master Goss for a ruling on holding the annual session of the California State Grange at the regular time in October and that the National Master's ruling be sent to each Grange in the state. Motion carried.

A resolution previously submitted to the State Master was read, requesting the next State Grange Convention authorize the publication of a history of the Grange in California. Also the State Master to make a preliminary study of the cost and practicability of the plan.

Moved by Brother Critchett, seconded by Brother Smith, that the request for the above plan be approved. Motion carried.

The appointment of a Deputy in Lake County was discussed. It was moved by Brother Critchett, seconded by Brother Barnes, that the Executive Committee authorize such an appointment. Motion carried.

In response to a resolution read by the State Master from Butte County Pomona Grange, it was moved by Brother Critchett, seconded by Brother Smith, that the Executive Committee support movements relating to Bidwell Bar Dam and that the State Master be requested to use his efforts in furthering the construction of this dam. Motion carried.

Moved by Brother Barnes, seconded by Brother Smith, that the State Grange allow the vacation expense of the State Master. Motion carried.

After discussing the conference of Pomona Masters and Deputies of the southern counties, held in Los Angeles, July 23, it was moved by Brother Critchett, seconded by Brother Smith, that actual expenses to conferences be paid. Motion carried.

The State Master advised the Executive Committee that Mr. Chas. E. Carey of the Bureau of Reclamation, is very ill and confined to a hospital in southern California. Mr. Carey having worked in close co-operation with the Grange in reclamation work in California gained high esteem and respect from all who knew him.

It was moved by Brother Barnes, seconded by Brother Critchett, that the Executive Committee send a letter to Mr. Carey, hoping for his speedy recovery. Motion carried.

It was moved by Brother Critchett, seconded by Brother Smith, that the interest on the Student Loan notes of

Dwight Wait, be waived from the time he entered the navy. Motion carried.

The Treasury Department having requested the Grange to sponsor the next War Bond drive in this state, called the State Master to Washington, D. C., recently to attend a conference called by the Secretary of the Treasury. Brother Sehlmeier was the only one in attendance not employed by the Treasury Department.

While in Washington, State Master Sehlmeier conferred with the National Master and gave Brother Goss a first hand report on the San Francisco Conference of Nations, having been the official delegate of the National Grange to the Conference.

The State Master also conferred with Governmental officials on matters pertaining to the Central Valley Project, visiting the Department of Interior and the California delegation in the Senate and Congress.

Bills audited and paid:

Warrant No.	To Whom Issued	Amount
7914	The Morrissey Co., July rent	150.00
7915	Grangers Business Org., tire and tube	12.52
7916	Zelma Hoss, salary, June 16 to 30, less tax	66.90
7917	George Sehlmeier, salary, April 1 to June 30, less tax	707.40
7918	George Sehlmeier, expense account, April 1 to June 30	47.14
7919	Celia M. Harding, Executive committee meeting 6-19-45	14.48
7920	Zelma Hoss, salary, July 1 to 15, less tax	66.90
7921	Collector of Internal Revenue, April 1 to June 30	224.60
7922	Collector of Internal Revenue	61.72
7923	California Department of Employment	61.72
7924	Pacific Tel. and Tel., June bill	65.55
7925	C. J. Bainbridge Co., supplies	29.22
7926	George Sehlmeier, Federal Auto stamp	5.00
7927	Zelma Hoss, salary, July 16 to 31, less tax	66.90
7928	Hilda L. Atkins, April, May, June salary and expense	52.65
7929	Celia M. Harding, July salary, less tax	87.00
193 E	Edwin Koster, travel expense June 15 to 30	22.18
194 E	Edwin Koster, car expense June 15 to 30	24.92

195 E	Edwin Koster, July salary, less tax	165.16
196 E	Edwin Koster, car expense, July 1 to 16	15.10
197 E	Edwin Koster travel expense, July 1 to 16	16.68

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Fraternally submitted,

CELIA M. HARDING, Secretary
California State Grange

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St. George Hotel
Santa Cruz, California
September 18, 1945

Worthy State Master Sehlmeier called the Executive Committee meeting to order at 10:30 A. M. Roll call revealed all members present. Minutes of the previous meeting held on August 10, were read and approved.

Representatives of the California Physicians Service appeared before the Committee to further discuss the four measures the Executive Committee had previously requested excluded.

1. Requiring 75% of membership sign up was reduced to 50%.

2. Giving a physician the right to increase his fee if the member has a net income of \$3,000 per year or more. It was decided this should be based on the five year period from 1935 to 1940.

3. Subrogation was referred to the Attorneys of C. P. S. and the California State Grange to draw up satisfactory to both organizations.

4. Age limit eliminated.

C. P. S. agreed to print information to put the plan before the Grange membership with the understanding it be mailed by the State Grange.

The State Master read an indemnity plan of "United Insurers" covering limited health insurance. After careful consideration it was unanimously agreed by the Committee that the C. P. S. plan was the superior plan, therefore, did not endorse "United Insurers."

State Master Sehlmeier read a letter from Randolph Collier, member of the Joint Fact-finding Committee on Highways, Streets and Bridges, advising him this commit-

tee is forming an Advisory Council whose principal function will be to supply the committee with information on streets, highways and bridges as it relates to the interests and Organizations represented by the various members of the Advisory Council. He requested the State Grange appoint one member.

The Treasury Department previously requested the Grange to conduct the Victory Loan Campaign and some time was devoted to formulating plans for the drive. The Treasury Department offered to pay two members of the Grange to organize the campaign.

Moved by Brother Critchett, seconded by Brother Barnes, that the State Grange in conducting the campaign be allowed to accept payment for their services from the Treasury Department. Motion carried.

The 1945 convention of the California State Grange was discussed at some length. It was unanimously decided by the Committee to accept the invitation of the City of Santa Cruz and that the convention be held November 6 to 9 inclusive.

Upon reconvening after the noon recess a delegation of Santa Cruz County Grangers under the leadership of their Pomona Master Brother Claud French and District Deputy Sister Ruth Dye met with the Executive Committee to make plans for the coming convention.

Moved by Brother Smith seconded by Brother Critchett that the Committee appointed by the Santa Cruz County Pomona Master be authorized to purchase fruits for the Feast of Pomona and place in cold storage in the name of the California State Grange. Motion carried.

Moved by Brother Critchett seconded by Brother Smith, that Santa Clara County Pomona Drill Team be invited to confer the Fifth Degree. Motion carried.

Moved by Brother Smith, seconded by Brother Critchett, that the St. George Hotel be designated as the Headquarters Hotel. Motion carried.

Many plans for the convention were completed with Colonel Murphy of the Chamber of Commerce and Senator Judah promising this to be the best convention of the California State Grange.

Bills audited and paid:

Warrant No.	To Whom Issued	Amount
7930	Mabel Glenn, April, May and June salary	\$ 75.00
7931	David Typewriter Co., supplies for State Grange office	4.25
7932	H. S. Crocker, supplies for State Grange office	5.48
7933	Busick and Busick, Attorney fees for 1944	150.00
7934	The Morrissey Co., August rent	150.00
7935	Busick and Busick, costs advanced and ser- vices rendered	59.70
7936	Geo. A. Critchett, G. B. O. meeting 7-27-45	9.16
7937	Geo. A. Critchett, G. B. O. meeting, 6-23-45	9.16
7938	Geo. A. Critchett, executive committee meet- ing, 8-10-45	17.06
7939	Harry Barnes, executive committee meeting 8-10-45	18.40
7940	W. L. Smith, executive committee meeting 8-10-45	41.95
7941	Celia M. Harding, executive committee meet- ing 8-10-45	9.00
7942	Celia M. Harding, August salary, less tax	87.00
7943	Pacific Tel. and Tel., July bill	63.76
7944	Building Fund	5,000.00
7945	Zelma Hoss, salary, Aug. 1 to 15, less tax	66.90
7946	Geo. Sehlmeier, expenses	40.00
7947	Zelma Hoss, salary, Aug. 16 to 31, less tax	66.90
7948	Zelma Hoss, Livestock Foundation work	39.90
7949	Harry A. Caton, supplies	329.00
7950	The Morrissey Co., September rent	150.00
7951	David Typewriter Co.	1.00
7952	Owen Hollister, Deputies conf. L. A.	8.40
7953	Farmersville, membership campaign 1945	10.75
7954	San Marcos, membership campaign 1945	19.25
7955	Valley Center, membership campaign 1945	5.50
7956	Banner, membership campaign 1945	8.00
7957	Central, membership campaign 1945	8.25
7958	Riverdale, membership campaign 1945	6.00
7959	Triangle, membership campaign 1945	9.75
7960	Fallbrook, membership campaign 1945	28.25
7961	Garden Grove, membership campaign 1945	26.50
7962	Costa Mesa, membership campaign 1945	9.25
7963	Rubidoux, membership campaign 1945	6.50
7964	Vista, membership campaign 1945	10.50
7965	Murrieta, membership campaign 1945	14.75

7966	Palm, membership campaign 1945	2.25
7967	Fonbloom, membership campaign 1945	18.75
7968	Norco, membership campaign 1945	1.75
7969	Crescent Redwood, membership campaign 1945	5.50
7970	Glen Avon, membership campaign 1945	10.25
7971	Mad River, membership campaign 1945	6.00
7972	Cherry Valley, membership campaign 1945	24.50
7973	Nuevo-Lakeview, membership campaign 1945	8.50
7974	Selma, membership campaign 1945	18.25
7975	Hollister, membership campaign 1945	8.50
7976	Lake Earl, membership campaign 1945	14.25
7977	Turlock, membership campaign 1945	11.00
7978	Mattole, membership campaign 1945	9.25
7979	Buena Vista, membership campaign 1945	5.50
7980	Island, membership campaign 1945	6.25
7981	Caruthers, membership campaign 1945	10.50
7982	Earlimart, membership campaign 1945	7.25
7983	Le Grand, membership campaign 1945	3.00
7984	Hilmar, membership campaign 1945	12.00
7985	Madonna, membership campaign 1945	8.75
7986	Winton, membership campaign 1945	42.50
7987	Bear Creek, membership campaign 1945	5.25
7988	Merced Colony, membership campaign 1945	5.50
7989	Roache, membership campaign 1945	2.25
7990	Alderpoint, membership campaign 1945	11.35
7991	French Camp-Lathrop, membership campaign 1945	11.25
7992	Orick Valley, membership campaign 1945	9.00
7993	Redwood, membership campaign 1945	8.75
7994	Humboldt, membership campaign 1945	8.25
7995	Bayside, membership campaign 1945	5.50
7996	Wyandotte, membership campaign 1945	33.25
7997	Palermo, membership campaign 1945	3.50
7998	Paradise, membership campaign 1945	16.75
7999	Buckeye, membership campaign 1945	6.25
8000	Corralitos, membership campaign 1945	7.00
8001	Maywood, membership campaign 1945	4.50
8002	Sanger, membership campaign 1945	16.25
8003	Corral de Tierra, membership campaign 1945	4.50
8004	Los Molinos, membership campaign 1945	13.25
8005	Tulelake, membership campaign 1945	5.50
8006	Capay, membership campaign 1945	8.00
8007	Castle, membership campaign 1945	7.00

8008	Sierra Nevada, membership campaign 1945	10.50
8009	Mt. Vernon, membership campaign 1945	48.75
8010	Gold Trail, membership campaign 1945	8.50
8011	Marshall, membership campaign 1945	17.00
8012	Three Forks, membership campaign 1945	3.00
8013	Redding, membership campaign 1945	3.50
8014	Montgomery, membership campaign 1945	3.50
8015	Oakdale, membership campaign 1945	5.50
8016	Standish, membership campaign 1945	6.50
8017	Orland, membership campaign 1945	23.00
8018	Jacinto, membership campaign 1945	14.50
8019	Western Yolo, membership campaign 1945	10.50
8028	Hat Creek, membership campaign 1945	10.75
8021	Anderson, membership campaign 1945	4.25
8022	Sunnyvale, membership campaign 1945	3.50
8023	Morgan Hill, membership campaign 1945	9.00
8024	Sonoma Valley, membership campaign 1945	12.25
8025	Alturas, membership campaign 1945	1.50
8026	Rio Linda, membership campaign 1945	8.25
8027	Cedar, membership campaign 1945	5.50
8028	Happy Camp, membership campaign 1945	7.75
8029	Redwood Valley, membership campaign 1945	12.50
8030	Gazelle, membership campaign 1945	13.00
8031	Forestville, membership campaign 1945	29.75
8032	Poplar, membership campaign 1945	4.75
8033	Orange Vale, membership campaign 1945	90.25
8034	Dinuba, membership campaign 1945	17.00
8035	Gold Hill, membership campaign 1945	51.50
8036	Sebastopol, membership campaign 1945	15.00
8037	Mt. Bolivar, membership campaign 1945	20.50
8038	Tulare, membership campaign 1945	6.50
8039	Sacramento, membership campaign 1945	6.00
8040	Pilot Hill, membership campaign 1945	4.00
8041	Woodland, membership campaign 1945	6.75
8042	Apple Valley, membership campaign 1945	5.75
8043	Vacaville, membership campaign 1945	14.75
8044	Valley Oaks, membership campaign 1945	6.75
8045	Hayfork Valley, membership campaign 1945	5.25
8046	Calaveras, membership campaign 1945	40.75
8047	Perris Valley, membership campaign 1945	23.75
8048	Springville, membership campaign 1945	10.50
8049	Del Rosa, membership campaign 1945	12.25
8050	Brownsville, membership campaign 1945	44.75
8051	Easton, membership campaign 1945	7.75

8052	Val Verde, membership campaign 1945	10.75
8053	Quartz Hill, membership campaign 1945	13.50
8054	Hemet-San Jacinto, membership campaign 1945	21.00
8055	Vernalis, membership campaign 1945	3.75
8056	Phillipsville, membership campaign 1945	8.25
8057	Williams, membership campaign 1945	9.00
8058	Stonyford, membership campaign 1945	5.00
8059	Lakeside, membership campaign 1945	2.50
8060	Clear Lake, membership campaign 1945	19.25
8061	Kingsburg, membership campaign 1945	6.25
8062	Pleasant Valley, membership campaign 1945	14.75
8063	Hinkley Valley, membership campaign 1945	27.00
8064	Fort Bragg, membership campaign 1945	12.25
8065	Little Lake, membership campaign 1945	25.25
8066	Bachelor Valley, membership campaign 1945	16.50
8067	Alpine, membership campaign 1945	9.25
8068	Ojai Valley, membership campaign 1945	8.50
8069	Harris, membership campaign 1945	2.50
8070	La Avenida, membership campaign 1945	4.75
8071	Ranchito, membership campaign 1945	6.50
8072	Durfee, membership campaign 1945	9.75
8073	Los Alamos Valley, membership campaign 1945	10.00
8074	Lompoc, membership campaign 1945	13.00
8075	Long Valley, membership campaign 1945	20.75
8076	San Luis Obispo, membership campaign 1945	11.75
8077	Loomis, membership campaign 1945	48.25
8078	Zelma Hoss	2.74
8079	Zelma Hoss, salary, Sept. 1 to 15, less tax	66.90
8080	Greenfield Grange, hall dedication	50.00
8081	Sonora, membership campaign 1945	19.50
8082	Cloverdale, membership campaign 1945	9.50
8083	Fowler Ensign, August bill	36.54
8084	Celia M. Harding, money advanced for ex- press and postage	68.73
8085	Celia M. Harding, Sept. salary, less tax	87.00
8086	Pacific Tel. and Tel., August bill	71.40
198 E	Edwin Koster, August salary, less tax	165.16

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned by the Worthy State Master.

Fraternally submitted,
CELIA M. HARDING, Secretary
California State Grange

The Executive Committee meeting of the California State Grange was called to order by the Worthy State Master. All members answered the roll call. The State Secretary was also present. The meeting was called to order at 8:30 P. M. Hotel St. George, Santa Cruz, on November 5, 1945. The minutes of the previous meeting held in the same place September 18, 1945, were read and approved.

The tentative Convention Program was read by the State Master. Brother Critchett moved, seconded by Brother Barnes, that the Convention Program be approved as read. Motion carried.

Brother Smith moved, seconded by Brother Critchett, that Brother O. M. Davis, Fresno County, be recommended as Vice-President of the Central Valleys Conference and represent the California State Grange on said Conference. Motion carried.

Notes of the Grangers Business Organization referred to the State Grange Executive Committee were discussed at some length. Moved by Brother Barnes, seconded by Brother Smith, that we request the Grangers Business Organization to make further investigation to learn if this money was contributed by individuals—if so, return the money to such individuals; and if said money was contributed by Granges now defunct, the money to be taken into the State Grange treasury. Motion carried.

Many items of Grange interest were discussed until a late hour, however, no definite action was taken.

Bills audited and paid:

Warrant No.	To Whom Issued	Amount
8087	Harry A. Caton, per capita tax, June 30, 1945	\$1,133.48
8088	Harry A. Caton, per capita tax, June 30, 1945, Juveniles	6.83

Fraternally submitted,

CELIA M. HARDING, Secretary
California State Grange

October 16, 1945

By authority invested in me by the Master of the California State Grange, George Sehlmeier:

I called to order the 73rd annual session of the California State Grange at Santa Cruz on the day and hour as prescribed by the Constitution and By-laws. And not finding a quorum present, I declared the 73rd session postponed to 10:00 A. M. Tuesday, November 6, 1945. Place—the Civic Auditorium of Santa Cruz.

The above date being the time fixed by the Executive Committee of the California State Grange, under a ruling made by the Master of the National Grange, Albert S. Goss.

Signed,

HARRY BARNES, Master Pro Tem
California State Grange

The presentation of the Home Economics Building Fund Jars followed, in a grand march in which the ladies presented their money filled jars to Sister Glenn, State H. E. Chairman, who was complimented on her foresight in securing and distributing the jars last year.

George Jewett, of the Farmers Automobile Inter-Insurance Exchange was introduced and presented his annual report for that organization.

State Deputy Edwin Koster presented the following report:

STATE DEPUTY'S REPORT

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

Once again it is a privilege to report to you on my activities as State Deputy. These activities are closely co-ordinated in cooperation with the State Master.

The job of the deputy is to help build Grange membership, and to organize new Granges. In addition there are many other assignments of the State Master.

During the Grange year just ended the California State Grange surpassed in membership gains the high figure attained last year. Grange members throughout the State have a right to feel proud of exceeding the 3,000 net gain

set by the National Grange. California is third among the States of the Nation in membership gains.

In the organization field four new subordinate Granges were organized and one Juvenile reorganized.

Calaveras Grange No. 715, in Calaveras County, was organized October 5, 1944 with 35 charter members. They have grown to over one hundred members.

Hayfork Valley Grange No. 716, in Trinity County, was organized November 24, 1944, with 30 charter members. This new Grange is progressing too.

Los Banos Grange No. 717, in Merced County, was organized March 22, 1945, with 40 charter members and have grown to almost 100 members.

Porterville Grange No. 718, in Tulare County, was organized April 11, 1945, with 39 charter members. This new Grange is already taking a lead in the Grange Central Valley Project program and is making a splendid showing.

The Chico Juvenile Grange was reorganized February 3, 1945, and is reported as being very active.

Less than a week ago another new Grange with 32 charter members was formed in Riverbank, Stanislaus County. As they were organized after September 30, this new Grange will be reported on next year's work.

Since becoming your State Deputy over four years ago, this is my record year in the number of new Granges organized in any one year.

This could not have been accomplished without the splendid support of Grange Membership and District Deputies.

With Grange activities spreading out more and more, each year has made it necessary to give less time to organization work and more to special assignments from the State Master.

While the State Master was attending the United Nation's Peace Conference in San Francisco representing the National Grange, it was my privilege to have been chosen by him to represent the California State Grange at several important Legislative hearings in the State Capitol.

Officers Conferences, meeting in almost every county of the State occupied much time.

It was my good fortune to be able to attend some of the closing sessions of the United Nations Conference—thanks to our State Master. Witnessing the signing of the United Nations Charter by the United States delegation

and hearing the President of the United States was the climax of the conference. This really was a rare privilege. How successful the Charter will be to prevent future wars will depend upon how well the people of this country and the other United Nations can live within the spirit of this document. Only time will record the importance of this Conference.

This session of the California State Grange ought to assume the responsibility of writing a definite peace policy. The maintenance of world peace is one of the biggest jobs before us. Civilization itself demands that wars are outlawed.

Fraternally submitted,

EDWIN KOSTER, State Deputy
California State Grange

It was moved by Brother Glover, seconded by Brother Wardlow that the reports of the District Deputies be not read, but received and printed in the Journal. Motion carried.

DISTRICT DEPUTIES' REPORTS

AMADOR AND CALAVERAS COUNTIES

Ione Grange No. 681 and Sheandoah-Willow Springs Grange No. 491 of Amador County and Calaveras Grange No. 715 of Calaveras County have taken in new members. Attendance is fair and the financial condition of all Granges is good.

Fraternally submitted,
J. H. SAUNDERS, Deputy

BUTTE COUNTY

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

All Butte County Granges are active and in good healthy condition. Most subordinate Granges have made a gain in membership.

This district as a whole has made a substantial gain in membership.

Booster night programs have been given by a majority of the Granges. These were well attended by Grangers and friends.

I am very glad to report increased interest in the ritualistic work throughout the county.

Contributions to the State Grange Building Fund have been made by all Granges.

Butte County Pomona Grange has been quite active in legislative matters. It, too, has made a substantial gain in membership.

A district meeting was held in Chico. It was well attended and much interest shown.

All Granges are working for the Bidwell Bar Dam Project; and for the control of dredging agricultural land.

The Home Economic Clubs are doing good work. Some fine reports have been received by County Chairman.

Fraternally submitted,

L. C. LATTIN, Deputy
Butte County

COLUSA COUNTY

Officers and Members of the California State Grange, Greetings:

Once again we meet in annual session in times of peace. We are all thankful that hostilities have ceased and we, as members of the Grange, can face happier hours with our loved ones together once more.

From Colusa County I wish to report a successful year. Our county, with a small population, has furnished a large group to the armed forces. Our Granges have carried on well in these times of stress and I look for increased interest in the peaceful days that lie ahead.

I have visited all Granges in my district and have attempted to keep at all times a close contact with the membership.

Fraternally submitted,

MARSHALL DOPKINS, Deputy
Colusa County

DEL NORTE COUNTY

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

From Del Norte County I wish to report a successful Grange year with a net membership gain and very active Granges.

The Del Norte Pomona has organized a drill team under the able leadership of Sister Maude Pidgeon.

The Crescent Redwood Grange has organized a first and second degree team. The Lake Earl Grange has organized a third and fourth degree team. The parts have been thoroughly memorized and are beautifully rendered.

All the Granges in this County have observed Booster's night with large attendance and excellent programs. We have held two Masters' and Officers' conferences, one being conducted by our most able State Deputy Koster, assisted by Sister Glenn and Sister Atkins.

The Grange committee for the Victory War Loan drive has been selected and are completing their plans for a successful Del Norte County campaign.

Fraternally submitted,

CHARLES W. GLOVER, Deputy
Del Norte County

MENDOCINO COUNTY

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

All eleven of the Granges in my district are in very fine condition as all have made net gains of more than their quotas.

We have another Juvenile Grange organized at Fort Bragg this year which is going along fine.

Fraternally submitted,

H. A. DICKEY, Deputy
Mendocino County

MERCED COUNTY

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

It gives me pleasure and satisfaction to say, in this, my first annual report as a District Deputy, that my district, comprising Merced county, has had a successful year, viewed from several important standpoints. First, Grange membership in the county has increased notably and has put this county in the eligible list to join the One Thousand Club. That increase in membership has been well apportioned among the subordinates, but, in addition, State Deputy Koster was instrumental in organizing a new subordinate, that at Los Banos. Los Banos Grange started late last spring with a membership of 40 and as of this date has over 100 members. Its officers are both enthusiastic and competent and we may expect Los Banos Grange to keep growing as another year rolls around.

All the subordinates in Merced county have had active life the past year. Attendance at regular meetings has been good and special events have been numerous. I am pleased to report also that the Home Economics Clubs of the subordinates, as well as that of the Pomona, have set a good example and a fast pace for the men of the Grange when it comes to work and accomplishments.

Our subordinate Granges, under the able leadership of Pomona Master Ed W. Kling, assumed a large share of responsibility for the success of all War Loans in all the rural areas and at this writing are participating in the Victory Loan Campaign.

Fraternally submitted,

J. R. GOODSON, Deputy
Merced County

NORTHERN MONTEREY COUNTY AND
SAN BENITO COUNTY

Worthy State Master, Officers and Members of the California State Grange, Greetings and best wishes to each of you in this seventy-third annual convention.

I am happy to report on the advancement and in-

crease in membership in both Northern Monterey and San Benito County.

The Home Economics in the two counties have been very active and much of the credit for our growth is due to them, for their fine work in the grange.

I am hoping our coming year will be a prosperous and happy year with more new members.

I have visited many granges this year, but have not been able to visit all of them in the two counties.

Fraternally submitted,

THOMAS EIDE, Deputy
Northern Monterey and San Benito
County

SOUTHERN MONTEREY COUNTY

Officers and Members of the California State Grange, Greetings:

Most of the Granges in Southern Monterey County have made a substantial gain in membership during the past year. All of them contributed toward winning the war. Greenfield Grange dedicated a new hall recently.

Fraternally submitted,

H. J. BROWN, Deputy
Southern Monterey County

PLACER AND NEVADA COUNTIES

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

In my report last year I mentioned that we held a meeting in the Mount Vernon Grange Hall in Placer County on October 6th for the purpose of organizing the deciduous fruit growers and demand F. O. B. prices in the future. The result: From this organization I am glad to report that over a million packages were signed up with the Grange and 80% of our fruit was sold F. O. B. and by private sales. The growers are very well satisfied. With this success, we expect for the coming season to get

a larger sign-up, and also to extend our activities into other counties with the State Grange's assistance.

We expect our Credit Union to finance the growers in the future, making them independent of the fruit companies.

The activities of our Granges have greatly increased our membership. The subordinates under my jurisdiction are all in A-Number one condition.

Last spring I organized the Mount Vernon Juvenile Grange with 28 charter members. They are getting along nicely.

Our H. E. Clubs are very active and have done much for the good of the order, Red Cross and community welfare.

Booster Night programs were well attended. Loomis Grange was fortunate in having our State Master as their main speaker, and they are also planning a new hall in the near future.

Fraternally submitted,

JOHN I. BERG, Deputy
Placer and Nevada Counties

RIVERSIDE COUNTY

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

The Subordinate Granges of Riverside County are in fairly good condition, a gain in membership is reported and a few are planning their own halls.

The Credit Union is growing and prepared to lend in sizeable amounts to its membership. Agricultural Loans are being made in increasing numbers and amounts. The Federal Examiner gives Riverside County Grange Federal Credit Union the highest possible rating.

The Home Economics clubs are active, the response to the State Grange building fund was generous.

Fraternally submitted,

ED HILL, Deputy
Riverside County

SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY

Officers and Members of the California State Grange, Greetings:

I am happy to report a healthy condition of the Granges in the San Bernardino County Pomona District. Each Subordinate has passed it's gain in membership goal.

One Juvenile Grange has been organized, also Matrons have been elected and membership lists are now in the making for two more Juvenile Granges. When this is completed there will be a Juvenile Grange in every Subordinate in this Pomona district.

And now all efforts are being turned toward the Victory Bond drive.

Fraternally submitted,

F. R. DAVIS, Deputy
San Bernardino County

SAN DIEGO COUNTY

Worthy Master, Officers of the California State Grange, Delegates and Patrons, Greetings from San Diego County Granges:

This being my first year to report, as a deputy and the first deputy that San Diego County has had for some time, it gives me great pleasure to be here.

I am glad to report, after visiting all the Granges in my district, San Diego County, that the Granges now active in this County are surviving the strain of war time hardships and the Grange spirit is on the upward trend.

The round of duties as a deputy has put me in contact with the Grangers in all sections of the County.

In spite of the gas rationing I have driven over 1250 miles visiting the Subordinate Granges in this County.

I have participated in their Booster night programs and helped them in Grange procedure.

I am proud to be a part of an organization that is doing the good, both civic and for the rural farmer.

I have arranged 2 special meetings for State Officers with the officers of the local Granges and attended a meeting in Los Angeles with the State Master and the deputies and Pomona Masters of the Southern Counties.

The membership in this county is steadily growing.

Again I wish to say that I am happy to be a representative of such a fine organization.

Fraternally submitted,

H. C. HARDING, Deputy
San Diego County

SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY

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

It is rather difficult to summarize the year of Grange activities in a few sentences. The membership of the county have taken part in most every program sponsored by any organization.

The membership is increasing slow but sure. Also the Credit Union is gaining in share accounts and membership.

The Grange has taken part in every bond drive. Now as the war is over we hope to put this last bond drive over with a slam and win peace forevermore.

Fraternally submitted,

MRS. DOVIE FREEMAN, Deputy
San Luis Obispo County

SANTA CLARA COUNTY

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

Santa Clara County Grangers have enjoyed another successful Grange year, most of the Granges reaching the gain in membership asked for by the State Grange.

Our Pomona has been well attended and we have taken in over fifty (50) new members the past year. Much credit is due Brother Al Christopher, the Master, for the past two years.

This is the first year we have had a Pomona Home Economics Club, under the able leadership of Sister Spencer as Chairman. They turned in over \$70.00 (Seventy dollars) to the State Grange Building fund.

We join you, in thanksgiving, that peace has again

come, and we shall strive, to work hand in hand with you to make this a better place to live. May it be our duty and responsibility to see that war may not come again.

Fraternally submitted,

CARL RYSER, Deputy
Santa Clara County

SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY

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

The Granges of San Joaquin County for the past year have all shown an increase in membership and with one exception have been very active.

The San Joaquin County Grange Credit Union has had a very successful year and is now well established in the county.

Both Lockeford and Escalon Granges are planning to burn the mortgages on their halls before the end of this year.

The Pomona Grange has also had an increase in membership and the meetings have been very well attended, the meetings having been held with the subordinate Granges.

Fraternally submitted,

MERLE MENSINGER, Deputy
San Joaquin County

SISKIYOU COUNTY

Worthy State Master and State Grange Officers, Greetings:

In reporting for Siskiyou County all subordinate Granges are functioning very satisfactorily. They are financially sound, and most all of them have projects which they are working on very satisfactorily.

February 14, 1945 we organized a Juvenile Grange at Mt. Bolivar Grange which is going strong. We have two very active Juvenile Granges in the County.

At Greenhorn the project was the erection of a Ju-

venile Hall which is nearing completion, and the Annual Booster Night Fair was a decided success.

The visits paid our County by the State Officers were very greatly appreciated. Nearly all of the subordinate Granges have made a material gain in membership.

Fraternally submitted,
VAYNE O. RALSTON, Deputy
Siskiyou County

SOLANO COUNTY

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

It is indeed a pleasure to be with you here this November as my Grange is eleven years old this month and this is my eleventh visit to the California State Grange.

The Granges of this County have been fairly active this year. Two entered agricultural booths at our County Fair and both won prizes. One Grange—two hundred and fifty dollars and the other, one hundred and seventy dollars. Two Granges attained the membership goal. All are financially sound and expect to improve.

Fraternally submitted,
VINCENT GRANUCCI, Deputy
Solano County

SONOMA COUNTY

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

As District Deputy of Sonoma County, I am pleased to report the progress of all the Granges in this County.

I have visited all Granges and they have made a gain in membership. I organized a Juvenile Grange in Sebastopol with 23 Charter members, which is doing very nicely. I am working on three more Juvenile and one Subordinate which I hope to soon organize.

I installed the Officers of Sonoma Valley Grange in January.

Fraternally submitted,
A. C. SMITH, Deputy
Sonoma County

TULARE COUNTY

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

The Tulare County Subordinate and Pomona Granges have all made a substantial gain in membership this year. We have also added one new Grange, that of Porterville, which was organized by State Deputy Edwin Koster. I also had the honor of assisting in a small way at the election of officers.

The Tulare County Granges took an active part in the several War Loan drives during the year and are now getting started on the 8th Victory Loan drive.

The Earlimart Subordinate Grange is very proud over winning the prize for membership gain this year. Our Home Economic Clubs are very active and doing fine work. The Juvenile Grange at Farmersville is up and coming and doing fine work. The Grangers Business organization of Tulare County located at Tulare has some stock on hand in their warehouse and hope to put in a complete stock soon.

Due to wartime conditions it has not been possible for me to visit all the Granges but I have attended all the Pomona meetings which are held monthly with very good attendance and a lively interest taken in the affairs of the county.

Fraternally submitted,

J. E. GANGE, Deputy
Tulare County

VENTURA COUNTY

Officers and Members of the California State Grange, Greetings:

Ventura County has done very well in Grange work the past year.

La Avenida Grange No. 655 has doubled its membership. Ojai Valley Grange No. 659 more than made its quota in membership gain. The Home Economics were very busy in War and Relief work. They furnished flowers for the naval hospital at Port Hueneme out of their gardens as well as gathering wild ones. We organized a degree team and put the work on in April and

again in September. We organized Juvenile Grange No. 77 and hope to reorganize La Avenida Juvenile.

Ventura County enjoyed the visit of the State Grange Officers. Members of both Granges derived very much knowledge from their talks.

Fraternally submitted,

JAMES B. FROST, Deputy
Ventura County

A partial report of the Conservation Committee was received, Brother O. M. Davis, Chairman, reporting. He read a resolution recommending appropriation of funds to construct a transmission line and steam plant for Central Valleys project. Committee recommended Do Pass. Committee recommendation adopted.

Moved by Brother Gange, seconded by Brother Holmes that the order of business for Wednesday morning be set ahead to 9:00 o'clock. Motion carried.

REPORT OF COOPERATION COMMITTEE

WHEREAS, the Grangers Business Organization feel the need of a larger scope of operation by its organization, we hereby recommend that the committee on Cooperation include in its report to the California State Grange now in session in Santa Cruz, a request that the National Grange take steps to formulate a National Advisory Committee to facilitate volume buying for grange cooperative organizations

WHEREAS, the American farmer is faced with conditions never before experienced,

WHEREAS, all institutions with whom he has to deal are organized therefore, it is the conviction of this committee that if the farmer is to get a fair share of profit for his labor he must also organize,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the California State Grange now in session at Santa Cruz go on record as favoring the organization of Farm Co-ops for both marketing farm produce and purchasing farm household commodities and further recommend that Grange Lecturers include in their program educational features which will tend to make the farmer more cooperative minded.

Fraternally submitted, NEAL CHRISTENSEN
F. J. GREER, Chairman ALLEN LINDEBECK

The report of the Committee was adopted.

EVENING SESSION

Reception and Lecturers Program, November 6, 1945

1. Entrance March of Officers of California State Grange.
Ruth Dye at the piano.
2. Santa Cruz High School ensemble. Director, Norman Walters.
 - (a) Star Spangle Banner (audience singing).
 - (b) Allegro Eine Kleine Nachtmusik (Mozart).
 - (c) Ave Maria (Shubert).
3. Introductions—Claud French, Master of Santa Cruz Pomona Grange. (words of welcome).
Senator Judah, Santa Cruz.
Col. Murphy of Santa Cruz Chamber of Commerce.
4. Response, George Sehlmeier, Master California State Grange.
Introduction of speaker by the State Grange Master.
5. Address—Progress of Education.
Dr. Leonard of State Board of Education.
6. Tribute for World Peace. Candle Lighting Ceremony and Tableau. (Lecturer, Chaplain, Three Graces and Home Economics Chairman.)
(Tableau under direction of Lillie Edwards, Live Oak Grange and Edith Swanson, Hilmar Grange. Vocal—Susan McDonald.)
7. Sleigh Bells—Musical number by Nellie Plagge, Live Oak Grange. Assisted at the piano by E. Waller.
 - (a) Bells of St. Mary (A. Emmett Adams).
 - (b) There is Something about a Soldier (N. Gay).Vocal part taken by Rev. C. Doran.
Scouts assisting: Wallace Coker—Flag Bearer.
Kent Larsen—Bugler.
David Lund—Drummer.
8. Sob Sisters, from Gay Nineties Musical Review, Fombloom Grange. Mrs. Effie Dix and Mrs. Tecina McClelland.
 - (a) She is More to be Pittied than Censured. (William Gray).
 - (b) Bird in a Gilded Cage. (Arthur Lamb).
9. Interpretation of Song and Character Study, Klara Brown, Watsonville.
 - (a) A little pink petty from Peter—from Miss Hook of Holland, by Paul A. Rubens.

- (b) Novelty Song and Dance, Tulips and Apple Strudel, by Mabel Wayne.
The two above in Dutch costume.
(c) Little Red School House, by Al Wilson and Jas. A. Brennan.
(d) They always Pick on Me, by Harry Von Tilzer.
(c) and (d) in School Girl Costume.
10. Vocal Solos by Cpl. Richard Alford, assisted at the piano by Mrs. Alford.
(a) The Hills of Home (Oscar Fox).
(b) One Alone from the Dessert Song (Sigmund Romberg).
11. Marimba phone, William Campbell of Banner Grange, assisted at the piano by Ruth Dye.
(a) When Irish Eyes Are Smiling.
(d) Wild Irish Rose.
12. Readings—Susan McDonald of Live Oak Grange.
(a) Farm Wife.
(b) The child and the chicken.
13. Vocal Solo, Effie Spencer, Santa Clara Pomona Grange
(a) Danny Boy
(b) Little Irish Girl.
14. The Miss Fitts—The two ladies from Fonbloom Grange in a Bustle Dance, a comedy.
15. Vocal solo, Cpl. Richard Alford.
The Lord's Prayer (Albert Hay Malotte.)

EVENING SESSION

Tuesday Evening, at 8:00 P. M. under the direction of Hilda Atkins, State Lecturer, the following Reception was presented:

WEDNESDAY MORNING

The second day's session of the 73rd Annual Session of California State Grange convened at 9:30 A. M. and opened in regular form in the fourth degree, Worthy Master George Sehlmeier presiding. The Divine Blessing was invoked by the Worthy Chaplain, and the "Battle Hymn of the Republic" was sung by all.

Sister Ruth Dye, Santa Cruz County, acted as Flag Bearer during presentation of the colors, and the National Anthem was sung.

Roll Call of Officers disclosed all present.

The proceedings of the preceding day were read and approved.

L. H. Harding, Chairman of the Committee on Credentials, submitted the following report:

CREDENTIAL COMMITTEE REPORT

To the Officers and Members of the California State Grange:

Your committee on credentials reports as follows:

There are 36 Pomona Granges represented with 67 delegates in attendance.

There are 231 Subordinate Granges represented with 377 delegates in attendance.

A total 267 Granges are represented with 444 delegates.

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POMONA GRANGES

Antelope Valley—Master E. Y. Rinker and wife.

Butte—Master E. L. Holmes and wife.

Colusa—Master Marshall Dopkins and wife.

Del Norte—Master Charles Glover and wife.

El Dorado-Amador—Not represented.

Fresno—Master Albert W. Stone and wife.

Glenn—Not represented.

Humboldt—Master L. H. Valentine and wife.

Kern—Master W. L. Smith and wife.

Kings—Alternate J. W. Thomas and wife.

Lassen—Master H. J. Clark and wife.

Los Angeles—Alternate George W. Bode and wife.

Mendocino—Alternate Irene Carlson and husband.

Merced—Master Edward Kling and wife.

Modoc—Not represented.

Mojave Valley—Master Wm. G. Tyler and wife.

Monterey—Alternate J. W. Anderson and wife.

Napa-Lake—Master Allen Lindebeck and wife.

Orange—Master Robert Wardlow and wife.

Placer-Nuggett—Alternate W. M. Campbell.

Plumas-Sierra—Not represented.

Riverside—Master Frank Whitmore and wife.

Sacramento—Master Thomas McBride and wife.

San Bernardino—Master Hallie Hansen and wife.

San Diego—Alternate Mrs. Pansy Martin and husband.

San Fernando Valley—Alternate William Anderson.

San Joaquin—Master George Campbell and wife.

San Luis Obispo—Master Rubie Alberti and husband.
Santa Barbara—Master Harry Nott and wife.
Santa Clara—Master A. L. Christopher and wife.
Santa Cruz—Master Claud French and wife.
Shasta-Trinity—Master Hugh Carpenter and wife.
Siskiyou—Alternate Howard Parker and wife.
Solano—Alternate Vincent Granucci and wife.
Sonoma—Master Wellington Hiatt and wife.
Stanislaus—Master Alfred Bolter.
Sutter—Master J. P. Brown.
Tehama—L. S. Carpenter and wife.
Tulare—Master H. T. Lively and wife.
Yclo—Alternate Willard Smith.

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SUBORDINATE GRANCES

AMADOR COUNTY

Ione—Master Oscar Franson.
Shenendoah-Willow Springs—Not represented.

BUTTE COUNTY

Berry Creek—Master Emma Hinton.
Biggs—Master Eunice Smith.
Chico—Alternate Joe De Bock.
Durham—Master L. O. Hicks.
Gridley—Alternate W. H. Ray.
Palermo—Alternate Florence Kell.
Paradise—Alternate L. Myrtle Nantz.
Wyandotte—Master George A. Critchett.

CALAVERAS COUNTY

Calaveras—Master Neal Christensen and wife.

COLUSA COUNTY

Arbuckle—Not represented.
Colusa—Not represented.
Stonyford—Not represented.
Williams—Not represented.
Maxwell—Not represented.

CONTRA COSTA COUNTY

Danville—Alternate Anna L. Martin.
Diablo Valley—Alternate George H. Shafer and wife.

DEL NORTE COUNTY

Crescent Redwood—Master Claude Caswell.
Klamath Valley—Alternate Elsie Bosh.
Lake Earl—Master Dan Robson.

EL DORADO COUNTY

Gold Trail—Alternate Noreen Peterson.
Hangtown—Not represented.
Marshall—Alternate Edna Womack.
Pleasant Valley—Master Sam Haskew.
Pilot Hill—Not represented.
Three Forks—Not represented.
United Rescue—Not represented.

FRESNO COUNTY

Caruthers—Alternate John Ennen and wife.
Central—Master R. O. Marshall and wife.
Clovis—Master J. G. Maxwell and wife.
Easton—Alternate Vernon Wynn and wife.
Fowler—Master H. C. Neel and wife.
James Ranch—Alternate Laura Weber.
Kingsburg—Master Alva J. Rouch and wife.
Kerman—H. D. Bateman and wife.
Selma—Master C. A. Darling and wife.
Reedley—Not represented.
Riverdale—Alternate Mrs. N. R. Roberts and husband.
Roeding—Not represented.
Sanger—Master H. W. Heintz.

GLENN COUNTY

Elk Creek—Not represented.
Golden State—Alternate Albert J. Overholtzer and wife.
Jacinto—Alternate Charles O. Vestner.
Orland—Master Lloyd Piper and wife.

HUMBOLDT COUNTY

Alderpoint—Not represented.
Bayside—Master Rollo Guthridge and wife.
Dows Prairie—Master Cecil M. Turner and wife.
Eel River Valley—Alternate Wilma Hackett.
Ettersburg—Not represented.
Freshwater—Alternate Luther Sibley and wife.
Garberville—Alternate Robert B. Walden.
Harris—Master M. S. Milsted and wife.
Humboldt—Master Ida Pasco and husband.

Mad River—Not represented.
Mattole—Not represented.
Orick Valley—Alternate Math Konrad.
Phillipsville—Not represented.
Redwood—Master Ralph Banfill and wife.
Rohner—Alternate Albert Stone and wife.
Van Duzen River—Master Gerald Tucker.

KERN COUNTY

Buttonwillow—Not represented.
Delano—Alternate Mrs. Effie Harris.
Fairfax—Master Clarence C. Kofahl and wife.
McFarland—Not represented.
Panama—Alternate Albert E. Deabill and wife.
Rosedale—Master Milton Heath and wife.
Tehachapi—Not represented.
Wasco—Alternate A. E. Klassen and wife.
Weed Patch—Master John E. Luhmann.

KINGS COUNTY

Armona—Not represented.
Island—Alternate Ben Silvas.
Kings River—Alternate Charles Hedrick and wife.
Riverbend—Master John Ellberg.
Stratford—Alternate W. S. Long.

LAKE COUNTY

Bachelor Valley—Master Roy Bucknell and wife.
Clear Lake—Master Phil Nunnemaker and wife.
Guenoc—Not represented.

LASSEN COUNTY

Janesville—Not represented.
Johnstonville—Alternate Raymond Mallery and wife.
Standish—Master Clara Burch.

LOS ANGELES COUNTY

Alpine—Master Albert G. Ohneck and wife.
Durfee—Alternate Earl Ingersoll and wife.
Joshua Tree—Master B. C. Grey and wife.
Quartz Hill—Master Earl Breeding and wife.
Ranchito—Alternate Wm. P. Knight and wife.
Roscoe—Not represented.
Val Verde—Master Rhoda V. Keefer and husband.
Wildflower—Master P. M. Gregory and wife.

Winnetka Center—Alternate G. D. Johnson and wife.

MENDOCINO COUNTY

Anderson Valley—Not represented.

Comptche—Alternate Alice Cox.

Fort Bragg—Master Richard Mattila and wife.

Garcia—Alternate Ruth Walker.

Little Lake—Not represented.

Potter Valley—Master Lloyd L. Hughes and wife.

Redwood Valley—Not represented.

Ukiah—Alternate George Cook and wife.

MERCED COUNTY

Bear Creek—Master P. T. Warner and wife.

Dos Palos—Master Lawrence J. Graham.

El Nido—Not represented.

Hilmar—Master Arthur Clark and wife.

Le Grand—Master A. E. Jackson.

Los Banos—Not represented.

Merced Colony—Alternate Lee Fogal and wife.

New Era—Alternate Chester Hansen.

Winton—Alternate L. A. Foster and wife.

MADERA COUNTY

Chowchilla—Not represented.

MODOC COUNTY

Alturas—Not represented.

Cedar—Not represented.

Davis Creek—Master Dan W. Casey and wife.

Eagle—Not represented.

Lookout—Not represented.

Mt. Bidwell—Alternate Robert Schluter and wife.

MONTEREY COUNTY

Alisal—Master Andrew C. Peterson.

Aromas—Alternate Ted Hansen and wife.

Buena Vista—Master Enevold Nielsen.

Chualar—Not represented.

Corral de Tierra—Master Louise M. Hatton.

Greenfield—Alternate A. B. Stewart and wife.

Green Gold—Master Albert Winther and wife.

Marina—Alternate Max Barbier and wife.

Monterey Bay—Master Hattie Pitcher.

Parkfield—Alternate Dolores Jones.

Prunedale—Not represented.
San Bernardo—Not represented.
Springfield—Alternate Hans Struve and wife.

NAPA COUNTY

Napa—Master W. I. Mannering and wife.
Rutherford—Master C. J. Rust and wife.
Silverado—Master Curry Wiggins and wife.

NEVADA COUNTY

Banner—Alternate Keith Ordway and wife.

ORANGE COUNTY

Anaheim—Master Oscar E. Maass and wife.
Centralia—Alternate J. W. Wright and wife.
Costa Mesa—Master Joseph Rapier and wife.
Garden Grove—Alternate Charles R. George and wife.
La Habra—Master George D. Nash.
Tustin—Master Lester Woodward and wife.
Wintersburg—Alternate J. J. Stouffer and wife.

PLACER COUNTY

Gold Hill—Alternate H. C. Hansen and wife.
Long Valley—Alternate L. L. Threlkel and wife.
Loomis—Master Charles Stallman and wife.
Mt. Vernon—Master George B. Lothrop and wife.
Placer Foothill—Master Kittie Van Horn and husband.
Sierra Nevada—Master Walter Cunningham and wife.

PLUMAS COUNTY

Feather River—Not represented.
Indian Valley—Master E. T. Kunzler.
Sierra Valley—Master Frank V. Dotta and wife.

RIVERSIDE COUNTY

Allesandro Valley—Alternate John Descher and wife.
Cherry Valley—Master Morris E. Crane and wife.
Glen Avon—Alternate Harold Goodman and wife.
Hemet-San Jacinto—Alternate C. A. Carpenter and wife.
Murrieta—Alternate Erwin Rasch and wife.
Norco—Not represented.
Neuvo-Lakeview—Master Leon R. Gant and wife.
Palm—Alternate J. C. Palmer.
Perris Valley—Master John A. Hanson and wife.
Rubidoux—Master R. D. Patterson and wife.

SACRAMENTO COUNTY

American River—Master Margaret Robinson.
Antelope—Not represented.
Elk Grove—Alternate Sara L. Riley and husband.
Orange Vale—Master Elmer Binning and wife.
Rio Linda—Alternate W. D. Ellsworth and wife.
Sacramento—Alternate B. F. Decker and wife.
Valley Oaks—Master Ben Gaub and wife.

SAN BENITO COUNTY

Hollister—Alternate Dr. Wm. Parker, Jr., and wife.
San Benito—Master Althea Slibsager and husband.

SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY

Adelanto—Master V. L. Gamble and wife.
Apple Valley—Master A. E. Martinson and wife.
Del Rosa—Master Earl W. Kerr and wife.
Fonbloom—Master Joseph S. McClelland and wife.
Hesperia—Master Edith Powell.
Hinkley Valley—Master Roy Hill.
Lucerne Valley—Master Myrtle Hellman and husband.
Muscoy—Master Otho Wood.
Oro Grande—Alternate Earl Page and wife.
Phelan—Alternate Ed Wilkinson and wife.
Yucaipa Valley—Master John P. Greven and wife.

SAN DIEGO COUNTY

Encinitas—Alternate B. L. Westbrook and wife.
Fall Brook—Master H. C. Harding and wife.
Julian—Not represented.
Lakeside—Master Henry A. Worsham and wife.
Pauma Valley—Not represented.
Poway—Not represented.
Rainbow Valley—Alternate Sybil Masheeco.
Ramona—Master James Dukes.
San Marcos—Alternate Albert Chamness and wife.
Valley Center—Master James J. Smith and wife.
Vista—Master Wm. L. LaCaille and wife.

SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY

Escalon—Alternate S. P. Vandervoort and wife.
French Camp-Lathrop—Alternate Christina Pyle.
Lockeford District—Alternate Mashall Fisher and wife.
Manteca District—Not represented.

Ripon—Alternate C. L. Fogle.
Vernalis—Not represented.
Woodbridge—Alternate Dell Judge.

SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY

Atascadero—Master Inez Hamann.
El Paso de Robles—Master Ann Nelson and husband.
Estrella—Master Clarence T. Rougeot and wife.
San Luis Obispo—Alternate Attilio Brovilli.
Shandon—Not represented.
Triangle—Alternate Lillian E. Sylvester.

SAN MATEO COUNTY

East Palo Alto—Alternate Dortha M. Hill.

SANTA BARBARA COUNTY

Los Alamos Valley—Master Henry J. Dull.
Lompoc—Master Owen D. Hollister.
Sisquoc—Not represented.
Santa Ynez Valley—Alternate Lottie Browning.

SANTA CLARA COUNTY

Almaden—Master E. Standish and wife.
Coyote—Master Andrew Costa.
Gilroy—Alternate Herbert Sheldon and wife.
Morgan Hill—Master R. M. Szymanski and wife.
Mountain View—Master Christine O. Ainsworth and husband.
Mt. Hamilton—Master Roscoe Murray.
Orchard City—Master J. C. Gordon and wife.
San Jose—Master John H. Petersen and wife.
Sunnyvale—Master Ida Oppermann.

SANTA CRUZ COUNTY

Corralitos—Alternate Margarite Bradley.
Madonna—Alternate Duff C. Galletly and wife.
Roache—Alternate James A. McKean and wife.
Santa Cruz-Live Oak—Alternate Robert Hall and wife.
Tri-Valley—Not represented.

SHASTA COUNTY

Anderson—Alternate Rose DuBecker.
Buckeye—Not represented.
Castle—Alternate Charles Biegeman and wife.
Fall River—Not represented.

Hat Creek—Not represented.
McArthur—Alternate C. C. Hollenbeak and wife.
Millville—Master Hilda L. Atkins and husband.
Montgomery—Not represented.
Mount Lassen—Alternate Audrey Boone.
Ono—Not represented.
Redding—Master Margaret Stewart.

SISKIYOU COUNTY

Dorris—Not represented.
Gazelle—Master Virginia Jackson and husband.
Greenhorn—Master Wayne Ralston and wife.
Happy Camp—Not represented.
Hornbrook—Master John A. Duncan and wife.
Little Shasta—Not represented.
Mt. Bolivar—Master Rodney Gregg.
Scott Valley—Master Robert Tuttle.
Tule Lake—Not represented.

SOLANO COUNTY

Dixon—Alternate Homer G. Brown and wife.
Montezuma—Not represented.
Tolenas—Master Gustav Eittreim.
Vacaville—Master George Kirbyson.

SONOMA COUNTY

Bellevue—Master Wm. L. Gray and wife.
Bennett Valley—Alternate William Pisenti.
Cloverdale—Master W. H. Dilly and wife.
Forestville—Master Anders H. Nielsen.
Geyserville—Not represented.
Petaluma—Alternate T. A. Fayle.
Progressive—Master Paul M. Travis and wife.
Rincon Valley—Master D. E. Wymore.
Santa Rosa—Master Minnie Conners and husband.
Sebastopol—Alternate Ted Linville and wife.
Sonoma Valley—Master Henry A. Pfalzgraf and wife.
Two Rock—Master H. P. Kristensen.
Windsor—Master Ernest Bronson and wife.

STANISLAUS COUNTY

Ceres—Master Everett L. Fountain.
Dry Creek—Alternate C. J. Scott and wife.
Empire—Master Herbert Johnson and wife.
Gratton—Master Alton Rexin and wife.

Keyes—Master Charles Austin and wife.
Oakdale—Alternate Fred N. Merrihew and wife.
Prescott—Master J. G. Johnson and wife.
Shiloh—Master Edward L. Ehrler and wife.
Stanislaus-Mt. View—Alternate Jack Sinclear and wife.
Turlock—Master Wm. R. Ferandes.
Waterford—Alternate Burr Sinclear and wife.
Westport—Not represented.
Wood Colony—Master Claire Hilliker and wife.

SUTTER COUNTY

General Sutter—Alternate W. D. Mangells and wife.
Live Oak—Master Parker W. Wilbur and wife.
South Sutter—Alternates Floyd Trevathan and wife.

TEHAMA COUNTY

Capay—Not represented.
El Camino—Master Melvin Rowen and wife.
Independent—Master Mable Grieves.
Los Molinos—Master Charles Conway.
Maywood—Alternate Lou Guilford.
West Side—Master Rolin Eslinger and wife.

TRINITY COUNTY

Hay Fork Valley—Not represented.
Trinity River—Not represented.
Trinity Valley—Alternate Henry Seely and wife.

TULARE COUNTY

Alpaugh—Master John Coke.
Dinuba—Master Hattie E. Liebau and husband.
Earlimart—Master Herbert Kramer.
Farmersville—Master S. L. Lang and wife.
Springville—Not represented.
Tulare—Master A. P. Kirkpatrick.
Poplar—Alternate Ira Anthony and wife.
Porterville—Master Victor V. Bowker and wife.

TUOLUMNE COUNTY

Sonora—Master Albert Falk.

VENTURA COUNTY

La Avenida—Master Ernest A. Payton and wife.
Ojai Valley—Master Frank Eakin and wife.

YOLO COUNTY

Davis—Master F. J. Greer.
Western Yolo—Alternate Norman Billing.
Woodland—Not represented.
Yolo—Not represented.

YUBA COUNTY

Brownsville—Master L. W. Higgins and wife.

Fraternally submitted,

L. H. HARDING, Chairman
Credentials Committee

Moved by Brother Mannering, Seconded by Sister Alberti, that the report of the Credentials Committee be adopted. Motion carried.

A special order of business was announced: Nomination of Officers of California State Grange for the ensuing term, and the following names were placed in nomination:

Master:

George Sehlmeier, incumbent, Sacramento County.
George Critchett, Butte County.

Overseer:

Edwin Koster, incumbent, Stanislaus County.
Jack Sinclear, Stanislaus County.

Lecturer:

Hilda Atkins, incumbent, Shasta County.
Vera Bryson, Stanislaus County.

Steward:

Ed Hill, incumbent, Riverside County.
Carl Ryser, Santa Clara County.

Assistant Steward:

W. G. LaCaille, incumbent, San Diego County.
H. T. Lively, Tulare County.
R. C. McKenny, San Bernardino County.

Chaplain:

Leta Littler, incumbent, Los Angeles County.
Susan MacDonald, Santa Cruz County.

Treasurer:

M. T. Hunt, incumbent, Sacramento County.
F. J. Greer Yolo County.

Secretary:

Celia M. Harding, incumbent, Fresno County.

Gatekeeper:

J. W. Anderson, incumbent, Monterey County.
A. C. Smith, Sonoma County.
Oscar Franson, Amador County.
Ed Walden, Humboldt County.
Wm. G. Tyler, San Bernardino County.

Ceres:

Agnes Berg, Placer County.

Pomona:

May Schmidt, incumbent, Merced County.
Eunice Smith, Butte County.
Ruth Turrell, San Bernardino County.

Flora:

Vera Blakely, incumbent, San Bernardino County.
Mabel Kuss, Contra Costa County.

Lady Assistant Steward:

Margaret Robinson, incumbent, Sacramento County.
Jessie McKenny, San Bernardino County.
Wilma Hackett, Humboldt County.
Pearl Page, San Bernardino County.
Fay Wilson, Riverside County.
Effie Spencer, Santa Clara County.

Musician:

Ruth Dye, Santa Cruz County.
Juanita Travis, Sonoma County.
Lois Nelson, San Bernardino County.
Will Campbell, Nevada County.
J. W. Pickup, Riverside County.
Ethel Carroll, San Diego County.

Executive Committee:

E. L. Holmes, Butte County.
Wm. P. Knight, Los Angeles County.
H. K. Shirk, Tehama County.
Marshall Fisher, San Joaquin County.
Merle Mensinger, San Joaquin County.
C. J. Rust, Napa County.
Claud French, Santa Cruz County.

The appointment of the following committees was announced from the Master's station:

ELECTIONS COMMITTEE

Charles George, Orange County.
F. R. Davis, San Bernardino County.
Harry Dickerman, Santa Clara County.
Henry Dickie, Mendocino County.
J. R. Goodson, Merced County.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

August Brucker, Chairman
H. J. Clark Mrs. Pansy Martin
Willington Hiatt Mrs. Kittie Van Horn

CONSERVATION

O. M. Davis, Chairman
Eugene Holmes Hattie Liebau
E. Y. Rinker Rhoda V. Keefer

LEGISLATION

Al L. Christopher, Chairman
H. T. Lively Hallie Hansen
Robert Wardlow Hugh Carpenter

AGRICULTURE

Ed Kling, Chairman
Milton Heath Owen Hollister
Rubie Alberti Eunice Smith

EDUCATION

Inez Hamman, Chairman
Wilma Hackett Albert Chamness
Virginia Jackson Willard Smith

MARKETING

Marshall Dopkins, Chairman

A. W. Stone

Charles Glover

L. L. Threlkel

Morris E. Crane

TAXATION

Wayne Ralston, Chairman

Tom McBride

W. S. Long

Wm. Tyler

John Hansen

COOPERATION

F. J. Greer, Chairman

Neal Christensen

Allen Lindebeck

ROADS AND HIGHWAYS

Ralph Banfill, Chairman

George Campbell

Frank Eakin

DIVISION OF LABOR

V. Grannuci

MILEAGE AND PER DIEM

Harry Barnes, Chairman

Carl Ryser

Harry Schmidt

CREDENTIALS

Loyhed Harding

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

Dr. W. E. Parker

Brother Christopher, Santa Clara County, announced that Brother Pettit, Past Master of California State Grange, will be 99 years old on the 8th of November, and asked Brother Harry Barnes to speak. Brother Barnes paid a splendid tribute to Brother Pettit's long years of service and his continuing activity in the Grange. It was

moved by Brother Barnes, seconded by Sister Ainsworth, that a potted plant be sent Brother Pettit upon the occasion of his 99th Birthday. Motion carried.

Sister Howe, Past Master of San Jose Grange No. 10, and 92 years of age, was introduced and accorded hearty applause.

Grange stood at recess, and Brother Ed Milldrum introduced E. L. Smith, of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, who spoke on the benefit of the Credit Union within the Grange, to its members, and emphasized the fact that inasmuch as loans are made largely on the basis of the integrity of the borrowers, Grange members have a very small record of loan delinquency.

Grange stood at noon recess, until 2:00 P. M.

During the noon recess State Master George Sehlmeier, State Deputy Edwin Koster, State Home Economics Chairman Mabel Glenn and Santa Cruz County Pomona Master, Claud French, motored to Watsonville where all participated in a broadcast from Radio Station KHUB from 12:30 to 1:00 P. M.

At 2:00 o'clock, Grange re-assembled and continued at recess to hear an address by Mr. Byron J. McMahon of the California Polytechnic School, and State Supervisor of Future Farmers of America. Following his address, Eugene Starkey, of Orland, Past State FFA President and National Vice-President, spoke. Following his talk, his parents were introduced.

Dr. Cooley, California medical officer of California Physicians Service, and Publicity Director Ballantyne, of the same organization, were introduced, and Dr. Cooley outlined the benefits of the Physicians Service to the person of low or moderate income. He emphasized the fact that C. P. S. is organized on a cooperative basis, and is a service, not a type of group insurance.

Recess was declared at an end at 3:30, and Sister Mabel Glenn, Home Economics Chairman, presented her report which follows:

HOME ECONOMICS COMMITTEE REPORT

Worthy Master, State Grange Officers and Members, Greetings:

The past year has been one of the best as well as the busiest years in Grange Home Economics work. During

the year a volume of work has been reported. War winning activities have topped the list. The clubs have worked faithfully in cooperation with Red Cross, especially its local blood banks and sewing; service men from nearby camps have been entertained in homes, and U. S. O., helped victory gardens, conservation, salvage, relief, hall improvement and all bond drives have received hearty Grange support.

The making of scrap, history and year books have claimed attention. Beautification has come into its own and many homes report a blooming or scenic tree. \$355.56 has been contributed to our Student Loan Fund.

A new state hand book was gotten out the first of the year.

All western and National reports have been made.

Our State Grange building fund shows substantial contributions from over the State.

Interest has been keen in the feed sack contest. There are more county exhibits than any other year.

It has been my great privilege to have been in each Grange county in our state, helping to promote Grange interest, and also participate in the War Bond Program.

The responsibility and leadership furnished by our Grange ladies has been of inestimable value in spite of additional burdens in their own homes.

The work of our clubs is not widely advertised and sometimes gets little publicity; nevertheless the Grange total for the year reaches unbelievable dimensions.

It is with grateful recognition of time, energy, loyalty, and sincerity of our club workers that we express our deep appreciation of gratitude—not alone could this be done but through the united efforts of all.

We recommend that the same appropriation be given the committee to continue this work.

Believing that the establishment and preservation of a grove of ever-living redwoods as a tribute to the men and women who served in the armed services of the United States in world war II, to be known as the "National Tribute Grove" is highly commendable, we ask the interest, cooperation and assistance of all our membership to help sponsor such a project, so that the efforts of the Save-the-

Redwoods League in establishing this National Tribute Grove, may be successful.

Fraternally submitted,

MABEL GLENN

MARGARET A. STEWART

EMMA A. MICHALK

MAYME HILL

Her report was accepted as read.

She spoke briefly regarding the National Tribute Grove in Del Norte County, which is to be a living monument to those who served in the armed services during the war. It was moved by Brother LaCaille that the recommendation of Sister Glenn regarding the National Grove be approved. Seconded and carried.

Sister Glenn presented a gift to the Worthy Master and Mrs. Sehlmeier, from the Home Economics Clubs of the state. The Worthy Master responded graciously. Then, as a personal gift, she presented him a beautifully bound California State Grange Building Fund Record Book, and the Worthy Master expressed his thanks.

Sister Glenn then announced the winners in the Home Economics Exhibit, which are as follows:

EXHIBIT TABLES

First 6 Highest

1—	Merced	\$7.50
2—	Antelope Valley	6.00
3—	Santa Clara	5.50
4—	Sonoma	5.00
5—	Fresno	4.50
6—	Santa Cruz	4.00

\$32.50

Second Six Highest

7—	Sutter	\$3.50
8—	Ventura	3.00
9—	San Bernardino	2.50
10—	Kern	2.00
11—	San Diego	1.50
12—	Napa	1.00

\$13.50

16 HONOR AWARDS

1—San Luis Obispo	\$1.00
2—San Joaquin	1.00
3—Riverside	1.00
4—Orange	1.00
5—Los Angeles	1.00
6—Shasta	1.00
7—Glenn	1.00
8—Stanislaus	1.00
9—Mendocino	1.00
10—Tulare	1.00
11—Tehama	1.00
12—Del Norte	1.00
13—Humboldt	1.00
14—El Dorado	1.00
15—Butte	1.00
16—Sacramento	1.00

HISTORY BOOKS — 1945

1—Sierra Valley	\$4.00
2—Coyote	3.00
3—Farmersville	2.00
4—East Palo Alto	1.00

SCRAP BOOKS

Pomona

1—San Luis Obispo	\$4.00
2—Santa Clara	3.00
3—Kern	2.00

SCRAP BOOKS — SUBORDINATE H. E. C.

1—Ojai	\$4.00
2—Mt. Arthur	3.00
3—Lake Earl	2.00
4—Orangevale	1.00

YEAR BOOKS — H. E. C.

1—Atascadero	\$3.00
2—Santa Clara	2.00
3—Lake Earl	1.00
4—Fonbloom	1.00

Brother LaCaille and Brother Albert Chamness, both of San Diego County, extended an invitation to the convention to meet in San Diego in 1946. It was moved and seconded that we accept this invitation. Motion carried.

Grange stood at recess, and Mr. Aram, San Jose Attorney was introduced, who outlined the method used by Santa Clara in obtaining Extension Service which was entirely apart from any Farm Organization. He read the original contract between the Supervisors of Santa Clara County, and the Extension Service, and compared it with the amended contract which the County finally approved and signed.

It was moved by Brother Parker, seconded by Brother Atkins, that the Santa Clara Contract be published in full in the State Grange News. Motion carried.

Brother O. M. Davis, Chairman of the Conservation Committee, presented a partial report. Report will be found under final and complete report of committee.

The announcement was made that balloting will close at 6:30 P. M. Wednesday. Grange stood at recess at 4:50 until 8:00 P. M.

EVENING SESSION

California State Grange session reconvened at 8:00 P. M. and Brother Ray Gill, Past Master of Oregon State Grange and National Executive Committee Member, was escorted to the Master's station and accorded a hearty welcome.

Brother Gill spoke briefly, stating that 13 was a lucky number, since this was his 13th consecutive year to be present at the California State Grange. He leaves for the National Grange Convention on Friday, and brought greetings from our neighbor state.

The business session continued, and

It was moved by Brother Holmes, seconded by Brother LaCaille, that Resolutions not sent in to the State Grange Office be received and referred to committee without reading. Motion carried.

Moved by Brother Patterson, seconded by Brother Atkins that closing time for the presentation of resolutions

be set for Thursday evening at the close of the evening session. Motion carried.

F. J. Greer, Vice President of Grangers Business Organization was introduced and rendered a verbal report.

Sister Inez Hamann, Chairman of the Committee on Education, made a partial report. Report will be found under final and complete report of committee.

Legislative Committee Chairman, A. L. Christopher, made a partial report which will be found under final and complete report of committee.

Moved, seconded and carried that Thursday's morning session open at 9 o'clock.

Grange closed in regular form in the Fourth Degree.

THURSDAY MORNING

California State Grange opened in regular form, Worthy Master George Sehlmeier presiding. The Divine Blessing was invoked by the Worthy Chaplain, and "Bringing in the Sheaves" was sung. Presentation of the flag followed, with Sister Eunice Smith, Butte County, acting as flag bearer.

Roll call of officers disclosed all officers present.

The Journal of Proceedings of Wednesday was read and approved.

Brother Ray Gill, Member of Executive Committee of National Grange was presented at the Master's station.

Brother A. L. Christopher, chairman of the Agricultural Committee made a partial report which will be found under final and complete report of committee.

ELECTIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

The report of the Elections Committee was received, Brother Charles George, Chairman, reporting.

Those declared elected to office for the ensuing term were: Master, George Sehlmeier; Overseer, Edwin Koster; Lecturer, Hilda Atkins; Steward, Ed Hill; Assistant Steward, W. G. LaCaille; Chaplain, Leta Littler; Treasurer, M. T. Hunt; Secretary, Celia M. Harding; Ceres, Agnes Berg; Flora, Vera Blakely; and Pomona, May Schmidt.

No candidate having received a majority of all votes

cast, in the following offices, ballots were ordered prepared bearing the names of the two highest candidates in each case. The offices and candidates were as follows:

Gatekeeper—W. J. Anderson and Ed Walden.

Lady Assistant Steward—Margaret Robinson and Effie Spencer.

Pianist—Will Campbell and Ruth Dye.

Executive Committee—Merle Mensinger and W. P. Knight.

Brother George Critchett reported on the amount turned in in the Home Economics Jars for the State Building Fund, a total of \$3,197.36.

Brother and Sister Arch Riley of Elk Grove Grange were escorted to the Master's Station and presented with a potted Begonia on this, their 24th wedding anniversary. The Worthy Master made the presentation and Brother and Sister Riley responded, expressing their thanks.

Grange stood at recess at 11:30 and turned the program to Cordie M. Hannah, Juvenile Superintendent, who presented the following program:

JUVENILE PROGRAM, NOVEMBER 8, 1945

Introduction of the State Superintendent, Cordie M. Hannah, by Ruth Dye, Deputy of Santa Cruz County.

1. "America."
2. Dance, "Rainy Day"—Thelma Rowe, Mt. Hamilton Juvenile Grange.
3. Skipping Rope Tap—Dorothy Adams, Live Oak Grange.
4. Accordion Solo—Alberta May Turner, Live Oak Grange.
5. Accordion duet—Alberta May Turner, June Turner, Live Oak Grange.
6. Song and dance, "When Pa Was Courting Ma"—Shirley and Clark Daniel, Mt. Hamilton.
7. Song, "My Rocking-horse Ran Away"—Bonnie Bevins (4 years) Roache Juvenile Grange.
8. Violin solo—Arthur Adams, Live Oak Grange.
9. Hawaiian Dance—Joyce and Juanita Davis, Kerman Juvenile Grange.

10. Accordion solo—June Turner, Live Oak Grange.
11. Tap Dance—Clark Daniel, Terry Rowe, Mt. Hamilton Juvenile Grange.
12. Song, "Over the Rainbow"—Alice Sams, Corralitos Grange.
13. Acrobat Routine Act—Dorothy Adams, Live Oak Grange.
14. Piano Solo, "Dance of the Brownies"—Janice Bateman, Master Kerman Juvenile Grange.
15. Military Tap—Shirley Daniel, Thelma Rowe, Mt. Hamilton Juvenile Grange.
16. Accordion Solo—Joyce Davis, Kerman Juvenile Grange.
17. "Ragtime Cowboy Joe"—Thelma and Terry Rowe, Shirley and Clark Daniel, Mt. Hamilton.
18. Scrapbook Awards: 1st, Three Forks; 2nd, Farmersville; 3rd, McArthur; 4th, Mt. Hamilton; 5th, Mt. Vernon. Booth Awards: 1st, Mt. Hamilton; 2nd, Farmersville.
19. Presenting penny jars to State Grange Building Fund. Shirley Daniel, Mt. Hamilton Grange.
20. Song, "My Alice Blue Gown," dedication birthday song to John Barritt on his 77th birthday—Alice Sams, Corralitos Grange.
Address—George A. Critchett.
Closing—"America the Beautiful."
State Grange recessed until 2 P. M.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON

Thursday afternoon at 2 p. m., memorial services were conducted by Leta Littler, Chaplain of California State Grange. Leading the Processional were James P. Littler in the United States Marine Uniform, and Brother George Critchett. Following an impressive candlelight service during the eulogy, Brother Critchett delivered a short eulogy in memory of the dead in the service of their country, and Brother Littler dedicated his address to the living in the armed forces. Following is the program in full:

MEMORIAL SERVICES

Processional.

Led by James Littler presenting the colors.

Silent Prayer followed by Lord's Prayer by audience.

Abide With Me Choir

Scripture Reading Chaplain

Solo—Sunrise Effie Spencer

Eulogies

Nearer My God To Thee Choir

Tribute to deceased service men George Critchett

Tribute to Living James Littler

Jesus Saviour Pilot Me Choir

Prayer Chaplain

Recessional.

Taps.

Those Deceased

By Whom Eulogized

A. J. Crandall.....	Mr. and Mrs. Charles Forbes
John Hartley.....	Mr. and Mrs. W. I. Mannering
Blayer N. Hill.....	Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Christopher
Burt Stevens.....	Andrew Costa and Pearl Ryser
Annie Gerrells.....	Mary Schultze and H. H. Ainsworth
Ada McBride.....	Matt Conrad and Eunice White
E. H. Burton.....	Carl Ryser and Ida Opperman
Elmer Tompkins.....	Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Sheldon
Erie Van Ryn.....	Mr. and Mrs. Henry Pfalzgraf
Frank Moran.....	Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Wiggins
Walter Havenstrite.....	A. K. Nieslen and Juanita Travis
Daisy Pape.....	Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Maass
Judge John Ellis.....	Belle Leroux and W. Hiatt
Mrs. Mary O'Brien.....	Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Knight
John G. Venneman.....	Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Johnson
Ernest Lambrecht.....	Mrs. Meta Brown and V. Granucci
E. E. Hardesty.....	Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Chase
Effie Buckner.....	Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Duncan
Kate Wood.....	Mr. and Mrs. Lester Martin
George Wurth.....	Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Eslinger
H. W. Alleman.....	Hattie G. Pitcher and Joe McClelland
Emmaline Addy.....	Mr. and Mrs. Alan Lindebeck
John J. Behen.....	Mr. and Mrs. Bill Anderson
Arthur L. Shook.....	Mr. and Mrs. John N. Ennen
Mrs. Mayda McLaughlin.....	Gladys Wilson and Sam Haskew
John Hayes.....	Mr. and Mrs. P. T. Werner
James P. Kelly.....	Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Hansen
Rank and File.....	Ida Eppley and A. Martinson

State Grange reconvened at 4:00 P. M. and W. D. Ellsworth presented his report for the Fire Insurance Association. His report follows:

**THE GRANGE FRATERNAL FIRE INSURANCE
ASSOCIATION**

ANNUAL REPORT OF SECRETARY FOR 1944-1945

Year ending September 30, 1945

Total Renewals for the year	\$1,222,980.60
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GROSS GAINS

New Business.....	\$1,086,669.40	
Added Insurance.....	65,612.00	\$1,152,281.40

GROSS LOSSES

Expirations	\$ 460,308.30	
Cancellations	289,160.00	
Renewals	28,244.00	
Fire Losses.....	7,789.20	\$ 785,501.50

Net Gain For The Year.....	\$ 366,779.90
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Gross Fire Ins. In Force Sept. 30, 1944.....	\$5,610,629.86
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Gross Fire Ins. in force Sept. 30, 1945.....	\$5,977,409.76
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RECEIPTS

Balance September 30, 1944.....	\$ 1,254.51
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Total Premiums for the Year.....	
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\$28,155.76

Less unpaid premiums 783.58	
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27,372.18

Received on past due premiums....	291.12	
Received on Fire Extinguishers....	240.00	
Miscellaneous Receipts.....	84.19	\$29,242.00

Transferred to Treasurer's Account	28,500.00
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Balance on hand Sept. 30, 1945....	\$ 742.00
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Financial Statement

Treasurer's Balance Sept. 30, 1944..	\$41,521.99	
Sec. Balance Sept. 30, 1944.....	1,254.51	\$42,776.50
Insurance premiums received.....		27,663.30
Received from sale of Fire Ex- tinguishers		240.00
Received from Interest U. S. Gov't Bonds		425.00
Received from Int. Bank Deposits		129.34
Received from misc. Sources.....		95.25
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		\$71,329.39
Fire Losses paid.....	\$ 7,789.20	
Adjustment expense	103.34	
Salaries	2,928.40	
Agents' Fees	4,065.50	
Expense Directors' Meetings	799.45	
Office expense	741.39	
Auditing expense	150.00	
Refund of unearned premiums	1,338.66	
Withholding and S. S. taxes paid	187.02	
State Grange News	80.00	
Miscellaneous	218.22	\$18,401.18
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Balance on hand Sept. 30, 1945....		\$52,928.21
Cash in Banks	\$34,186.21	
U. S. Gov't. Bonds	18,000.00	
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		\$52,928.21

W. D. ELLSWORTH, Secretary

Brother Vincent Grannucci reported for the Committee on Division of Labor. His report follows:

DIVISION OF LABOR REPORT

The Division of Labor Committee has analyzed the State Master's Annual Address and referred the portion pertaining to Highway Safety to Roads and Highway Committee; Credit Unions to Credit Union Committee; Peace-time Military Conscription and Public Health to Education Committee; Taxation to Taxation Committee; Full Employment Legislation, Agricultural Legislation, Agriculture, Labor and Industry Conferences, and farm outlook to Ag-

ricultural Committee; Marketing to Marketing Committee; Central Valley Project Development and Central Valley Project Conference to Conservation Committee; Surplus War Commodities, Post War Trends and United Nations Charter to Legislative Committee; Grangers Business Organization, Inc., Condition of the Grange, Home Economics, Juvenile Granges, State Grange Building, Grange News and California State Grange Livestock Foundation, Inc. to good of the order Committee.

Respectfully submitted,

VINCENT GRANUCCI

Brother and Sister Wellington Hyatt were escorted to the Master's station on the occasion of their having been married 45 years. They received a gift of a lovely tray from their friends.

Brother C. R. C. Jarratt was introduced and presented the report for the State Grange News, which report follows:

This is the fourth year that I have had the privilege of standing before the delegate body of the California State Grange.

In drawing your attention to the cover of the Convention number of the Grange News it gives me the opportunity of passing on to you the special thanks of the Treasury Department to those Granges who so generously responded to the appeal to join a special advertisement, advertising the Victory Bond drive.

I would like to divide my report into three phases.

First, your Grange newspaper itself. It has been an eventful year. As your State Master has told you we have been a much quoted paper. We have "made" the Congressional Record twice and the high light of the year was the honor accorded to the Grange membership when your managing Editor was chosen from California to attend a Chicago conference of national farm paper editors. This conference was of special interest to the Grange because it gave a preview of agriculture implements especially designed for the use of the small family-sized farm.

One unique feature affecting the Grange News is the

large number of outside subscriptions that are being received. A considerable amount come from concerns who watch the doings of the Grange as a cat watches a mouse. These reactionaries are most alert these days and employ special agencies to comb through such "Free Press" papers such as the Grange News to see what we are up to.

May I tell you of one incident to prove this point.

Some months ago I wrote an article giving the cartels "What for"! In less than a week after publication a two page letter was received from the Vice-President of one of the largest U. S. firms with cartel affiliative with foreign firms. This letter threatened dire penalties, jail and so forth, unless we made retraction and apologies at once.

We sat tight and wrote some journalistic contacts and comrades of ours to sustain us with further evidence. This they did, advising us to tell our cartel friend to take a jump in the lake. That's several months ago and so far as we know he's still there.

The correspondence received by the Grange News is considerable—during the past year 10,000 pieces of mail have passed over the Editor's desk.

Special thanks are due the Grange News Correspondents who report Grange doings. They are faithful workers all.

It costs a lot to run a paper. Printing costs have simply gone out of sight. Our printing costs for the past year have exceeded by \$1500 that of the previous year and that increase coupled with the absence of the \$1500 which formerly came in from Grange members has created new problems. In view of these abnormal expenses, we must devise new avenues of revenue to make up for the anticipated small businessman's ad.

Frankly the small local merchant does not advertise with the Grange News as he should considering that the California Grange News is his best champion and we all are hopeful that in the coming year the local Granges will really do all they can to increase our advertising revenue.

In closing may I acknowledge the loyalty of our printer; in a difficult year he has done more than has been required of him to help us navigate. This Convention issue of 28 pages enabled us to get in "the black" and so we start a new Grange year with a new high in readers and the prospect of another interesting and challenging year ahead.

I want to say thank you too, to Marge, my assistant. Without her loyal help the task would be far harder. She works long hours and is faithful and loyal and I am deeply grateful for this support.

Fraternally submitted,

C. R. C. JARRATT, Editor
California Grange News

The Worthy State Master announced that the ballot would be closed at six P. M. Thursday evening. Grange stood at recess until 8 P. M.

EVENING SESSION

Before an auditorium filled almost to capacity with Patrons, Grange reconvened at 8 o'clock, and the Santa Clara Drill Team presented a most attractive drill. Dressed in pastel shaded formals, and carrying lighted candles, the drill team presented a drill which was both original and delightful. The latter half of the drill substituted ruffled parasols for the candles, and the ladies completed their work with precision which was beautiful to watch. Following this, with Carl Ryser as Master, the Degree Team of Santa Clara County exemplified the degree of Pomona, before a class of 110 candidates.

FIFTH DEGREE CLASS

Barbier, Marianne	Couture, Emma
Barbier, Marguerite	Couture, C. E.
Barbier, Georgette	Ehrler, Ann
Bowser, Ethel	Fayle, Ada
Bowser, J. E.	Fayle, Thomas A.
Breeding, Mae	Foley, Wanda
Brown, Meta C.	Gelmstedt, Lecna
Bucknell, Marion Y.	Goodyear, Mary A.
Bucknell, Roy	Grieve, Mabel E.
Carroll, James	Guilford, Lou Olive
Carrol, Mrs. M. C.	Hale, Catherine
Christensen, Lola M.	Hammond, W. Wallace
Christensen, Neal H.	Hamisch, Olive
Connors, C. F.	Hamisch, Fred
Connors, Minnie	Harding, Raymond L.

Hayden, Shirley Anne	Petersen, Noreen
Hill, Elsie M.	Pitts, Beth
Hill, Edward M.	Pomzini, Louis
Hollenbeak, Frances R.	Pomzini, Ruth
Hollenbeak, C. C.	Pybrum, Eva R.
Howard, Oliver S.	Rasch, Mary L.
Hulbert, V. Sylvia	Richmond, Daisy W.
Hunter, Margaret	Seaward, Ida
Hurley, Leah B.	Seaward, C. L.
Hutcherson, Sue G.	Schluter, Robert L.
Jackson, Virginia	Schluter, Erma
Jackson, S. C.	Shafer, Martha C.
Jago, Gertrude	Shafer, George H.
Johannes, G. L.	Shafer, M.
Jones, Mrs. Bert E.	Shafer, Ebba
Jones, Bert E.	Shumard, Myrtle
Key, Dorothy	Sibley, Luther W.
Kilburn, George	Sibley, Alice D.
Koen, Myrtle Krantz	Silvas, Ben J.
Koen, Ralph	Smith, Mrs. Cornelia B.
Kristensen, H. P.	Smith, Mrs. Alice S.
Kunzler, E. T.	Smith, Budderick L.
Lewis, Carl	Stone, Bertha
Linville, Edna	Thraver, Ida
Linville, Ted J.	Ward, Mrs. Dale
MacDonald, Susan L.	Ward, Dale
MacDonald, Duncan G.	Ward, Justine
Mallery, Angela L.	Ward, Ray L.
Mallery, Raymond W.	Ward, Grace
Mapes, Edythe	Weichert, Edna
McCombs, Blanche	Weichert, Dave
McHenry, Grace O.	White, Ella May
Nantz, L. Myrtle	Wilbur, Leona
Nelson, Ernest	Wilbur, Parker W.
Olgaard, Jens	Wing, Mary A.
Olgaard, Inga	Williams, Lucile
Ordway, Mrs. Perle	Wood, Mable C.
Ordway, Smith	Worsham, Zota B.
Parker, Jr., Mrs. W. E.	Worsham, Henry A.
Parker, Jr., Dr. W. E.	Womack, Edna

Following this the State Officers resumed their stations. Grange was closed in the Fifth Degree and opened in the Sixth Degree and the Degree of Flora was exemplified with a class of 360 candidates.

SIXTH DEGREE CLASS

Alves, Lela M.	Chamness, Rebecca E.
Anderson, William	Chamness, Albert N.
Andersen, Hortense E.	Chase, Mrs. Mary P.
Andersen, Christen	Christensen, Lola M.
Anthony, Anna	Christensen, Neal H.
Anthony, Ira	Clapp, Charles H.
Baker, Bertha	Clark, Arthur C.
Baker, Lena	Clark, Mrs. Arthur C.
Barbier, Georgette	Coe, Mary B.
Barbier, Maria	Coke, John
Barbier, Marguerite	Cole, Mary
Barbier, Marianne	Conway, Chas. L.
Barbier, Max	Connors, C. F.
Bartlett, Julia	Connors, Mrs. Minnie
Bernhardt, Gertrude	Cook, George E.
Billing, W. N.	Costa, Andrew R.
Bolling, Mrs. Justina	Couture, Mrs. Emma
Boone, Audrey	Couture, C. E.
Bosch, Elsie	Cox, Alice G.
Bowker, E. Vaughn	Crow, Jr., H. Leslie
Bowker, Victor V.	Daniels, Mrs. Pearl M.
Bowser, Ethel	Darling, Lauretta
Bowser, J. E.	Darling, C. A.
Brace, Helen J.	Dennison, Mrs. Grace E.
Brace, Fred G.	Descher, John
Breeding, Mae	Duncan, Mrs. John A.
Breeding, Earl E.	Duncan, John A.
Brovelli, Attilio	Dull, H. J.
Brown, Meta C.	Eakin, Lois G.
Bryson, Mrs. Vera	Eakin, Frank L.
Buck, Ruby A.	Ehrler, Ann
Buck, John W.	Ehrler, Edward L.
Bucknell, Marion	Faulds, Letitia V.
Bucknell, Roy	Faulds, Ray W.
Burch, Clara	Fayle, Ada
Cacka, Bernice	Fayle, Thomas A.
Cabassi, Stella E.	Fick, Mrs. Lillian
Carpenter, C. A.	Finchum, Mrs. Emma A.
Carpenter, Mrs. C. A.	Fitchie, Russell
Carroll, M. C.	Foley, Wanda
Carroll, James	Foote, Gerald T.
Caswell, Claude	Forester, Mildred
Chaffey, Marie	Forsyth, J. H.

- Frick, Vivian
Frick, Roy B.
Gant, Mrs. Leon R.
Gant, Leon R.
Gamble, Victor L.
Gamble, Mrs. Victor L.
Giberson, F. W.
Glass, Bertha
Goodman, Mrs. Cecil
Goodman, W. H.
Graham, Lawrence Y.
Gray, William L.
Gray, Evelyn M.
Grey, Ruth
Grey, B. L.
Greene, Edward H.
Gregory, Lottie
Gregory, Mrs. P. M.
Gregory, P. M.
Grieve, Mabel E.
Guilford, Lou Olive
Gunn, Mrs. Jewel
Gwin, Mrs. Thelma
Hall, Catherine
Hamann, Inez
Hamisch, Olive
Hamisch, Fred
Hammond, W. Wallace
Hansen, Harvey L.
Harding, Raymond L.
Harding, Ruth C.
Harding, H. C.
Haskell, Mae E.
Haskell, Lonnie D.
Haskew, Sam B.
Hayden, Shirley Anne
Heintz, H. W.
Helms, Devota
Herndon, Narcissa
Herndon, James N.
Hill, Elsie M.
Hill, Edward M.
Hinton, Emma
Hoehlke, Viola May
Hollenbeak, Frances R.
Hollenbeak, C. C.
Hoover, Mrs. Lila
Hopkins, R. H.
Hovious, Mrs. Maxine
Hovious, Arthur F.
Howard, Oliver S.
Hughes, Maidie E.
Hughes, Lloyd L.
Hulbert, V. Sylvia
Hultman, Fae
Hultman, C. G.
Hunter, Margaret
Hurley, Leah B.
Hutcherson, Sue G.
Hutcherson, E. W.
Hugchins, John S.
Ingersoll, Earl R.
Ingersoll, Mrs. Earl R.
Jackson, Mrs. Virginia
Jackson, S. C.
Jackson, A. E.
Jacobs, Mrs. Lucia
Jago, Gertrude
Johannes, G. L.
Johnson, Ethel M.
Johnson, Lenna
Johnson, Herbert
Johnson, Elsie M.
Johnson, George D.
Johnston, Clark
Jones, Bert E.
Jones, Mrs. Bert E.
Kandy, Mrs. Gillie
Keesling, Alberta L.
Kell, Florence
Key, Dorothy
Kilburn, George
Koen, Mrs. Myrtle K.
Koen, Ralph
Kramer, Herbert H.
Kristensen, H. P.
Kunzler, E. T.
LaCaille, Mrs. W. G.

- Lang, Viola May
Lang, S. F.
Lanz, Mary Regina
Laramore, Estelle F.
Leach, Russell G.
Leaman, Carmen
Lewis, Carl
Linville, Edna
Linville, Ted J.
Lively, Vera
Locke, Anna Lyle
Locke, Jerry R.
MacDonald, Susan L.
MacDonald, Duncan G.
Machen, Lavisia L.
Mahnke, Pauline
Mahnke, Elmer H.
Mahnke, Betty
Mahnke, Mrs. W. H.
Mahnke, W. H.
Major, Charlotte T.
Major, John C.
Malech, Gertrude L.
Manchester, Gwendolyn
Mapes, Edythe
Marciel, M. E.
Marciel, D. F.
Marks, Hazel A.
Marks, Leonard G.
Markham, Lucille
Markham, P. E.
Masheeco, Mrs. Sybil
Mattila, Maxine M.
Mattila, Richard
McCombs, Blanche
McKean, Carrie A.
McKean, James A.
McHenry, Grace O.
Mello, Mrs. Irene
Mello, Jr., Joe M.
Melott, Augusta
Melott, Walter
Merritt, Lillian K.
Meyer, Leola
Meyette, Maude M.
Molesworth, Lillian
Moore, Frank L.
Morley, Miss Alice E.
Morrison, Loretta S.
Nantz, L. Myrtle
Nash, George D.
Neel, Mrs. H. C.
Nelson, Ernest
Nichols, Louise
Nielsen, Anders N.
Nilmeier, Urban
Nott, Louisa
Ohneck, Golda E.
Ohneck, Albert G.
Olgaard, Inga
Olgaard, Jens
Ordway, Mrs. Perle
Ordway, Smith
Palmer, Evalyn
Parker, Jr., Mrs. W. E.
Parker, Jr., Dr. W. E.
Payton, Ernest A.
Pearson, Miss Pearl A.
Petersen, John H.
Petersen, Noreen
Piezzi, Helen
Piper, Lloyd V.
Pisenti, William W.
Pitts, Beth
Pfalzgraf, Henry A.
Pomzini, Ruth
Pomzini, Louis
Poulsen, Margaret A.
Powell, Edith
Powers, Aaron L.
Pybrum, Eva R.
Rabb, Mrs. Bertha
Rasch, Mary L.
Rasch, Erwin E.
Rath, Sarah E.
Rath, Jacob C.
Rexin, Grace B.
Rexin, Alton W.

- Richmond, Daisy W.
Rinker, Bina
Rinker, E. Y.
Rippy, Norma K.
Rivard, Mrs. Louise
Roberts, Dorthée S.
Robson, Dan
Rohrbacher, Pauline
Rohrbacher, Gordon A.
Ross, Anna I.
Rowe, Mildred
Rowe, Terry E.
Rowen, Ella
Rowen, Melvin C.
Rue, Otis
Rutherford, David F.
Schrink, Roby Lou
Schlopia, Fern
Schluter, Erma
Schluter, Robert L.
Schultze, Mary E.
Selvester, Nora M.
Seaward, Ida
Seaward, C. L.
Shafer, M.
Shafer, Ebba
Shafer, Martha C.
Shafer, George H.
Shermer, Mabel
Stumard, Myrtle
Sibley, Alice D.
Sibley, Luther W.
Silva, Marie
Silva, Laurence
Silvas, Ben J.
Smith, Mrs. Sadie L.
Smith, Al M.
Smith, Buddrick L.
Smith, Emma
Smith, Pearl
Smith, Alice S.
Smith, Cornelia B.
Spain, Clara
Squires, Robert O.
Squires, Mrs. Robert O.
Standish, Edna V.
Standish, E. M.
Stone, Bertha
Swall, G. R.
Sweet, Addie L.
Tallent, John M.
Thraver, Ida
Tucker, Gerald
Tuttle, Robert
Urman, Agnes M.
Urman, Morris
Walsh, Mae M.
Walsh, Martin S.
Waller, Margaret
Waller, E.
Walker, Ruth
Ward, Mrs. Dale L.
Ward, Dale L.
Ward, Mrs. Grace.
Ward, Justine
Ward, Ray L.
Warner, Grace
Warner, P. T.
Webb, Leno Cooper
Weedon, Jessie A.
Weichert, Edna
Weichert, Dave
Welker, Dora Marie
Welker, Charles E.
Weterell, Virginia H.
White, Ella May
Wilbur, Leona
Wilbur, Parker W.
Wilkinson, Sue
Wilkinson, Ed R.
Williams, Alice
Williams, Lucile
Willoughby, Marie
Wilson, Gladys
Wilson, R. C.
Wing, Mary A.
Winterbottom, Mrs. M. A.
Wright, Barbara R.

Wood, Mable C.
 Wood, Otho
 Woodward, Mabel A.
 Woodward, Margaretha
 Woodward, Lester

Woolard, John
 Womack, Edna
 Worrall, C. J.
 Wersham, Zota B.
 Worsham, Henry A.

At the close of the Sixth Degree, Worthy Flora and her court led a processional to the corridors, where Santa Cruz Pomona Grange had arranged an attractive and bountiful feast of fruits.

Following the Feast, the State Grange Officers resumed their Stations. The Worthy Master declared Grange closed in the Sixth Degree and opened in the Fourth Degree. Grange closed in regular form.

It was moved, seconded and carried that the Report of the Mileage and Per Diem Committee be accepted and printed in the Journal of Proceedings without reading.

MILEAGE AND PER DIEM COMMITTEE REPORT SUBORDINATE GRANGES

Grange	Name	Miles	Amount
	Amador County		
Ione—Oscar Franson		150	\$ 4.50
	Butte County		
Paradise—L. Myrtle Nantz		275	8.25
Biggs—Eunice Smith		245	7.35
Palermo—Florence Kill		250	7.50
Chico—Joe De Bock		250	7.50
Berry Creek—Emma S. Hinton		275	8.25
Durham—L. V. Hicks and Wife		250	15.00
Gridley—W. H. Ray		230	6.90
	Calaveras County		
Calaveras—Neal H. Christensen and Wife ..		175	10.50
	Contra Costa County		
Diablo Valley—George H. Shafer and Wife		103	6.09
Danville—Anna L. Martin		85	2.55
	Del Norte County		
Crescent Redwood—Claud Caswell		442	13.26
Lake Earl—Dan Robson		442	13.26
Klamath Valley—Elsie Bosch		422	12.66

Grange	Name	Miles	Amount
El Dorado County			
Gold Trail—Noreen Petersen	209	6.27	
Marshall—Edna Womack	200	6.00	
Pleasant Valley—Sam Haskew	191	5.73	
Fresno County			
Kingsburg—Alva Rouch and Wife	183	10.98	
Fowler—H. C. Neel and Wife	168	10.08	
Selma—C. A. Darling and Wife	160	9.60	
Clovis—J. G. Maxwell and Wife	160	9.60	
Central—R. O. Marshall and Wife	165	9.90	
Sanger—H. W. Heintz	180	4.80	
James Ranch—Laura O. Weber	140	4.20	
Easton—Vernon H. Wynn and Wife	168	10.08	
Riverdale—Mary Roberts and Husband	180	10.80	
Caruthers—John H. Ennen and Wife	175	10.50	
Glenn County			
Jacinto—Charles O. Vestner	250	7.50	
Orland—Lloyd Piper and Wife	260	15.60	
Golden State—A. J. Overholtzer and Wife	260	15.60	
Humboldt County			
Eel River—Wilma Hackett	360	10.80	
Rohner—Albert Stone and Wife	377	22.62	
Harris—M. S. Milsted and Wife	345	20.70	
Bayside—Rollo Guthridge and Wife	377	22.62	
Garberville—Robert B. Walden	320	9.60	
Orick Valley—Math Konrad	430	12.90	
Redwood—Ralph L. Banfill	315	18.90	
Freshwater—Luther W. Silbey and Wife....	400	24.00	
Humboldt—Ida Pasco and Husband	368	22.08	
Dow's Prairie—Mrs. Cecil M. Turner	400	12.00	
Van Duzen River—Gerald Tucker	359	10.77	
Kern County			
Rosedale—Milton Heath and Wife	270	16.20	
Wasco—A. E. Klassen and Wife	229	13.74	
Delano—Effie Harris	252	7.56	
Weed Patch—John E. Luhmann	270	8.10	
Panama—Albert E. Deabill and Wife	270	16.20	
Fairfax—Clarence C. I ofahl and wife	265	15.00	

Grange	Name	Miles	Amount
Kings County			
Stratford—W. S. Long	200	6.00	
Island—Ben J. Silvas	195	5.85	
Riverbend—John Ellberg and Wife	200	12.00	
Kings River—Charles Hedrick and Wife	190	11.40	
Lake County			
Bachelor Valley—Roy Bucknell and Wife ..	215	12.90	
Clear Lake—Phil Nunnemaker and Wife	240	14.40	
Lassen County			
Johnstonvil.—R. W. Mallery and Wife	371	22.26	
Standish—Clara Burch	410	12.30	
Los Angeles County			
Alpine—Albert G. Ohneck and Wife	365	21.90	
Winnetka—George D. Johnson and Wife	350	21.00	
Joshua Tree—B. C. Grey and Wife	367	22.02	
Durfee—Earl R. Ingersoll and Wife	385	23.10	
Ranchito—William P. Knight and Wife	385	23.10	
Quartz Hill—Earl E. Breeding and Wife	350	21.00	
Val Verde—Rhoda V. Keefer and Husband	400	24.00	
Wildflower—P. M. Gregory and Wife	360	21.60	
Mendocino County			
Garcia—Ruth Walker	200	6.00	
Comptche—Alice G. Cox	150	4.50	
Potter Valley—Lloyd L. Hughes	217	13.02	
Ukiah—George E. Cook and Wife	200	12.00	
Fort Bragg—Richard Mattila and Wife	245	15.70	
Merced County			
Bear Creek—P. T. Warner and Wife	130	7.80	
Dos Palos—Lawrence Y. Graham	120	3.60	
Le Grand—A. E. Jackson	130	3.90	
New Era—Chester Hansen	95	2.85	
Winton—L. A. Foster and Wife	133	7.98	
Merced Colony—Lee Fogal and Wife	130	7.80	
Hilmar—Arthur C. Clark and Wife	120	7.20	
Modoc County			
Mt. Bidwell—Robert L. Schluter and Wife	498	29.88	
Davis Creek—Dan W. Casey and Wife	470	28.20	

Grange	Name	Miles	Amount
Monterey County			
Greenfield—A. B. Stewart and Wife	70	4.20	
Monterey Bay—Hattie Pitcher	46	1.38	
Corral de Tierra—Louise M. Hatton	60	1.80	
Parkfield—Dolores L. Jones	175	5.25	
Marina—Max Barbier and Wife	45	2.70	
Buena Vista—Enevold Nielsen	60	1.80	
Green Gold—Albert Winther and Wife	40	2.40	
Aromas—Ted Hansen and Wife	30	1.80	
Nevada County			
Banner—Smith Ordway and Wife	195	11.70	
Napa County			
Silverado—W. C. Wiggins and Wife	150	9.00	
Rutherford—C. J. Rust and Wife	120	7.20	
Napa—W. I. Mannering	120	7.20	
Orange County			
La Habra—George D. Nash	409	12.27	
Garden Grove—Charles R. George and Wife	426	25.56	
Anaheim—Oscar E. Maass and Wife	422	25.32	
Centralia—J. W. Wright and Wife	415	24.90	
Wintersburg—J. J. Stouffer and Wife	420	25.20	
Costa Mesa—Joseph Rapier and Wife	425	25.50	
Tustin—Lester Woodward and Wife	428	25.68	
Placer County			
Long Valley—L. L. Threlkel and Wife	206	12.36	
Mt. Vernon—George B. Lothrop and Wife	199	11.94	
Placer Foothill—O. J. Van Horn and Wife	212	12.72	
Gold Hill—H. C. Hansen and Wife	206	12.36	
Loomis—Chas. Stallman and Wife	182	10.92	
Sierra Nevada—W. Cunningham and Wife	220	13.20	
Plumas County			
Vinton—Frank V. Dotta and Wife	320	19.20	
Riverside County			
Cherry Valley—Morris E. Crane and Wife	468	28.08	
Nuevo-Lakeview—Leon R. Gant and Wife	490	29.40	
Allessandro Valley—John Descher and Wife	515	30.90	
Rubidoux—R. D. Patterson and Wife	435	26.10	
Murrieta—Erwin E. Rasch and Wife	460	27.60	

Grange	Name	Miles	Amount
Palm—J. C. Palmer		465	13.95
Perris Valley—John A. Hanson		485	29.10
Hemet-San Jacinto—C. A. Carpenter and Wife		504	30.24
Glen Avon—Harold Goodman and Wife		471	28.26
Sacramento County			
Valley Oaks—Ben Gaub and Wife		136	8.16
Orange Vale—Elmer Binning and Wife		180	10.80
Sacramento—B. T. Decker and Wife		158	9.48
Elk Grove—Sara L. Riley and Husband		145	8.70
San Benito County			
Hollister—Dr. W. E. Parker and Wife		50	3.00
Aromas—Ted Hansen and Wife		30	1.80
San Benito—Althea Slibsager and Husband		35	2.10
San Bernardino County			
Hinkley Valley—Roy T. Hill		392	11.76
Adelanto—Victor L. Gamble and Wife		400	24.00
Yucaipa Valley—John P. Greven and Wife		458	27.48
Lucerne Valley—M. Hillman and Husband		440	26.40
Fonbloom—Joseph S. McClelland and Wife		440	26.40
Oro Grande—Earl Page and Wife		420	25.20
Del Rosa—Earl W. Kerr and Wife		435	26.10
Apple Valley—A. E. Martinson and Wife		425	25.50
Phelan—Ed R. Wilkinson and Wife		400	24.00
Muscovy—Otho Wood		430	12.90
Hesperia—Edith Powell		420	12.60
San Diego County			
San Marcos—Albert N. Chamness and Wife		476	28.56
Ramona—James Dukes		520	15.60
Vista—W.G. LaCaille and Wife		490	14.70
Rainbow Valley—Sybil Masheeco		497	14.91
Encinitas—B. L. Westbrook and Wife		490	29.40
Valley Center—James J. Smith		510	30.60
Lakeside—Henry Warsham		550	33.00
San Joaquin County			
French Camp—Christine Pyle		120	3.60
Lockford—Marshall W. Fisher and Wife		129	7.74
Escalon—S. P. Vandervoort and Wife		120	7.20
Ripon—C. L. Fogle		100	3.00
Woodbridge—Dell Judge		130	3.90

Grange	Name	Miles	Amount
San Luis Obispo County			
El Paso De Robles—Ernest Nelson and Wife	139	8.34	
San Luis Obispo—Attilio Brovelli	200	6.00	
Estrella—Clarence T. Rougeot and Wife	160	9.60	
Atascadero—Inez Hamann	155	4.65	
Triangle—Lillian E. Sylvester	216	12.96	
San Mateo County			
East Palo Alto—Dortha M. Hill	50	1.50	
Santa Barbara County			
Los Alamos—Henry J. Dull	230	6.90	
Santa Ynez Valley—Lottie Browning	225	6.75	
Lompoc Valley—Owen E. Hollister	248	7.44	
Santa Clara County			
San Jose—John H. Peterson and Wife	35	2.10	
Almaden—E. M. Standish and Wife	30	1.80	
Morgan Hill—R. M. Szymanski and Wife	45	2.70	
Coyote—Andrew R. Costa	50	1.50	
Mountain View—Christine O. Ainsworth and Husband	45	2.70	
Sunnyvale—Ida Opperman	45	1.35	
Orchard City—J. C. Gordon and Wife	35	2.10	
Santa Cruz County			
Madonna—Duff C. Galletly and Wife	25	1.50	
Corralitos—Margaret Bradley	20	.60	
Shasta County			
Mt. Lassen—Audrey Boone	300	9.00	
Anderson—Rose Dubecker	311	9.33	
Millville—Hilda S. Atkins and Husband	321	19.26	
McArthur—C. C. Hollenbeak and Wife	394	23.64	
Castle—Charles Biegeman and Wife	420	25.20	
Siskiyou County			
Scott Valley—Robert Tuttle	506	15.18	
Mt. Bolivar—Rodney Gregg	430	12.90	
Hornbrook—John A. Duncan and Wife	478	28.68	
Greenhorn—Mrs. Vayne Ralston	407	12.21	
Solano County			
Vacaville—George S. Kirbyson	155	4.65	
Tolenas—Gustav Eittreim	140	4.20	
Dixon—Homer G. Brown and Wife	151	9.60	

Grange	Name	Miles	Amount
Sonoma County			
Bennett Valley—William W. Pisenti	135	4.05	
Petaluma—Thomas A. Fayle	100	3.00	
Cloverdale—W. H. Dilley and Wife	165	9.90	
Sebastopol—Ted Linville and Wife	140	8.40	
Forestville—Anders N. Nielsen	140	4.20	
Rincon Valley—D. E. Wymore	140	4.20	
Windsor—Ernest Bronson and Wife	140	8.40	
Progressive—Paul M. Travis and Wife	150	9.00	
Sonoma Valley—Henry A. Pfalzgraf and Wife	132	7.92	
Bellevue—William L. Gray and Wife	135	8.10	
Santa Rosa—Minnie Connors and Husband	133	7.98	
Two Rock—H. P. Kristensen	145	4.35	
Stanislaus County			
Turlock—William R. Fernandes	115	3.45	
Wood Colony—Claire W. Hilliker and Wife	120	7.20	
Waterford—Burr Sinclear and Wife	140	8.40	
Keyes—Chas. H. Austin and Wife	115	6.90	
Dry Creek—C. J. Scott and Wife	120	7.20	
Oakdale—Fred N. Merrihew and Wife	130	7.80	
Modesto—Edward L. Ehrler and Wife	125	7.50	
Stanislaus-Mt. View—J a c k Sinclear and Wife	120	7.20	
Prescott—J. G. Johnson and Wife	116	6.96	
Empire—Herbert Johnson and Wife	140	8.40	
Gratton—Alton W. Rexin and Wife	135	8.10	
Ceres—Everett L. Fountain	120	3.60	
Sutter County			
General Sutter—W. D. Mangells and Wife	230	13.80	
Live Oak—Parker W. Wilbur and Wife	220	13.20	
Tehama County			
West Side—Rolin M. Eslinger and Wife....	285	17.10	
El Camino—Melvin C. Rowen and Wife....	265	15.90	
Los Molinos—Chas. Conway	250	7.50	
Independent—Mabel E. Grieve	250	7.50	
Maywood—Lou Olive Guilford	250	7.50	
Trinity County			
Trinity Valley—Henry S. Seely and Wife	425	25.50	

Grange	Name	Miles	Amount
Tulare County			
Dinuba—Hattie Leibau and Husband	190	11.40	
Farmersville—S. F. Land and Wife	220	13.20	
Alpaugh—John Coke	246	7.38	
Poplar—Ira Anthony and Wife	225	13.50	
Tulare—A. P. Kirkpatrick	200	6.00	
Earlimart—Herbert H. Kramer	240	7.20	
Tuolumne County			
Sonora—Albert Falk	150	4.50	
Ventura County			
La Avenida—Ernest A. Payton and Wife	310	18.60	
Ojai Valley—Frank L. Eakin and Wife	321	19.26	
Yolo County			
Western Yolo—Norman Billing	185	5.55	
Yuba County			
Brownsville—L. W. Higgins and Wife	238	14.28	
New Grange			
Porterville—Victor V. Bowker and Wife,			
Mileage and per diem		20.10	

POMONA GRANGES

Grange	Name	Miles	Amount
Kings—Jos. W. Thomas and Wife	196	11.76	
Kern—Frances B. Smith	240	7.20	
Santa Clara—A. L. Christopher and Wife	50	3.00	
Del Norte—Mary E. Glover	446	13.38	
Orange—Lida Wardlow	422	12.66	
Tehama—L. F. Carpenter and Wife	265	15.90	
Riverside—Frank G. Whitmore and Wife	450	27.00	
Napa—Allen Lindebeck and Wife	132	7.92	
Sonoma—Wellington Hiatt and Wife	165	9.90	
Tulare—A. T. Lively and Wife	220	13.20	
Butte—E. L. Holmes	250	7.50	
San Diego—D. E. Martin and Wife	487	29.20	
Solano—Essie G. Grannucci	140	4.20	
Merced—Ed. W. Kling and Wife	120	7.20	

Grange	Name	Miles	Amount
Fresno—Albert W. Stone and Wife		185	11.10
Stanislaus—Albert H. Bolter		110	3.30
Antelope Valley—E. Y. Rinker and Wife		360	21.60
Humboldt—L. H. Valentine and Wife		377	22.62
Santa Barbara—Harry Nott and Wife		230	13.80
Placer-Nugget—W. C. Campbell		220	6.60
San Joaquin—G. H. Campbell and Wife		120	7.20
San Bernardino—Hallie Hansen and Wife		440	26.40
Los Angeles—Geo. W. Bode and Wife		385	23.10
Lassen—Hiram J. Clark and Wife		400	24.00
Siskiyou—Howard Parker and Wife		430	25.80
Yolo—Willard F. Smith		180	5.40
Shasta-Trinity—Hugh W. Carpenter and Wife		396	23.76
Sutter—James P. Brown		225	6.75
Mojave Valley—William G. Tyler and Wife		400	24.00
Sacramento—Thomas McBride and Wife		175	10.50
San Fernando Valley—William Anderson....		350	10.50
Mendocino Lake—J. E. Carlson and wife		245	14.70
San Luis Obispo—Rubie Alberti and Hus- band		200	12.00

LECTURERS

Grange	Name	Miles	Amount
Hinkley Valley—Thelma Gwin		382	11.46
Paradise—Mildred Foster		300	9.00
Andersen Valley—Sylvie Hulbert		166	4.98
San Joaquin County-Pomona—Charles E. Adams		120	3.60
Atascadero—Sirell C. Perrine		150	4.50
Indian Valley—Mary A. Wing		320	9.60
Estrella—Theresa G. Allen		140	4.20
Wildflower—Myrtle Krantz Koen		353	10.59
Yucaipa Valley—Edvige Smith		456	13.68
Sonoma Valley—Lila Hoover		137	4.11
Cherry Valley—Blanche Van Dellen		468	14.04
Orland—Grace V. Naugle		250	7.50
Delano—Laurita Boone		250	7.50
Poplar—Lena Baker		225	6.75
Live Oak—Grace O. McHenry		221	6.63
Central—Dorothy Oliver		165	4.95

Grange	Name	Miles	Amount
Parkfield—	Sylvia M. Harlan	187	5.61
Hesperia—	Viola M. Hoehlke	420	12.60
Selma—	Sue G. Hutcherson	160	4.80
San Jose—	Ida F. Skow	30	.90
Redwood—	Virginia Walden	377	11.31
Mt. Lassen—	Leola Meyer	300	9.00
Gratton—	Vera Bryson	140	4.20
Santa Rosa—	Mabel A. Woodward	135	4.05
Alderpoint—	Daisy W. Richmond	290	8.70
Jacinto—	Edythe Mapes	250	7.50
Del Norte Pomona—	Ethel Goodlin	462	13.86
Glen Avon—	Pearl M. Daniels	450	13.50
Palm—	Evelyn Palmer	465	13.95
Riverside County Pomona—	Fay M. Wilson	470	14.10
Alessandro Valley—	Louise Rivard	485	14.55
Rubidoux—	Anna H. Lerner	472	14.16
Celusa County Pomona—	Helen Dopkins	200	6.00
Mojave Valley Pomona—	Mabel R. Dewett	420	12.60
Fonbloom—	Grace Duns Moor	440	13.20
Apple Valley—	Grace Dennison	425	12.75
Del Rosa—	Bernice Cacka	435	13.05

DEPUTIES

Name	County	Mileage	and per diem
Merle Mensinger—	San Joaquin	120	\$15.20
Ruth Dye—	Santa Cruz		8.00
F. R. Davis—	San Bernardino	460	35.60
Thomas Eide—	Monterey	45	10.70
Carl Ryser—	Santa Clara	30	9.80
John Berg—	Placer	212	20.72
J. R. Goodson—	Merced	120	15.20
James B. Frost—	Ventura	321	27.26
Robert Wardlow—	Orange	422	33.32
A. Brucker—	Napa	150	17.00
Charles W. Glover—	Del Norte	446	26.76
Wayne O. Ralston—	Siskiyou	407	32.41
A. C. Smith—	Sonoma County	135	16.10
Vincent Granucci—	Solano	140	16.40
H. C. Harding—	San Diego	489	37.34
P. F. Hillwig—	San Bernardino	420	33.20
Dovie Freeman—	San Luis Obispo	140	16.40

Grange	Name	Miles	Amount
J. E. Gange—Tulare		235	22.10
L. C. Lattin—Butte		236	22.16
Marshall Dopkins—Colusa		400	20.00
Cecil M. Turner—Humboldt		400	32.00
H. A. Dickey—Mendocino		220	21.20
O. M. Davis—Fresno		158	17.48
J. W. Wilson—Sutter		420	20.60

POMONA HOME ECONOMICS CHAIRMEN

County	Name	Miles	Amount
Butte—Alice N. Gobin		300	\$ 9.00
Sonoma—Myrtle Bowie		130	3.90
Mendocino—Roberta A. Harvey		217	6.51
Yolo—Janey A. Smith		180	5.40
San Bernardino—Amelia D. Johnstone		440	13.20
Humboldt—Lida Pohler		390	11.70
Orange—Della M. Walker		422	12.66
Fresno—Edna K. Hardman		155	4.65
Los Angeles—Maxine Hovious		385	11.55
San Bernardino—Frances B. McAllister		420	12.60
San Luis Obispo—Neva Beecham		178	5.34
Santa Clara—Effie M. Spencer		33	.99
Tehama—Nadine U. Davis		250	7.50
Kings—Nellie E. Dyer		196	5.88
Shasta Trinity—Nora M. Selvester		396	11.88

STATE SUPERINTENDENT OF JUVENILES

Cordie M. Hannah	\$15.95
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STATE HOME ECONOMICS CHAIRMAN

Mabel Glenn	\$21.95
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DISTRICT HOME ECONOMICS CHAIRMEN

Mayme Hill	\$30.86
Emma A. Michalk	19.45
Margaret Stewart	36.36

Grange	Name	Miles	Amount
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JUVENILE MATRONS

Lucile Williams, 135 miles	\$	4.05
Eva Wilkins, 275 miles		8.25

STATE OFFICERS

Office	Name	Mileage and Hotel
Overseer—Ed Koster (State Deputy)		None
Lecturer—Hilda L. Atkins		\$34.26
Steward—Ed Hill		40.86
Assistant Steward—W. G. LaCaille		49.40
Chaplain—Leta Littler		39.00
Treasurer—M. T. Hunt		39.30
Secretary—Celia Harding		41.91
Gate Keeper—J. W. Anderson		24.20
Ceres—Estelle Mensinger		22.20
Pomona—May Schmidt		20.70
Flora—Vera I. Blakeley		42.48
Lady Assistant Steward—Margaret Robinson		26.70
Pianist—Claudine Holmes		32.50

RECAPITULATION

Subordinate Granges	\$2,640.96
New Subordinate Grange	20.10
Pomona Granges	463.15
Lecturers	333.48
Deputies	526.95
State Officers	413.51
State Home Economics Chairman	21.95
Superintendent of Juveniles	15.95
Pomona Home Economics Chairmen	122.76
Juvenile Matrons	12.30
District Home Economics Chairmen	86.67
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Respectfully submitted,

HARRY BARNES
CARL RYSER
HARRY SCHMIDT

FRIDAY MORNING

At eight o'clock a. m. the convention hall was turned over to the ladies of the Home Economics Club, and their annual breakfast was served in the main auditorium, with 400 being served. Sister Mabel Glenn, State Chairman of Home Economics, was in charge. Brother Ray Gill, Past Master of Oregon State Grange and National Executive committeeman, was an honored guest, as was our Worthy State Master.

Following the breakfast, the floor was cleared, and State Grange reconvened at 10:00 A. M. Grange was opened in regular form. "Onward Christian Soldiers" was the opening song, followed by the presentation of the flag, with Sister Effie Spencer, Santa Clara County, as flag bearer.

Roll call of officers found all present except Executive Committee Member George Critchett.

The Journal of the previous day was read and approved.

Brother Ray Gill, who was leaving for the National Convention very shortly, addressed the delegate body, expressing his appreciation for the courtesies shown him. He emphasized the need for cooperation in agriculture during the years ahead, and warned the delegate body against accepting an agricultural program written by theorists without regard for practical difficulties and uncertainties which surround the farmer.

Brother Charles George made a final report of the Elections Committee, with the results as follows:

Gate Keeper—J. W. Anderson.

Lady Assistant Steward—Margaret Robinson.

Pianist—Will Campbell.

Executive Committeeman—Merle Mensinger.

The Worthy State Master declared each officer duly elected. The Committee was dismissed with thanks for a difficult task well done.

Credit Union Committee Chairman Ed Milldrum reporting. Report embodies that portion of the Master's address dealing with Credit Unions.

REPORT OF CREDIT UNION COMMITTEE

Worthy Master, Brothers and Sisters:

At the close of another Grange year, the State Grange Credit Union Committee offers its sincere thanks to the Worthy State Master and the State Grange Executive Committee for their continued cooperation in our work. We wish to express our appreciation to Mr. Jarratt for the excellent publicity given us in the Grange News. Mr. Clarence Murphy, of the California Credit Union League, and Mr. Erdis W. Smith of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation have also been very helpful. We are particularly grateful to Mr. Smith, who on very short notice was kind enough to come to Santa Cruz to bring a credit union message to this convention.

The committee is happy to report that we now have fifteen Grange Credit Unions in California, with assets of \$140,000. These credit unions have financed Grange halls, have assisted their members in the production of food stuffs for the war effort, have made loans for the purchase of war bonds, and helped in sudden personal emergencies. We look forward to even more usefulness in the post-war period. We plan to work closely with our members to enable them to take advantage of the savings made possible by cash purchases from the Grange Business Organization. As outlined in that portion of the State Master's Annual Report referring to credit unions, the possibilities of usefulness to Grange members are unlimited.

Two credit union conferences have been held during this convention. At the first of these, Mr. Erdis W. Smith, of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, was the speaker, and gave the credit union officers present valuable information and help in credit union education and promotion.

At the second conference, which was attended by officers of ten Grange Credit Unions, it was brought out that much more could be accomplished if Grange Credit Unions could cooperate in the exchange of information and the solution of problems. To this end, it was planned to organize an association of Grange Credit Unions, to be known as the California Grange Credit Union Association. Each Grange credit union in the State will be represented, and monthly contact will be established. We hope also to use this organization to promote new Grange Credit Unions in the State.

The Committee again recommends that Credit Union activities at the Convention be included in the official printed program. We hope the Worthy State Lecturer will include the credit union movement in her program suggestions to Lecturers of Subordinate Granges, and offer our assistance in planning such programs.

The Committee thanks the California State Grange for the privilege of serving the members.

Respectfully submitted,

ED MILLDRUM

MILDRED S. BOYD

The report of the Committee was adopted and the State Master expressed his gratitude for the splendid work done by this committee.

Sister Cordie M. Hannah, State Juvenile Superintendent, was introduced and presented the following report:

STATE JUVENILE SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

To the Worthy Master, Officers and Members of the California State Grange, The Juvenile Granges of California send Greetings:

Now that the war has ceased the Juvenile children in California have contributed their bit. Many tons of paper have been collected, tin foil, fats and tin cans gathered. With the proceeds they bought war stamps and bonds in the name of their Grange. Also sold several thousand dollars worth of bonds. They donated freely to the Red Cross. During vacation they helped in the production of food. They planted Victory Gardens for home use and helped in planting and harvesting of fruit and vegetables for commercial use. In the National Garden Contest edited by Mrs. Margaret H. Caldwell, National Superintendent, Henry Michalk of Farmersville Juvenile Grange is competing in this contest. An essay on "My Juvenile Grange Garden Project" is included in this contest. Awards both State and National will be awarded.

Our quota of new granges for the year 1945 set by the National Master was 5 but we went over the top and or-

ganized 12, 10 new and 2 re-organized which are as follows:

October 11, Mt. Lassen was organized by Brother Leo H. Parks in Shasta County.

December 22, McArthur was organized by Brother Leo H. Parks in Shasta County.

December 31, Greenhorn was organized by Brother W. L. Kleaver in Siskiyou County.

February 3, '45, Chico was re-organized by Brother Edwin Koster in Butte County.

February 14, Mt. Bolivar was organized by Brother Wayne O. Ralston in Siskiyou County.

February 17, Ojai was organized by Brother James B. Frost in Ventura County.

February 21, Fort Bragg was organized by Brother H. A. Dickey in Mendocino County.

February 10, Mattole was organized by Brother Merle Hackett in Humboldt County.

March 16, Mt. Vernon was organized by Brother John I. Berg in Placer County.

April 14, Anderson was re-organized by Brother Leo H. Parks in Shasta County.

July 2, Sebastopol was organized by Brother A. C. Smith in Sonoma County.

August 2, Del Rosa was organized by Brother F. R. Davis, San Bernardino County.

Four counties have just started in Juvenile work this year and I hope others will follow.

Five conference trips were made this year which are proving very beneficial.

The State Project this year among our Juveniles is making a scrap book of wild flowers native to California, which are on display at this convention.

The Juvenile Granges of California want to do their part in contributing to the State Building Fund so are donating pennies by the pint, the amount will be announced later.

Monthly bulletins are continuing to go out to all Matrons and Patrons in California.

Farmersville and McArthur Juvenile Granges have made application for the Achievement Contest and will receive honor certificates this year.

On account of paper shortage the Juvenile page in the Grange News has been ommitted but we hope it will not

be long before we will have it again.

Prospects for new Juvenile Granges in California are good for 1946 and I hope we will organize just as many as we did in 1945 or more.

I wish to thank all the deputies who made it possible to make such splendid gain in Juvenile Granges this year.

I recommend that the same appropriation be continued by the State Grange to carry on this Juvenile work.

Fraternally submitted,

CORDIE M. HANNAH,
Superintendent of Juvenile Granges

Moved, seconded and carried that the same finances be allowed Juvenile work as last year.

Chairman Ed Kling of the Agricultural Committee made a partial report for his committee. Report will be found under final and complete report of committee.

Chairman Marshall Dopkins of the Marketing Committee made a complete report for his committee as follows:

MARKETING COMMITTEE REPORT

Committee Resolution No. 1

WHEREAS, the present methods of marketing perishable agricultural products is a dangerous and unprofitable practice for the producer,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the California State Grange vigorously supports the movement of F. O. B. prices for California producers and that all producers be urged not to ship perishable products on consignment. Adopted.

MARKETING COMMITTEE DECLARATION OF POLICY

We, the Marketing Committee, heartily endorse the following:

1. Opposition to government regulations detrimental to insuring efficient farm operation. Adopted.

2. Reaffirm the policy of establishment and operation of co-operative producer-consumer markets. Adopted.

3. A protective tariff assuring California agriculture an American standard of living. Adopted.

4. Encourage the use of Grange Credit Unions as a means of financing producers wherever possible. Adopted.

5. The recommendations in the Worthy State Master's annual address, relative to the shipment of perishable agricultural products on an F. O. B. basis, urging all producers to sell at F. O. B. prices. Adopted.

Fraternally submitted,

MARSHALL DOPKINS
CHARLES W. GLOVER
L. L. THRELKEL
A. W. STONE
MORRIS E. CRANE

The State Master dismissed the Committee with thanks.
Grange recessed at 12:30 P. M. to reconvene at 2:00 P. M.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON

Chairman Ed Kling reported for the Agricultural Committee.

AGRICULTURAL COMMITTEE REPORT

(Complete Report)

1 Ag 1—Supporting Full Employment Bill. Do pass as re-written. Adopted.

2 Ag 2—Land for Veterans. Substitute resolution by committee. Adopted.

3 Ag 3—Control of Bangs Disease and Undulant Fever. Re-written by committee. Adopted.

6 Ag 6—Bounty on Coyote Scalps. Combined with No. 14. Committee wrote resolution covering both. Adopted.

7 Ag 7—Sugar Allotment. Do pass as amended. Moved by Brother Knight that the original resolution be substituted for the report of the committee. Seconded and carried. Resolution adopted in its original form.

9 Ag 9—Repeal of Price Regulations and Production Control. Moved by Brother Davis, seconded by Brother Wynn that the resolution be referred to committee for re-writing. Motion carried.

4 Ag 4—Family sized Farms from Crop Production Controls. Do pass as amended. Adopted.

5 Ag 5—Requesting Transfer of Range Land from Forest Service to the Bureau of Animal Industry. Same as No. 15.

9 Ag 9—Price control. Covered in Legislation No. 11. Tabled in committee. Sustained.

11 Ag 11—Transfer Domestic Rabbit Control. Do pass as amended. Adopted.

12 Ag 12—Lily Bulb Tariff. Do pass. Amended from floor. Adopted.

13 Ag 13—Control of Klamath Weed. Do pass as amended. Adopted.

19 Ag 19—Post-War Problems. Tabled in committee. Sustained.

Resolution handed to committee—Experimental Station. Do pass as amended. Adopted.

Resolution handed to committee—Livestock Control. Do pass. Adopted.

Committee Resolution No. 1. Do pass. Adopted.

8 Ag 8—Protecting Fruit Grazing for Smaller Cattle-men. Combined with Ag No. 15.

14 Ag 14—Use of Funds for Predatory Animal Control. Combined No. 6 and No. 14.

15 Ag 15—Requesting Transfer of Range Land from Forest Service to the Bureau of Animal Industry. Tabled from floor.

16 Ag 16—Guaranteeing Pullorum Free Chicks. Combined with No. 10.

10 Ag 10—Pullorum Free Chicks. Combined with Ag No. 16. Substitute resolution by committee. Adopted.

17 Ag 17—Including Noxious Weed Control in Post-War Program. Do pass as amended. Adopted.

18 Ag 18—Removing Requirement for Producer for Fluid Milk. Do pass as amended. Adopted.

Committee resolution No. 2—Continue Lend Lease 1 year. Do pass. Defeated.

This completed the report of the Agricultural Committee. The State Master dismissed the Committee with thanks, expressing his gratitude for their work.

Inez Hamann, Chairman, reporting for Committee on Education.

COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION REPORT

(Complete Report)

32 Ed 1—Cancer and Infantile Paralysis. Do pass as re-written by committee. Moved, seconded and carried that "Rheumatic Fever" be included in the items for research. Adopted as amended.

33 Ed 2—World-Wide Abolition of Peacetime Military Conscription. Combined with No. 4. Do pass as amended. Adopted.

34 Ed 3—Opposing Peacetime Military Conscription. Do pass. Moved and seconded that the resolution be tabled. Motion lost.

Much discussion followed, and at the request of some of the delegates, Worthy Master Sehlmeier relinquished the Master's Station to Brother Ray Gill and brought the delegate body some information regarding the World Peace Conference which he attended, and regarding the Compulsory Military Training Bill now pending in Congress.

Debate followed, and Brother Sehlmeier offered the following substitute resolution:

WHEREAS, there is a bill pending in Congress providing for compulsory military training in peacetime, and

WHEREAS, we believe that the type of compulsory military training provided for in this bill is detrimental to the democratic principles of the United States

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that California State Grange oppose the bill now pending before Congress.

Moved by Brother Sehlmeier that the substitute resolution be adopted. Motion seconded and carried.

The Worthy Master resumed his station and continued with the report of the Education Committee.

37 Ed 6—Curtailling so-called Progressive Education. Do pass as amended. Adopted.

36 Ed 5—Opposing Totalitarianism. Similar to Leg. No. 1. Referred to Legislative Committee.

Ed 7—Abolishing Foreign Language Schools. Do pass as re-written. Adopted.

Ed 8—Making Secretary of Education Cabinet Officer. Substitute resolution offered by committee. Motion from floor to table. Carried. Resolution tabled.

Ed 9—Raising Draft age to 19 years. Committee recommended do pass as re-written. Motion from floor to table. Carried. Resolution tabled.

Ed 10—Examination of Domestic Water Supplies. Do pass as re-written. Adopted.

Ed 11—Use of Public School Houses in the State of California for Religious Services. No recommendation from committee. Motion from floor to table. Carried. Resolution tabled.

Ed 12—Prohibiting Liquor Licenses Being Issued for Public Buildings. Do pass. Adopted.

Chairman Inez Hamann presented the general report for her committee.

GENERAL REPORT OF THE EDUCATIONAL COMMITTEE

1. This Educational Committee endorses that part of the State Master's address dealing with Peacetime Conscription.

2. As a unifying influence in Grange thought, we recommend that all Lecturers use articles in current issues of the Grange News in the Educational part of each Lecture hour.

3. We recommend better educational opportunities for growing youth in rural districts.

Fraternally submitted,

INEZ HAMANN, Chairman
VIRGINIA JACKSON
WILMA HACKETT
WILLARD SMITH
ALBERT CHAMNESS

H. C. Harding, District Deputy of San Diego County, presented the Worthy Master with a radio controlled war-head from a rocket gun. This piece of warfare is set to explode when it comes within 75 feet of any object.

Grange recessed at 5:30 P. M. to reconvene at 7:30.

EVENING SESSION

Grange reconvened and the session continued.

Brother Jarratt, on behalf of the Deputy Force, presented the Worthy State Master with a gold watch chain. The Master responded graciously.

Brother O. M. Davis, Chairman of the Conservation Committee presented his report.

CONSERVATION COMMITTEE REPORT

(Complete Report)

Committee resolution No. 1 was read, recommending appropriation of funds to construct a transmission line and steam plant for Central Valleys project. Committee recommended, do pass. Committee recommendation adopted.

20 C 1—Preventing Soil Destruction by Dredging. Do pass as amended. Adopted.

21 C 2—Forest Fire Protection. Do pass as amended. Adopted.

22 C 3—Controlling Pine Beetle. Combined with No. 4 and covered by substitute resolution.

24 C 5—Supporting U. S. Bureau of Reclamation. Same as No. 8.

25 C 6—Bears Be Removed from Protected List. Do not pass. Action sustained.

26 C 7—Brush Control Burning Program. Committee wrote substitute resolution. Adopted.

27 C 8—Favoring Building Central Valleys Project by Bureau of Reclamation and Supporting Authority Bill. Do pass as amended. Adopted.

28 C 9—Favoring High Level Dam at Bidwell Bar. Do pass. Adopted.

29 C 10—Supporting Local Control of Water Resources. Tabled in Committee. Sustained.

30 C 11—Supporting High Level Dam on Putah Creek. Committee wrote substitute resolution. Adopted.

31 C 12—Opposing Construction of Low Level Dam. Tabled in Committee. Sustained.

Special Conservation Resolution No. 2 Regarding Low Level Dams for Flood Control. Do pass. Adopted.

Special Conservation No. 3. Pine Flat Project. Do pass. Adopted.

Special Conservation No. 4. Central Valleys Project. Do pass. Adopted.

CONSERVATION COMMITTEE DECLARATION
OF POLICY

(Statement Of Policy Of The Conservation Committee)

1. We believe that no project for the conservation of water or power in the State of California should be undertaken such as extended service ditches, etc. by the State

unless it is financed by Revenue Bonds thereby placing no burden on the property.

2. That all irrigation and power projects should be built by the Bureau of Reclamation for the benefit of all the people in the State.

3. We ask that the California State Grange endeavor to get the State Railroad Commission to have the figures released at all times of the amount of money spent by Corporate interests in opposing the Central Valley Project.

4. We reaffirm our position on the family-sized farms.

5. We advocate that the California State Grange continually work for the development of these Natural Resources by the Reclamation Bureau, building dams, transmission lines and canals or any other development necessary to bring this or any other development to the people.

O. M. DAVIS, Chairman

E. L. HOLMES

RHODA V. KEEFER

E. Y. RINKER

HATTIE LIEBAU

The Conservation Committee Declaration of Policy was adopted. Brother Davis thanked his committee for their work, and the State Master expressed his appreciation for the work of the committee and dismissed the committee with thanks.

A. L. Christopher, Chairman, reported for the Legislative Committee.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

(Complete Report)

43 L 1—Opposing Totalitarianism. Do pass. Adopted.

44 L 2—Registration of Lobbyists. Do pass as amended. Adopted.

45 L 3—Solving Japanese Problem. Committee resolution substituted for L 3, L 4, and resolution submitted by Vacaville Grange, L 10. Committee resolution reaffirming stand of last year. Adopted.

47 L 5—Creating Liquor Control Board. Do pass as re-written. Adopted.

48 L 6—Enlistment for Military Service. Do pass as re-written. Adopted.

49 L 7—Maintaining Immigration Restrictions. Do pass. Adopted.

50 L 8—Manufacture of Work Clothes. Tabled in Committee. Sustained.

51 L 9—Farm Lands For Veterans. Substitute resolution by committee. Do pass. Adopted.

53 L 11—Continuing Price Control to Prevent Inflation. Do pass. Adopted.

54 L 12—Supporting State Financed Medical Services. Divided by Committee into two substitute resolutions, to be known as No. 12 and No. 12-A. No. 12. Tabled in Committee. Sustained. No. 12-A. Do pass. Adopted.

55 L 13—Opening County Hospitals to Pay Patients. Committee resolution substituted. Adopted.

56 L 14—Changing Minimum Draft Age to Nineteen Years. Assigned to Committee on Education.

57 L 15—Opposing Abandoning DeWitt Hospital. Committee resolution substituted. Adopted.

58 L 16—Railroad Rates. Tabled in Committee. Sustained.

Special Resolution No. 1. Do pass as amended. Adopted.

Committee Resolution No. 1. Do pass. Adopted.

Committee Resolution No. 2—Surplus War Commodities. Do pass. Adopted.

Committee Resolution No. 3—Post-War Trends. Do pass. Adopted.

Committee Resolution No. 4—United Nations Charter. Do pass. Adopted.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

We, the undersigned Legislative committee of the 1945 session of the California State Grange having analyzed the portions of our Master's annual address assigned to us, namely, surplus war commodities, post-war trends, and the United Nations Charter, can only praise and commend our Worthy State Master for his careful analyses and foresight in the above named subjects.

A. L. CHRISTOPHER, Chairman
H. T. LIVELY
ROBERT WARDLOW
HALLIE HANSEN
HUGH CARPENTER
J. A. FAYLE

The report of the Committee was adopted and the Committee was dismissed with thanks.

Chairman Ralph Banfill, of the Roads and Highways Committee presented the report for his committee.

REPORT OF ROADS AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE

63 R. H. 1—Unification of Traffic Signals. Do pass. Adopted.

64 R. H. 2—Improving County Roads. Do pass as amended. Adopted.

Late resolution—Highway Improvement. Do pass as amended. Adopted.

Special resolution No. 1. Highway Problems. Do pass as amended. Adopted.

Special resolution No. 2. Do not pass. Committee recommendation sustained.

The State Master dismissed the Committee and expressed his gratitude for their work.

Vayne Ralston, Chairman of the Taxation Committee reported as follows:

REPORT OF TAXATION COMMITTEE

(Complete Report)

59 Tax 1—Repealing Automobile Tax. Re-written by Committee. Do pass. Adopted.

60 Tax 2—Repealing Automobile Tax. Covered by No. 1.

61 Tax 3—Deducting Depreciation of Farm from Income Tax. Do pass. Adopted.

62 Tax 4—Taxing Mineral Rights Withheld by Seller of Real Estate. Do pass. Adopted.

RECOMMENDATION OF THE TAXATION COMMITTEE

Plan No. 1—That the lowering of Federal Income Taxes should not be too great until the budget is nearer balanced.

Plan No. 2—That the State Sales Tax be reduced in proportion as the surplus funds accumulate from this tax.

Plan No. 3—and that the governor's veto of the three per cent Gross Receipt Tax levied against contract truckers which was passed at the last session of the legislature be sustained.

As the Committee on tax reductions and adjustments in

both houses of Congress are still formulating tax bills to present to Congress for passing, this Committee recommends that when tax bills are finally presented to Congress the bills most beneficial to agriculture in the judgement of the State Master and Executive Committee be supported as State and National Grange policy.

VAYNE O. RALSTON, Chairman
TOM McBRIDE
WM. TYLER
W. S. LONG
JOHN HANSEN

The recommendations of the Committee were adopted and the State Master dismissed the Committee with thanks.

State Master Sehlmeier surrendered his station to Brother Harry Barnes who presided in his absence.

Good of the Order Chairman, August Brucker, reporting.

38 GO 1—Contribution by State Grange when Grange Hall is Free of Debt. Do not pass. Sustained.

39 GO 2—Permitting Subordinate Granges to Suspend Members for Non-attendance. Do not pass. Sustained.

40 GO 3—Changing Pomona Grange Dues. Do not pass. Sustained.

41 GO 4—Changing Period for Payment of State Master's Salary. Do pass. Adopted.

42 GO 5—Increasing Quarterly Dues to State Grange. Do pass as amended. Adopted.

No. 1—Resolution handed Committee—History of State Grange. Tabled in Committee. Sustained.

No. 2—Resolution handed Committee—Youth Grange. Tabled in Committee. Sustained.

No. 3—Resolution handed Committee—Increasing State Master's Salary \$100.00 per month. Tabled in Committee. Sustained.

No. 4—Resolution handed Committee—Increasing State Master's Salary \$50.00 per month. Do pass. Adopted.

Moved by Brother Holmes, seconded and carried, that we reconsider action on Resolution handed Good of the Order Committee No. 4.

Moved, seconded and carried that Resolution No. 4 handed Committee be amended to read \$100.00 per month instead of \$50.00 per month. Amendment adopted.

Moved by Brother Parker, seconded by Brother Bigeman that we amend our State Constitution to conform to the action of the delegate body. Motion carried.

GENERAL REPORT OF THE GOOD OF THE ORDER COMMITTEE

Regarding that portion of the State Master's Address referred to this committee for consideration by the committee on Division of Labor.

INSURANCE—We find that the Grange Fire Insurance Association reports a very successful year and we recommend that Grange members take advantage of its low rate of insurance.

GRANGERS BUSINESS ORGANIZATION—this Grange Organization has paid almost \$60,000 in dividends to its participating members for this year and therefore, we believe it is entitled to more support from our Grange members.

JUVENILE GRANGES—Juvenile Granges have made a splendid record this year and trust that all Deputies cooperate with Sister Hannah, State Juvenile Superintendent, in stimulating interest in this program.

HOME ECONOMICS—We approve the splendid record that the State Home Economics Committee has made this year and we believe every Grange sister in the State may have a pardonable pride in the fine work done by this committee.

STATE GRANGE BUILDING FUND—Every Granger knows that a State Grange Building, located in the Capitol of California, will add to the prestige of the Grange. Therefore, every Granger should make a determined effort to help achieve that goal by 1947, our Diamond Jubilee year.

GRANGE NEWS—We believe that plans should be developed by the Executive Committee for expansion of the Grange News.

CALIFORNIA STATE GRANGE LIVESTOCK FOUNDATION—We recommend that the Executive Committee give serious thought to this plan as proposed this year, particularly as we see no need for the proposed Journal of Husbandry.

In conclusion we wish to compliment our State Master for his fearless, progressive and constructive leadership.

Fraternally submitted,

A. BRUCKER, Chairman

MRS. PANSY MARTIN

MRS. KITTIE VAN HORN

H. J. CLARK

WELLINGTON E. HIATT

The Committee was dismissed with thanks.

The State Master resumed his station and Brother W. E. Parker reported for the Resolution Committee and presented the following Committee resolution:

REPORT OF THE RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

WHEREAS, the 73rd annual session of the California State Grange has met, November 6 to 9 inclusive in the auditorium in the city of Santa Cruz, and

WHEREAS, on short notice and at a time when the local fall harvest was at its height, and Pomona and Subordinate Granges of Santa Cruz County have graciously extended their hospitality in preparing for our first convention in a world of peace, unselfishly putting forth their efforts in view of the fact that this area was apparently the only location for our State Grange session, and

WHEREAS, we have met with unstinting cooperation on every hand,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the California State Grange express its deepest appreciation and gratitude to all whose time and efforts have helped to make this 73rd Annual Session a success, and especially to:

The County First National Bank.

The Cox Electric Company.

Santa Clara County Pomona Degree Team.

Press of Santa Cruz and Watsonville.

Churches of Santa Cruz.

Senator R. H. Judah, Santa Cruz Convention Bureau.

Colonel Murphy, Secretary of the Santa Cruz Chamber of Commerce and the young women of the office force of that office.

Tony, the genial janitor and stage manager of the auditorium.

Norman Waters, Music Director of the Santa Cruz High School.

Members of the High School string ensemble and many others not especially mentioned in this resolution, whose generosity, courtesy and consideration have made this session of the California State Grange one long to be remembered.

Fraternally,

DR. W. E. PARKER, Jr., Chairman
RUTH DYE

The resolution was adopted and given hearty applause.

It was moved, seconded and carried that the last day's session be approved by the State Executive Committee.

The State Officers surrendered their stations, and an installation team composed of Sisters Ruth Dye, Installing Officer; Mildred Spain, Marshall; Olive Hamisch, Regalia Bearer; Ellen Stump, Presiding Officer; and Brother Russell Spain, Emblem Bearer; Claudine Holmes, Musician; installed the officers of the California State Grange. In spite of the late hour, a large delegation stayed to witness the splendid and impressive work done by the team.

As the session drew to a close, the Worthy Master commended the Delegate Body for the clear headed manner in which it had handled the issues before it, and looked forward to a year in which the California State Grange would write history.

All present joined in forming the Patrons' Chain; "God Be With You Till We Meet Again" was sung, and as Grange closed in regular form, the 73rd Annual Session of the California State Grange came to an end at 4:30 A. M.

Fraternally submitted,

CELIA M. HARDING, Secretary
California State Grange

AGRICULTURAL COMMITTEE RESOLUTIONS

RES. NO. 1—AGRICULTURE NO. 1
SUPPORTING FULL EMPLOYMENT BILL
Sonoma Valley Grange
(As Re-written)

WHEREAS, in order to insure a prosperous market for farm products it is necessary the buying power of full employment be continued, and

WHEREAS, it is highly improbable that private industry will absorb both the returning Service Men and those war workers who are no longer needed in war industries,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that California State Grange support a program assuring full employment through the concerted effort of Agriculture, Industry and Labor.

RES. NO. 1—AGRICULTURE No. 2

LAND FOR VETERANS
(Substitute Resolution By Committee)

WHEREAS, California State Grange has always advocated the family sized farm

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that California State Grange ask Governor Warren and the State Legislature to work out a plan whereby Veterans can obtain good farm lands at a fair price.

RES. NO. 3—AGRICULTURE NO. 3
CONTROLLING BANGS DISEASE AND
UNDULENT FEVER

Riverside County Pomona Grange
(As Re-Written By Committee)

WHEREAS, in the State of California there is a prevalent amount of Bangs Disease and Undulent Fever

WHEREAS, these diseases jeopardize the live stock and the citizens of the State

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that California State Grange continue their support of the study and control of these diseases.

RES. NO. 4—AGRICULTURE NO. 4
EXCLUDING FAMILY SIZED FARMS FROM
CROP PRODUCTION CONTROLS

Colusa County Pomona Grange
(As Amended)

WHEREAS, at the rate of Agriculture production during wartime has increased to a greater capacity per man hour than at any time in history, and which is certain to create greater surpluses of agriculture products in the post war period to come

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the California State Grange shall to the utmost of their ability see that family sized farms are to be free of surplus crop control.

RES. NO. 7—AGRICULTURE NO. 7

SUGAR ALLOTMENT
Santa Cruz Live Oak Grange

WHEREAS, the amount of sugar allowed for home canning is very inadequate and has resulted in much fruit going to waste, and

WHEREAS, the liquor interests are allowed larger quantities of sugar for liquor manufacture, and

WHEREAS, it is reliably reported that 120 million pounds of sugar have recently been released by our Government for shipment to Spain,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the California State Grange in regular session assembled that this condition is very unfair, and be it further resolved that Congress be asked to conduct an investigation into the sugar situation with a view of releasing an adequate amount of sugar for household use.

RES. NO. 11—AGRICULTURE NO. 11

TRANSFERRING DOMESTIC RABBIT CONTROL TO
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
San Fernando Valley Pomona Grange
(As Amended)

WHEREAS, domestic rabbits are now classified the

same as wild rabbits and are under the control of the Division of Fish and Wild Life, Department of the Interior, and

WHEREAS, this classification operates to the detriment of all domestic rabbit producers as it causes discrimination against the purchase of domestic rabbit meat by Government Agencies, particularly Government hospitals, and

WHEREAS, it is acknowledged by reliable authorities that rabbit meat is equal in quality and value to poultry meat and the meat of domestic animals,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the California State Grange favor transfer of control of domestic rabbits to the Department of Agriculture, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the California State Grange be asked to aid in furthering this legislation.

RES. NO. 12—AGRICULTURE NO. 12

TARIFF ON IMPORTED EASTER LILY BULBS

Del Norte Pomona Grange

(As Amended)

WHEREAS, the growing conditions for the lily bulb industry of Northern California and Southern Oregon are ideal, and

WHEREAS, this area is disease free, and the protection of this industry is imperative, it is necessary to control the importation of diseased and poor quality bulbs,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the California State Grange take the necessary steps to encourage a tariff of \$60.00 per M on imports of the Easter Lily Bulb.

RES. NO. 13—AGRICULTURE NO. 13

CONTROL OF KLAMATH WEED AND PUNCTURE VINE

Ione Grange

(As Amended)

WHEREAS, Klamath Weed and Puncture Vine has become so densely established in the fields, pastures and along the right-of-ways of County Roads and State Highways and it threatens to destroy the future usefulness of such areas, and

WHEREAS, if Klamath Weed and Puncture Vine is not eliminated and controlled it will soon be, and in many cases now is, spreading into the valley areas of our State, and

WHEREAS, the elimination of Klamath Weed and Puncture Vine can be accomplished only by the concerted and simultaneous action of all the property owners in the infected areas, and

WHEREAS, many of the property owners in the heavily infested areas do not care to assume the cost of eliminating the weed; and some property owners are willing and anxious to assume the cost only and if their neighbors are willing to enter into a concerted simultaneous control program,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the California State Grange recommends the following Control Program:

No. 1 The State Department of Agriculture to assign an Inspector to make a survey of the affected areas and to put a control program into effect in said areas.

No. 2 The State Highway Department to control Klamath Weed and Puncture Vine along all right-of-ways.

No. 3 County Boards of Supervisors to control Klamath Weed and Puncture Vine along all County Roads.

No. 4 The California State Legislature to appropriate funds to permit the proper State Departments to put a Control Program into effect.

RES. NO. 17—AGRICULTURE NO. 17

INCLUDING NOXIOUS WEED CONTROL IN POST WAR PROGRAM

Sierra Valley Grange
(As Amended)

WHEREAS, one of the major menaces to California Agriculture is the ever increasing spread of noxious and poisonous weeds, and

WHEREAS, the arranging of worthwhile projects for the Post-war Program is now under way,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the California State Grange take vigorous action to further the inclusion of an extensive weed control program in the Post-war Program.

RES. NO. 18—AGRICULTURE NO. 18
REMOVING REQUIREMENT FOR PRODUCER FOR
FLUID MILK

Sierra Valley Grange
(As Amended)

WHEREAS, the laws of the State of California, governing the production of milk and its products, are steadily being amended so as to eventually force the small producer out of business, and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the California State Grange reaffirm its former position in these matters.

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION COVERING 6 AND 14
AGRICULTURE NO. 6 AND NO. 14

USE OF FUNDS FOR PREDATORY ANIMAL CONTROL

WHEREAS, damage caused by predatory animals is state-wide,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, California State Grange go on record as supporting State-wide payment of bounty.

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION COVERING 10 AND 16
AGRICULTURE NO. 10 AND NO. 16

GUARANTEEING PULLORUM FREE CHICKS

WHEREAS, the loss to the poultry producers from pullorum is the greatest factor,

WHEREAS, the loss could be eliminated to a minimum by the breeders rejecting from their flock any bird which shows by blood test to have this disease.

WHEREAS, Pullorum is a hereditary disease.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that California State Grange favor legislation for the enactment of the law that all chicks and poults sold or delivered to State of California be pullorum free and that hatcheries issue certificates of guarantee.

COMMITTEE NUMBER 1

WHEREAS, Agriculture in marketing its products, is dependent upon maintenance of an efficiently regulated national transportation system, as contemplated by Congress in its declaration of policy, appended to the transportation act of 1940, and

WHEREAS, the long established practices of consultation between carriers, and between shippers and carriers whereby are established necessary joint rates and services under jurisdiction of the Interstate Commerce Commission, are essential to agriculture, and

WHEREAS, Representative Bulwinkle of North Carolina has introduced a bill, HR-2536, enactment of which would remove all doubt of the authority of the Interstate Commerce Commission to, after proper public hearings, authorize or reject necessary agreements between carriers and between shippers and carriers,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the California State Grange hereby endorses the principle of HR-2536 and urges the California delegation in Congress to work for its early enactment. Adopted.

EXPERIMENTAL STATION

WHEREAS, the U. S. Department of Agriculture established an experimental grape growing project near Oakville in the Napa Valley, and

WHEREAS, for the past several years no experimental work has been carried on at said project, and

WHEREAS, experimental work in the growing of grapes would be of great benefit to the grape growers of California,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the California State Grange urge allocation of funds to the U. S. Department of Agriculture to resume this valuable experimental work at Oakville, California.

LIVESTOCK CONTROL

WHEREAS, livestock is being ranged upon private property, and

WHEREAS, said livestock are destroying gardens, fruit-trees, alfalfa, etc., and

WHEREAS, no riders are in attendance of said stock thus permitting them to run at large,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that a herd law be enacted or the present law, if any be enforced.

CONSERVATION RESOLUTIONS

RES. NO. 20—CONSERVATION NO. 1
PREVENTING SOIL DESTRUCTION BY
GOLD DREDGERSAmador-Eldorado Pomona Grange
(As Amended)

WHEREAS, our long and un-remitting fight to control gold dredging debris appears to be bearing fruit,

WHEREAS, four counties of California have shown the courage and business like foresight to adopt ordinances for such control, Stanislaus, Merced, Amador and El Dorado,

WHEREAS, it is urgent that action be taken soon or it will be forever too late, since with the termination of war, hundreds of dredgers will resume operation,

WHEREAS, numerous other counties are considering like action,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that we commend the Supervisors and the people of the four counties named, and all of the many people who have assisted and are still assisting with the fight, we urge other counties affected by dredging to take like action, we re-affirm our determination to fight until we win.

RES. NO. 21—CONSERVATION NO. 2
FOREST FIRE PROTECTIONBerry Creek Grange
(As Amended)

All persons entering any National Forest for the purpose of camping, fishing, or hunting, during the season of high fire hazard, be required to register at the nearest Ranger or Guard Station in the forest which they intend to be.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the California State Grange that the hunting season in District 1, Zone 4, be set 30 days later.

IN LIEU OF RES. 22 AND 23
CONSERVATION NO. 3 AND NO. 4
CONTROLLING PINE BEETLE
(Substitute Resolution)

WHEREAS, the Pine Beetle and other insects and diseases in parts of California are threatening to destroy our forests and the lumber industry,

WHEREAS, the State Forestry Department are doing good work

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the California State Grange request the State Legislature to appropriate enough funds to control and finally eradicate the Pine Beetle and other destructive insects and diseases in California and order the Department of Forestry to proceed at once to abolish this evil and ask U. S. Forest Service to cooperate.

IN LIEU OF RES. NO. 26—CONSERVATION NO. 7

BRUSH CONTROL BURNING PROGRAM
(Substitute Resolution)

WHEREAS, the Timbered areas of California are becoming filled with underbrush, thereby increasing the fire hazard in this State,

WHEREAS, this condition also decreases the amount of government grazing land,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the California State Grange do everything in its power to get the proper State and Governmental agencies to institute a brush burning program at the earliest possible time.

RES. NO. 27—CONSERVATION NO. 8

FAVORING BUILDING CENTRAL VALLEYS PROJECT
BY BUREAU OF RECLAMATION AND SUPPORTING
AUTHORITY BILL

Palermo Grange
(As Amended)

WHEREAS, the confusion existing now in the Central Valleys due to two Governmental agencies "The Army Engineers and the Bureau of Reclamation," both in the

Dam building business, one primarily low level dams, the other high level dams with irrigation and power included as a primary part of their projects.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the California State Grange go on record as being in favor of one agency to develop all the water sheds in the Central Valley that can possibly furnish water for irrigation or power, namely the Bureau of Reclamation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we are in favor of a Central Valley Project Authority having all phases of the building and administering of the facilities of this project.

RES. NO. 28—CONSERVATION NO. 9

FAVORING HIGH LEVEL DAM AT BIDWELL BAR

Palermo Grange

WHEREAS, the need for water in the Butte County district is so great and could be remedied by the Bidwell Bar Dam as far south as Sutter and Yuba Counties, and

WHEREAS, this project should be constructed now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the California State Grange go on record as favoring a high level dam at the Bidwell Bar site and favor construction by the Bureau of Reclamation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the California State Grange shall do everything possible to have the project built as an immediate post war project.

IN LIEU OF RES. NO. 30—CONSERVATION NO. 11

RESOLUTION REGARDING MONTICELLO PROJECT

(Substitute Resolution)

WHEREAS, the California State Grange has indorsed the proposed plans of the Bureau of Reclamation regarding the Central Valley Project, which includes the Monticello project, and

WHEREAS, the Monticello dam would be located in Napa County and would inundate the town of Monticello, also many acres of fine farm land, thereby causing an annual tax loss to the county of Napa of many thousands of dollars in taxes and would destroy most of the ranches in the Berry Essa Valley

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the California State Grange oppose the construction of the Monticello dam until such time as equitable adjustments be made to Napa County and the residents of Berry Essa Valley for losses incurred by inundation of the Berry Essa Valley as a result of the construction of the Monticello dam.

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION NO. 1

WHEREAS, it is necessary that transmission lines be built from the Shasta Power project to transmit hydroelectric energy, both for use of the project in pumping water and to make the power available to industrial areas, and

WHEREAS, privately owned utilities should not be permitted to purchase this power at the project, and then resell it to the consuming public at a profit, and

WHEREAS, it is necessary that the power carry its share of the repayment to the Federal Government of the construction costs of the Central Valleys Project, and

WHEREAS, it is necessary there be a steam plant constructed in order to firm the power generated at the Shasta project,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the California State Grange we request Congress to appropriate funds for a government owned transmission line from Shasta Dam to a point in the State which would make the power available not only for use by the project in pumping water, but to make it available for industrial use to districts and other political subdivisions,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, we urge Congress to include an appropriation to construct a steam standby plant.

SPECIAL CONSERVATION NO. 2

REGARDING LOW LEVEL DAMS FOR FLOOD CONTROL

WHEREAS, there are people in various parts of the State that have the impression the California State Grange is opposed to low level dams for flood control.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the California State Grange does not oppose the building of dams for flood control whenever it is impossible to conserve the water for irrigation or other purposes.

SPECIAL CONSERVATION RESOLUTION NO. 3
PINE FLAT PROJECT

WHEREAS, the proposed Pine Flat Dam on the Kings River is primarily an irrigation and power development project, and

WHEREAS, certain interests are advocating the construction of this dam as a flood control project, without the full benefits of cheap power, and

WHEREAS, the revenue from power will help defray the costs of construction and maintenance of said project,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the California State Grange reiterates its stand, favoring the construction of all projects on the Kings River Watershed by the Bureau of Reclamation Engineers, that it be constructed as an Irrigation and Power Project to be linked with the Central Valleys Project.

SPECIAL CONSERVATION RESOLUTION NO. 4
CENTRAL VALLEYS PROJECT

WHEREAS, the benefits to be derived, in the Central Valleys of California, by the use of irrigation water and development of power, by far, surpass the damage caused by floods, and

WHEREAS, it is simple logic that a multiple purpose dam will impound flood waters as well as a flood control dam, and

WHEREAS, the large fertile valleys of California are unique from other sections of the United States in that California agriculture depends almost entirely on irrigation and our water levels are receding rapidly, and

WHEREAS, large pumps, will of necessity, be installed to control water tables and distribute water, and much of the generated electricity will be consumed in this manner, and

WHEREAS, the population of California increased enormously during the war and many of these newcomers plan to stay here, thereby increasing demands for more jobs and industries,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the California State Grange urge Congress and the President of the United States to give serious consideration to our unique problems and to pass legislation and appropriate money

for the construction of multiple purpose dams on the Central Valleys streams, wherever feasible, to produce a plentiful and cheap supply of electricity to encourage new industries and to furnish the Central Valleys with a plentiful supply of irrigation water.

EDUCATION RESOLUTIONS

RES. NO. 32—EDUCATION NO. 1

CANCER AND INFANTILE PARALYSIS

Western Yolo Grange
(As Amended)

RESOLVED, that the California State Grange recommend that Congress appropriate funds for research into the cause and cure of cancer, rheumatic fever and poliomyelitis.

RES. NO. 33—EDUCATION NO. 2

WORLD-WIDE ABOLITION OF PEACETIME MILITARY CONSCRIPTION

Western Yolo Grange
(As Amended)

RESOLVED, that the California State Grange endorses world-wide abolition of Peacetime military conscription by action through the United Nations.

RES. NO. 37—EDUCATION NO. 6

CURTAILING SO-CALLED PROGRESSIVE EDUCATION

Valley Center Grange
(As Amended)

WHEREAS, it has been brought out in our armed services that there is a decided weakness in the basic knowledge of reading, writing, and arithmetic on the part of our young men and women

WHEREAS, it is common knowledge in the secondary and higher institutions of learning that children coming

from Grammar Schools are not soundly prepared in the basic knowledge of reading, writing, and arithmetic which prevents them making full use of opportunities offered by these institutions.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the California State Grange request the State Legislature and the State Board of Education to see that so called progressive education be curtailed, and emphasis be placed on the three R's.

EDUCATION NO. 7

ABOLISHING FOREIGN LANGUAGE SCHOOLS

San Diego County Pomona Grange

(As Re-Written)

WHEREAS, the American way of life has been fully justified, and the American way of expression is in the English language, and

WHEREAS, many foreign language schools have proven to be propaganda schools,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the California State Grange go on record as strictly against these Foreign language schools.

EDUCATION NO. 10

EXAMINATION OF DOMESTIC WATER SUPPLIES

Hollister Grange No. 578

(As Re-Written)

WHEREAS, the pollution of farm water supplies which can be detected only by bacteriological examinations, is found to be the source of many infectious diseases, and

WHEREAS, these tests which are now seldom given except after an outbreak of disease are very costly, and yet if given before would often prevent sickness and death.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the California State Grange go on record as favoring legislation or other action that will make the bacterial examination of domestic water sources available either free or at a minimum cost.

EDUCATION NO. 12

PROHIBITING LIQUOR LICENSES BEING ISSUED
FOR PUBLIC BUILDINGS

WHEREAS, in the past public buildings have been issued a liquor license, and

WHEREAS, a building built with taxpayers' money in which court, welfare, and Red Cross offices are located with a liquor license issued for the premises, is not good for the public morale,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the California State Grange see that a law or laws be enacted by California State legislature to prohibit liquor license in public buildings or buildings leased with taxpayers' money.

GOOD OF THE ORDER RESOLUTIONS

RES. NO. 41—G OF O NO. 4

CHANGING PERIOD FOR PAYMENT OF STATE
MASTER'S SALARY

Oakdale Grange

WHEREAS, Article I, Section 1 of By-Laws of the California State Grange requires the State Master's annual salary be payable quarterly, in addition to his necessary expenses while engaged in the work of the Order, and

WHEREAS, other employees of the State Grange are paid on a monthly basis or oftener, and

WHEREAS, to make for a more uniform administrative practice and to correct an injustice this procedure should be changed,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the word "QUARTERLY" in line eleven, Article I, Section 1, Duties of Officers, be stricken out and the word MONTHLY be inserted.

RES. NO. 42—G. OF O. NO. 5

INCREASING QUARTERLY DUES TO STATE GRANGE

Colusa County Pomona Grange
(As Amended)

WHEREAS, the income of the California State Grange has not increased in proportion to increased cost of operation, and

WHEREAS, the problems of agriculture are becoming more complex and requiring a more strenuous effort on the part of the farmer and farm organizations to maintain the freedom and equality of opportunity for which he is constantly striving, and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the membership of the California State Grange to do everything possible to protect the farmer's rights and to assist State Grange Officers in doing the same,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the by-laws of the California State Grange be amended to state that quarterly dues of members of subordinates shall be thirty three cents instead of twenty-four cents as at present, thereby providing adequate personnel and proper publicity to further the interests of the membership.

INCREASING STATE MASTER'S SALARY

(As Amended)

WHEREAS, the State Master has had a great amount of extra work in connection with his office on account of the war and will have a great burden in the future on account of Post-War activities, and

WHEREAS, it is only necessary to refer to his report to this session of the State Grange to convince us of these facts and,

WHEREAS, his salary is inadequate to compensate him for his loyalty and his services that he is now performing and will perform in connection with his office as State Master, now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the State Grange increase the State Master's salary \$100.00 a month to take effect at the beginning of the new term.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE RESOLUTIONS

RES. NO. 43—LEGISLATION NO. 1

OPPOSING TOTALITARIANISM

Placer Nugget Pomona Grange

WHEREAS, freedom of speech and freedom of the press is fast being destroyed in this country, by certain radical subversive activities, big business organizations and other unscrupulous organizations, which is definitely a threat to the liberty of our people, to our constitutional form of government, to our free enterprise system, to our free society, and for what our armed forces have fought and died for,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the California State Grange that we go on record requesting the Congress and the President of the United States of America to see to it that free speech and free press, and free enterprise are not destroyed in this free country.

RES. NO. 44—LEGISLATION NO. 2

REGISTRATION OF LOBBYISTS

Tulare Grange

(As Amended)

WHEREAS, the last session of the California State Legislature was notorious for number of lobbyists present, and

WHEREAS, the members of said Legislature gave no heed to the Governor's suggestion that they investigate the lobbying, and

WHEREAS, we believe this to be un-American and un-Democratic,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the California State Grange favor legislation requiring that all lobbyists be registered and also register the names of all individuals, groups, or corporations, or anyone for whom they are lobbying and salary received for same.

RES. NO. 45—LEGISLATION NO. 3

SOLVING JAPANESE PROBLEM

(Re-written to cover Nos. 3, 4, 10 and resolution submitted to committee by Vacaville Grange)

BE IT RESOLVED, that the California State Grange

assembled in annual session at Santa Cruz, California, November 6-9, 1945, reaffirm its policies adopted at previous conventions in reference to the Japanese Question.

RES. NO. 47—LEGISLATION NO. 5
CREATING LIQUOR CONTROL BOARD
Tulelake Grange
(As Re-Written)

WHEREAS, under present California law, liquor control is administered by the Board of Equalization whose original duties were far removed and very different from those concerned with the liquor problem, which were given to it after the repeal of the national prohibition amendment, and

WHEREAS, under the circumstances it has been found practically impossible to control the dispensing or the dispensers of liquor in any community of California, and

WHEREAS, it has been found equally impossible to secure the cancellation of a license already issued, or the removal of the person, or establishment of a license, no matter how much of a public nuisance he, or it has become, or how undesirable, he, or it may be to a majority of the residents of that community, now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by California State Grange, meeting in its annual session of 1945, sponsor a move creating an entirely new and separate liquor control agency, whose members shall be appointed by the Governor of California, and responsible to him, with such regulations that any community, so desiring, may have a means and an agency of control.

RES. NO. 48—LEGISLATION NO. 6
SUPPORTING ENLISTMENT FOR MILITARY SERVICE
Amador-Eldorado Pomona Grange
(As Re-Written)

WHEREAS, we are told that there is an acute food shortage in the world, and need for greater production, and

WHEREAS, many key farm workers are still not released from military service, and

WHEREAS, it seems possible, if not probable, that all

necessary military functions could now be carried on by volunteers if reasonable inducements were offered to obtain such volunteers, and

WHEREAS, an enlisted man, and especially a re-enlisted man, is much more valuable for military service than a conscript, since he has a longer time and much more inclination to advance himself in the science of warfare,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that California State Grange urge that key farm workers be discharged from military service as rapidly as possible, that an earnest effort be made to meet military requirements with volunteers.

RES. NO. 49—LEGISLATION NO. 7

MAINTAINING IMMIGRATION RESTRICTIONS

Petaluma Grange

WHEREAS, certain large city financial interests are forcefully advocating the breaking down of immigration restrictions involving Asiatic nationals, as defined in the "Ineligible Alien Clause" of the Federal Immigration Act of 1924 which act was supported by the National Grange,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by this 1945 session of the California State Grange, that we insist upon the full meaning of that clause being retained in the Federal statutes, and we furthermore herein instruct our State Master, delegate to the National Grange session of this current year, that he by all means secure adoption of similar action by that body, that all America may know of the non assimilable racial threat to our rural homes.

RES. NO. 53—LEGISLATION NO. 11

CONTINUING PRICE CONTROL TO PREVENT
INFLATION

Sonoma County Pomona Grange

WHEREAS, there is still a scarcity of farm and industrial products, and

WHEREAS, there will be a tendency to extend war-time profits by raising prices to the consumer wherever possible, and

WHEREAS, the only protection against this type of inflation is price control,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the California State Grange urge the continuance of price control until the period of scarcity and the danger of inflation is over.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE RESOLUTION
SUBSTITUTE FOR NO. 9

FARM LANDS FOR VETERANS

WHEREAS, the Peacetime future for returning veterans who want the happiness and security of a family sized farm, looks most discouraging, and

WHEREAS, a few land monopolies have acquired control by various methods, of tremendous acreages of our best tillable land, and

WHEREAS, this excessive land holding in California by speculators and corporation farms brings huge profits to the few, and poverty and rural slums to the increasing numbers of migrating farm workers, and

WHEREAS, we want no State veteran colonization plan on marginal land such as followed World War I, and

WHEREAS, our America is only as strong as our family unit is strong, now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the California State Grange vigorously sponsor legislation for a graduated land tax to stop the present trend that is leading toward share-croppers and feudal land-barons.

LEGISLATION NO. 12-A

WHEREAS, Venereal diseases are becoming an increasingly serious threat to the Public health, and

WHEREAS, we cannot hope to eradicate or even control this disease without taking compulsory measures,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the California State Grange recommend effective and compulsory treatment for all known cases.

RES. NO. 55—LEGISLATION NO. 13

OPENING COUNTY HOSPITALS TO PAY PATIENTS
(Substitute Resolution)

BE IT RESOLVED, that the California State Grange, approve the opening of County Hospitals to pay patients.

RES. NO. 57--LEGISLATION NO. 15

(Substitute Resolution)

WHEREAS, there is much discussion regarding the declaring surplus and dismantling of permanently and semi-permanently constructed Army hospitals, which have been used during the war and are still in use.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the California State Grange go on record as opposed to declaring surplus and dismantling such hospitals rather than constructing new hospitals.

SPECIAL RESOLUTION NO. 1

(As Amended)

WHEREAS, the Grange has been asked to take charge of selling Eighth War Loan Bonds in the rural districts, presumably for the purpose of bringing our boys and girls home from the war zone, Army and Navy costs, mustering out pay, etc., and

WHEREAS, certain foreign countries are seeking U. S. Government loans of billions of dollars at an interest rate much below the rate our own government is paying on bonds, and

WHEREAS, these same foreign countries repudiated their debts to our government contracted during World War I and would use these loans partly to compete with us economically,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the California State Grange use its influence with our National Grange to the end that the principle and the law sponsored by the late Senator Hiram Johnson of California regarding defaulted loans shall hold good.

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION NO. 1

BE IT RESOLVED, that the California State Grange meeting in annual session at Santa Cruz, reaffirm its former stand in regard to the United States Government issuing its own money, and regulating the value thereof.

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION NO. 2 SURPLUS WAR COMMODITIES

RESOLVED, that the California State Grange together with and through the Grangers Business Organization, to secure for Agriculture the simplest and most direct methods of purchase for surplus war commodities.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that agriculture be given a reasonable assurance that such commodities are of a reasonable and usable condition, and further urge that Grangers take full advantage of the Grangers Business Organization status as per preferred dealer.

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION NO. 3 POST WAR TRENDS

WHEREAS, it is quite possible that a post-war tendency toward the lowering of Agriculture prices in the United States may develop,

WHEREAS, a lowering of agriculture prices below comparative prices and labor manufacture and business would be of irreparable harm to agriculture in general, and

WHEREAS, if such a tendency were allowed to go unopposed by agriculture it may be carried to such an extent as to be beyond recovery.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Worthy Master of the California State Grange be empowered and instructed to use the power and influence of the California State Grange to prevent such tendencies and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Worthy State Master urge the National Grange to likewise.

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WHEREAS, the post war era may develop a trend toward Government regulations in the production, manufacture, distribution, and sale of farm crops and commodities, and

WHEREAS, the law of supply and demand may be of more value than regulations in many or most commodities,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the California State Grange assembled in annual session of 1945 go on record as being opposed to farm commodity regulations unless as an absolute last resort,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that when such regulations are required a fair and equitable return be guaranteed to agriculture.

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION NO. 4

UNITED NATIONS CHARTER

WHEREAS, it is possible and very probable that the influence of both the California State Grange and National Grange may be required to support the United Nations Charter.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Worthy Master of the State Grange use that influence when required and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that he work toward the same end in the National Grange.

ROADS AND HIGHWAYS RESOLUTIONS

RES. NO. 63—ROADS AND HIGHWAYS NO. 1

UNIFICATION OF TRAFFIC SIGNALS

James Ranch Grange

WHEREAS, motorists find it confusing to have such a multitude of differing traffic signals and signs placed in so many different ways,

WHEREAS, many times it is impossible to avoid difficulties,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the California State Grange consider what action can be taken to encourage unification of traffic signals, etc., and that such be placed under the jurisdiction of the state traffic laws.

RES. NO. 64—ROADS AND HIGHWAYS NO. 2

IMPROVING COUNTY ROADS

Three Forks Grange

(As Amended)

WHEREAS, it is in the interest of the entire State to have adequate county roads, and no highways is complete without providing therefore, and

WHEREAS, it requires an average of at least \$200 per mile per year to provide such roads, and

WHEREAS, the last Legislative session set aside, tentatively, ninety million dollars for assistance to cities and counties, and

WHEREAS, no better way can be found for the use of a substantial part thereof than for the improvement of county roads, and

WHEREAS, adequate county roads should be provided as a part of any such program.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that where any county does not already receive \$200 per mile per year from present State funds, and if it levied a tax of 10c upon its tax roll, would still not have that much, that the State should assist by making up the difference, after the manner that school districts are equalized under the so-called Strayer plan which was adopted by the last Legislature and which seems to be generally approved.

ROADS AND HIGHWAYS

HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENT

San Marcos Grange
(As Amended)

WHEREAS, the Federal Government has set aside liberal funds for post-war Public Highway construction. These funds are to be matched by state funds in the construction of Highways within the several states, and

WHEREAS, all agencies are striving to make jobs and sponsor full employment of Veterans and War Workers, and

WHEREAS, the increased automobile traffic will require many more super-highways and the improvement of the present highway systems.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the California State Grange petition the Legislature of the State of California to study this important issue.

SPECIAL RES. NO. 1—ROADS AND HIGHWAYS

HIGHWAY PROBLEMS

(As Amended)

WHEREAS, the Grange has been a strong advocate

for more and better farm-to-market roads, and

WHEREAS, our highway problems are rapidly becoming acute, due to the many deficiencies due to a variety of causes beyond the present control of the California Division of Highways for the reason that the State Legislature in the year 1933 by legislative action practically doubled the mileage of State highways without provision of a compensating increase in highway revenues, and

WHEREAS, there has been created a Legislative fact Finding Committee on highways, streets and bridges for the purpose of making a study of highways and matters incidental thereto, and to report their findings at a special session of the Legislature,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that we urge the State Grange Lecturer to arrange to have the subordinate and permona lecturers to devote one meeting next spring to a discussion of highway problems.

TAXATION RESOLUTIONS

RES. NO. 59—TAXATION NO. 1

REPEALING AUTOMOBILE TAX

Rincon Valley Grange
(As Re-Written)

WHEREAS, the United States of America, through its duly Authorized Representatives, in Congress assembled, saw fit to impose a Tax of Five Dollars, to be paid annually, by each person owning an automobile, and imposing penalties if said tax is not paid, and

WHEREAS, said tax was levied as one of the sources of revenue in the prosecution of the War, and the need for such tax being no longer necessary owing to the unconditional surrender of those countries with which the United States was at war, now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the said Tax of Five Dollars should be repealed.

RES. NO. 61—TAXATION NO. 3

DEDUCTING DEPRECIATION OF FARM FROM INCOME TAX

Perris Valley Grange

WHEREAS, the practice of investing in farms as a

means of reducing the amount of tax that must be paid on incomes obtained in non-farm enterprises, is unfair to the active farmer whose sole income is obtained from farming.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the income tax laws be changed to specify that depreciation and losses on farm properties of absentee farm owners, shall be deductible only from income derived from such properties, rather than from the total income of the tax payer.

RES. NO. 62—TAXATION NO. 4

TAXING MINERAL RIGHTS WITHHELD BY SELLER
OF REAL ESTATE

Lompoc Grange

WHEREAS, it has come to the attention of Lompoc Grange No. 646, that in many instances of foreclosure of Trust Deeds on farm property, by Financial Institutions, the practice of said Institutions is, when said Institutions get Title to said farms, to place the same on the market and sell the same, reserving title to all mineral and oil rights, to said Financial Institutions.

WHEREAS, the buyer of said foreclosed farm has such serious defect of Title resting upon his land, by reason of such mineral and oil reservations, that it becomes impossible for him to secure a loan thereon.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by California State Grange, that it is the recommendation of this Grange that Legislation should be introduced and passed by the Legislature of California, and made into law to the effect that, where the Mineral and Oil rights are segregated from the surface rights of land, that any and all taxes assessed against the surface rights of said land, shall be matched in the same sum by the Owner of the Mineral and Oil Rights.

POMONA REPORTS**BUTTE COUNTY**

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

The Butte County Pomona Grange extends its greetings to this convention. Their meetings were held every month with a good attendance.

I have not visited every grange this year, but the Butte Pomona has taken an active part in the County's fight for a resoiling bill.

I have represented the Butte Pomona at conferences in Sacramento and San Francisco pertaining to the Central Valley Project, and we are assisting several organizations in promoting the immediate building of the Bidwell Bar Dam.

We also opposed the passage of Bill 677 in the State Legislature.

It has been a full year in spite of the handicaps of gasoline and tires.

Sincerely and Fraternally,

E. L. HOLMES, Master

Butte Pomona Grange

DEL NORTE COUNTY

Worthy Master, Officers and members of the California State Grange, Greetings:

The Del Norte Pomona Grange, No. 42, takes great pleasure in reporting a continuation of our activities of 1944. We are on the second lap of a very effective control of the poisonous weed that threatened our country.

The Pomona Grange is still recognized at the very top of civic and local affairs, particularly pertaining to agriculture and rural Del Norte County, and through this recognition has prospered both in membership and financially.

We are meeting monthly, the third Tuesday of each month, with Subordinate Granges on invitation. The women of the County Home Economics Club are to be commended on their fine work in 1945.

With continued success for the Grange,

Fraternally submitted,

CHARLES W. GLOVER, Master
Del Norte Pomona Grange

FRESNO COUNTY

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

The Fresno County Pomona Grange is drawing to the close of another successful year. I wish to take this means to thank my fellow officers and members of Pomona for their splendid spirit of cooperation. Also, all subordinate members, their Masters and Officers.

The Fresno County Pomona Grange meets monthly in the Parlor Lecture Club in Fresno on the first Tuesday of each month. We have received many new members and put on the Fifth degree in full form at our May meeting to a large class.

The Home Economics Club headed by Sister Edna Hardman has been very active and has put forth much effort in behalf of the Grange.

The Fresno Grangers Federal Credit Union has grown by leaps and bounds, is in a very sound financial condition and rendering a great service to Grange members.

I wish to commend our District Deputy, Brother O. M. Davis for his untiring efforts in behalf of the Grange.

With continued success for the Grange,

Fraternally submitted,

ALBERT W. STONE, Master
Fresno County Pomona Grange

SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY

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

San Bernardino County Pomona Grange No. 32 has held regular monthly meetings throughout the year, at the various subordinate Grange halls.

A gain in membership has been realized with the Fifth Degree being conferred twice.

In August we were honored by the Ranchito degree team under the direction of Sister Carol Knight exemplifying the degree on our candidates.

Our Home Economics has held monthly meetings and has been very active in support of the Grange with Sister A. Johnstone as chairman.

The annual picnic was held in Sylvan Park, Redlands,

July 15th, marking our Pomona Grange's 10th birthday. There was a good attendance and a program was presented, with each subordinate contributing towards the entertainment.

Fraternally submitted,

HALLIE HANSEN, Master
San Bernardino Pomona Grange

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