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The Seventy-Second Annual Session of California State Grange was called to order at 10 A. M. at the Memorial Auditorium Sacramento, California, State Master George Sehlmeier presiding.

Conducted by the Assistant Steward and Lady Assistant Steward, the State officers took their stations.

Presentation of the Flag followed, with Sister Helen Dopkins of Colusa County, acting as Flag Bearer. "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 6th degree retired, and California State Grange was opened in regular form in the 6th degree. Acting as Deputy Assistant and Lady Assistant Steward were Brother Don Bridge and Sister Bernice Bridge, San Luis Obispo County, and the members were proven in their degree.

The Worthy Chaplain led those assembled in seeking Divine guidance.

Due to the resignation of Sister Uriel Shields as State Lecturer, Sister Hilda L. Atkins was appointed to act during the Session.

The passing of Brother Chas. McLaughlin left the Gatekeeper's station vacant, and this was filled by appointment of Brother A. J. Crandall 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
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Ceres.....	Estelle Mensinger
Pomona.....	May Schmidt
Flora.....	Vera Blakeley
Lady Assistant Steward.....	Margaret Robinson
Pianist.....	Claudine Holmes
Executive Committee.....	Harry Barnes
	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 closed in the 6th Degree and opened in the 4th Degree. 190 Fourth Degree members were admitted and welcomed by the Worthy Master to attendance at this 72nd Session of California State Grange. In his welcoming address he expressed the hope that by the time another session of California State Grange convened, the world would be at peace, but stated that important decisions in shaping the future of California Agriculture when peace descends, rests upon this delegate body.

The report of the Committee on Order of Business was accepted, and the Convention Program was submitted, as follows:



**CONVENTION PROGRAM**

Order of Business

Tuesday, October 17

**MORNING**

10:00 A. M.—California State Grange opened, Memorial Auditorium, 15th and J Street, Sacramento.

Roll Call of Officers.

Determining if a quorum is present.

12:15 P. M. Recess.

**AFTERNOON**

2:00 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.

State Deputy's report.

District Deputies' report.

5:00 P. M. Grange closed.

**EVENING**

8:00 P. M. State Grange reconvenes in Memorial Auditorium, 15th and J Street. (Open to public)

Reception: Sacramento Convention Bureau and Grange membership, Sacramento County.

State Lecturer's program.

Wednesday, October 18

**MORNING**

9:30 A. M. California State Grange opened. Memorial Auditorium, 15th and J.

Roll call of officers.

Reading journal of yesterday.

10:30 A. M. Special order of nominations of State officers to be elected at this session.

Special order: Invitations for 1945 California State Grange Convention

Reports

11:30 A. M. Credit Union League

12:15 P. M. Awarding Aberdeen Angus Heifer (Grange Victory Maid)

12:45 P. M. Broadcast.

## AFTERNOON

2:30 P. M. Reconvene, Memorial Auditorium, 15th and J Street.

Addresses: Julian McPhee, advisor, Future Farmers of America.

National President, Future Farmers of America.

State President, Future Farmers of America

Grange called to order in regular session,

Report, Farmers Automobile Inter Insurance Exchange,  
by George C. Jewett

Reports continued.

Reports of Committee

5:30 P. M. Evening recess.

## EVENING

8:00 P. M. State Grange reconvenes in Memorial Auditorium, 15th and J Street

Introduction of resolutions not submitted State Grange office.

Fixing closing time for introduction of new resolutions.  
Business session.

Report of Grangers Business Organization, Inc.

Closing California State Grange

Thursday, October 19

## MORNING

9:30 A. M. California State Grange opened, Memorial Auditorium, 15th and J Street.

Roll Call of officers

Reading of Journal of yesterday

Business session

Reports of Committee

11:30 A. M. Juvenile Grange Program, under direction of Mrs. Cordie M. Hannah, State Superintendent of Juvenile Granges.

12:45 P. M. Recess



## AFTERNOON

2:30 P. M. Reconvene, Memorial Auditorium, 15 and J Street.  
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

8:00 P. M. Memorial Auditorium, 15th and J Street.  
Fifth Degree conferred by Santa Clara County Pomona  
Grange Degree Team, followed by Sixth Degree conferred by officers, California State Grange.  
Closing California State Grange.

Friday, October 20

## MORNING

8:00 A. M. Home Economics Breakfast, Westminster Presbyterian Church, 13th and N Street.  
9:30 A. M. Opening California State Grange, Memorial Auditorium, 15th and J. Street.  
Roll Call of officers.  
Reading of Journal of yesterday.  
Reports of Committees on Resolutions.  
12:30 P. M. Recess.

## AFTERNOON

2:00 P. M. Reconvene, Memorial Auditorium, 15th and J. Street.  
Reports of Committees.  
Unfinished Business.  
5:30 P. M. Recess.

## EVENING

8:00 P. M. Reconvene, Memorial Auditorium, 15th and J Street.  
Reports of Committees.  
Unfinished business.  
Installation of State officers elected this session.  
Closing of 72nd Annual Convention, California State Grange.

Sister Cordie Hannah announced a Juvenile Conference to be held Thursday Morning at 8 o'clock, place to be announced later.

Sister Glenn's Home Economics Conference is to be held Wednesday Morning at 8 o'clock.

Sister Atkins announced a Lecturer's Conference Thursday morning at 8 o'clock.

Grange stood at recess until 2 o'clock P. M.

### TUESDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

California State Grange reconvened at 2:00 P. M. and the convention stood at recess during the report of the Worthy Master. Brother Harry Barnes of the Executive Committee presided at the Master's request while State Master George Sehlmeier addressed the delegates and visitors assembled:

#### ANNUAL ADDRESS

GEORGE SEHLMAYER

Master California State Grange

#### INTRODUCTION

For the first time in the history of the California State Grange we are holding our annual convention in the same city for two consecutive years. Sacramento was one of the very few cities in the state which would undertake housing and entertainment of the State Grange Convention during the war emergency. Notwithstanding we met in this city one year ago, the members of the Grange, under the able leadership of Charles W. Hayenga have made extensive preparations to assist in making this a pleasant and profitable State Grange session.

There have been many changes since one year ago. "D" Day has come and the reports from the battle fronts are increasingly encouraging. Consideration is already being given to reconversion of some of our industries from war to civilian production.

During this week the eyes of California agriculture are turned toward Sacramento. Upon this delegate body rests a great responsibility in making declarations not only on the immediate problems facing farmers but considering and reaching conclusions on some of the trends of agriculture for the post-war period.



There are a large number of resolutions before the delegate body, some of them of a controversial nature but we feel confident the deliberations on these important questions will be calm and sound conclusions will be reached.

We are confident that this convention will adopt a program which will have a far reaching effect on the trends California and American agriculture will take, when we return from war to peace time economy. This delegate body has an opportunity which few State Grange sessions have enjoyed. We are nearing the end of a great war, and the issues which confront, not only California, but the nation, are of the greatest importance. We feel confident you will meet this obligation and when this session closes, agricultural history will have been made.

### SOCIAL WELFARE

The 1943 session of the California Legislature materially changed the provisions in the assistance for the aged laws. While this law is generally referred to as the Pension Law, the Constitution of California does not provide for the payment of pensions. While it was the desire of the Pension Committee, appointed by the Governor, and a majority of the Legislature, to simplify and liberalize California's Pension system, it appears that some of the abuses which the bills passed by the Legislature were intended to correct, still exist. As far as possible these should be corrected by the next session of the Legislature.

Number 11 on the November election ballot, provides for the payment of \$60 per month per person, to all those reaching the age of sixty years, and all others who are completely disabled. This measure provides for a 3% gross receipts tax, and repeals the 2½% retail sales tax. We urge the delegate body to give careful consideration to this important matter which will affect the whole social and economic welfare of those receiving assistance from the state.

For several years the California State Grange has advocated adequate old age pensions, and that such pensions be federal and equal in every state in the nation.

### PLACING WAR VETERANS ON LAND

When the present war ends it is probable many of the Veterans expect to establish homes on farms. A pro-

position is on the November ballot to issue \$30,000,000.00 in State Bonds to assist Veterans in purchasing farms and homes. These bonds are in the nature of a loan to the Veterans, under the same plan as the bonds issued at the close of the first World War. There is no doubt the people of California will approve these bonds. Several plans have been suggested, making farms available to returning Veterans. Some believe in colonization on tracts of land, others urge that a different plan be followed. The problem is to make land available to returning Veterans at the price they can afford to pay, and assist them in making the proper selection of land which will as near as possible meet their requirements.

The plans for farm settlement for Veterans should be carried out by County Committees. Every County in California where Veterans may desire to purchase land should set up a committee consisting of farm organizations and other interested groups, to advise with ex-service men regarding location and price, and the adaptability of the land, for the crops they may desire to produce.

It is interesting to note, notwithstanding American agriculture may be faced with surplus in production of farm commodities after the war ends, ours is the only industry which is willing to cooperate in assisting Veterans to engage in a production which might eventually aggravate the food surplus condition. We urge that Granges of every county assist in organizing a Committee to assist Veterans in locating land and establishing homes on farms.

#### FARM LABOR

Farm labor conditions were somewhat improved in the state this year, over one year ago. With the aid of volunteer labor, Mexican nationals and some prisoners of war, in most of the crops so far harvested, there has been no material loss, due to labor shortage. If the war in Europe should suddenly end a large number of war workers would be released. Unquestionably some of these would seek employment on farms. As this report is being written there is some doubt as to whether the Mexican Government will permit their nationals to again enter the United States in any material numbers. While at present no one is absolutely certain when the war will be over, when it does end our own people should have the first



right to be employed. There are, however, certain types of stoop work for which it is very difficult to get white labor.

During the next few years there may be great changes in farm labor conditions. New machines are being developed which will take the place of a large number of laborers, however, this should not materially interfere with employment. Farmers should not make the mistake of again trying to force farm wages to a low level. Persons who work on farms should be paid the same wage as industrial labor. In order to maintain this wage scale it will be necessary that the farmers receive a price for their products which would make it possible for them to meet such a wage scale. A movement is underway to bring farm labor under Social Security. This state convention should give consideration to this question.

When readjustment takes place from war to peacetime economy, steps should be taken to bring about better housing conditions for farm labor, and as far as it is economically possible keep the wages and conditions surrounding farm labor on a level with industrial labor.

### CREDIT UNIONS

During the year new Grange Credit Unions were organized, and other Grange Counties are considering organizing one of these very helpful agencies. The possibilities of Grange Credit Unions are almost unlimited and not only is it possible for Grange members to secure loans from Credit Unions with a minimum of information generally required for loans, but with the cooperation of our membership they can be developed into a very worthwhile credit agency.

As Credit Unions grow and their assets increase they can undertake a very wide field of highly desirable loans to Grange members. We urge every Grange County which does not have a Grange Credit Union to give careful consideration to organizing one.

During this convention a conference of Credit Union Officers and members will be held, and all Grange members are especially invited who are not now members of a Grange Credit Union.



## O. P. A. — W. F. A.

During the year there have been many changes in rationing, especially of food products. In some instances points have been removed, and on some increased. Price ceilings were maintained on nearly all farm commodities. In those cases where the cost of production rose to a higher point than the ceiling, subsidies were used to make up the difference.

If we are to have programs for farm production it is imperative that such programs be announced far enough in advance to make it possible for the farmers to prepare for the crop. Last year both this State Grange and the National Grange requested that the program for sugar beet production be announced not later than November 1st. It was February before producers were informed of the conditions under which the sugar beet crop was to be produced. This resulted in another sharp reduction in sugar beet acreage.

War food administration officials were for a time gravely concerned over the surplus food stocks, both in domestic stock piles and those abroad. It appears that some of the occupied countries were not as greatly devastated as expected, and later reports indicate that some of these countries will be up to 90% of their normal production by next year. The War Food Administration is making an effort to dispose of the food stocks held abroad to foreign nations.

Last spring there was a sharp drop in egg prices which caused serious losses to many poultry men in the United States. While prices on eggs and poultry products dropped, feed prices remained practically stationary. In order to prevent a further disruption of the market, some of the eggs held in storage by the government were dumped into tankage. During recent months there has been a recovery of egg prices.

A long delay in fixing the ceiling on barley for this year's crop may result in a material drop in price.

Just before Congress recessed for election a bill was passed requiring that cotton and wheat be purchased by the government at parity prices. There is a probability, depending on the size of this year's crop, that corn may soon be included in this program. It is apparent that

the War Food Administration is concerned over carrying out the provisions of this law.

It is probable both the WFA and the OPA will remain active for at least a year or two after the war ends. Price controls, rationing, and production programs will be enforced. After carefully reviewing the administration of the WFA and the OPA, we are firmly convinced that there would be much better administration of food production programs, price ceilings and rationing if these two agencies were combined in one department. We believe this would result in a far more satisfactory administration and would, at least, prevent the shifting of responsibility which is apt to occur with two separate government agencies dealing with the production, price and rationing of the nation's food supply. In some instances differences of opinions between the WFA and the OPA have resulted in vexatious delays. Space in this report does not permit reviewing in detail the administration of the WFA or the OPA. It is recommended this State Grange session give consideration to combining these two government agencies into one department.

### CALIFORNIA GRANGE NEWS

During the year just passed the Grange News has encountered a number of difficulties in printing, finally making it necessary for the first time in the history of our paper to have the printing done outside Sacramento.

We have tried to make the Grange News a more worthwhile publication for the Grange membership. The feature article writer, Mr. Hichborn, has attracted wide attention, and reports reaching our office indicate the Grange News is one of the most widely quoted farm papers in California.

Considerable difficulty was encountered in setting up the list for the subscription fee, which the delegate body voted. The executive committee of the State Grange will submit a proposal to the convention to take the place of the subscription now charged.

Every Grange family in California should receive the Grange News. Secretaries are especially urged to send the names of new members to the Grange News in order that they may receive the paper promptly.



The Managing Editor will give a more detailed report to the convention.

### GRANGERS BUSINESS ORGANIZATION

The Board of Directors of the Grangers Business Organization are making plans for extensive expansion when the war ends. It is their hope that our buying cooperative will be able to furnish the farmers with everything they need. When the war ends, and when the restrictions now imposed, are removed, the business organization will again carry a full line of household electrical equipment, farm machinery and other needs of farmers. During the calendar year of 1943, sales of the business organization were reduced because many of the commodities and equipment formerly handled, were no longer available, but for the first six months of 1944, sales, especially of petroleum products, have shown a steady increase. Through an agreement with the Associated Oil Company they are making deliveries not only in those areas where it was necessary for us to close our plants because of war conditions, but in all areas of the state where the business organization did not formerly have plants. The board of directors have under consideration building a working capital to make it possible to carry on the extensive expansion referred to.

If 75% of our members would become patrons of the business organization we could maintain a distributing service in every Grange County in California, which would result in substantial savings to our membership. Dividends for the first six months of this year reached an all time high. We urge all Grange members to make purchases through our cooperative. The success of the planned expansion will rest upon the support given by the Grange membership.

A further report on the activities of the Grangers Business Organization will be given by vice president F. J. Greer.

### INSURANCE

On January 1st, 1944, the plan for Compensation Insurance through a Grange policy for our membership became effective. We realize that many of our members were carrying Compensation Insurance with other agencies



and did not feel inclined to cancel the existing policy. The success of the Compensation Insurance plan and the savings which can be made, will depend on two conditions—the volume of the policies in effect and guarding against losses. While there have been a number of smaller claims, there were two serious accidents. Notwithstanding these two larger claims, it seems probable the Compensation Insurance will show a reasonable profit.

It is important that every member of the Grange who carries Compensation Insurance should have a Grange policy. If this be done and our membership guards carefully against accidents, a Grange policy will result in substantial savings to our membership.

The Grange Fraternal Fire Insurance reports a very successful year. There should be some Amendments to the By-Laws of the Fire Insurance Association to make it possible for the Association to meet the growing requirements of Fire Insurance for the Grange Membership. The cost of Insurance in our Fire Insurance Association is almost entirely regulated by safe guarding against fire loss.

During the fiscal year, as in the former years, we have enjoyed very pleasant relations with, and full cooperation of, the Farmers Automobile Inter-Insurance Exchange in all matters relating to automobile and casualty insurance. This exchange has been made the official carrier for automobile insurance for all Grange States west of the Mississippi River. While there has been some upturn in losses the Farmers Automobile Inter-Insurance Exchange is in a very strong financial position. The representative of the Exchange will give a full report on their activities and a financial statement to this Convention.

### HOME ECONOMICS

The close of the fiscal year marks another period as one of the most successful in the history of our Home Economics Department. Under the very able leadership of our State Home Economics Committee, Mrs. Mabel Glenn, chairman, Mrs. Emma Michalk, Mrs. Mayme Hill and Mrs. Margaret Stewart, the Home Economics Department has gone steadily forward.

Not only have our Home Economics Clubs throughout the State carried on the usual work of assisting the Gran-

ges, they have also made an outstanding record in war work. The Home Economics Department took an active and successful part in the 5th War Loan Drive.

The State Home Economics Committee have outlined a program for next year which will be submitted to the Convention in Mrs. Glenn's report.

Every woman in the Grange is entitled to membership in the Home Economics Clubs. Every Subordinate Grange in the State which does not have a Home Economics Club should organize one as early as possible.

Space in this report does not make it possible to enumerate all the activities and achievements of our Home Economics Department. Every Grange member in the State may have a pardonable pride in the work done by this important Department.

During this convention a Home Economics Conference will be held, and on Friday morning a Home Economics Breakfast in the Presbyterian Church, which has become one of our most popular events during the State Grange Convention.

Mrs. Glenn, chairman of the Home Economics Committee, will give a detailed report to this Convention.

#### CONDITION OF THE GRANGE

During the fiscal year closing June 30, 1944, the Grange in California has enjoyed an outstanding gain in membership. The State Secretary's records indicate the gain made during the quarter ending June 30th, was one of the largest in the history of the Grange in this State. Membership increases included practically every area in the State.

The membership building program adopted by the State Executive Committee was brought to a successful conclusion through the loyal cooperation of Grange Officers and members in the State. With this large gain in membership all Grange activities will be increased. The prestige of the California State Grange is greater than ever before.

Notwithstanding restrictions in travel, membership attendance has been held at a reasonably high level. While reports for the quarter ending September 30th, are not complete they indicate membership gains are continuing. The Executive Committee have extended the membership



building program to this year beginning July 1, 1944 to June 30, 1945. With the continuing cooperation of our membership we can look forward to even greater gains in the year just ahead.

The State Secretary's report will contain detailed information on new Granges organized, and membership gains during the year.

### INDUSTRY IN THE WEST

During the last few months some of the large light metal plants on the West Coast have been closed, indicating gradual removal of war industries, established here during the emergency, to the Eastern part of the United States. The time is at hand when an effort should be made to bring large manufacturing and other industries to the West Coast.

With the full development of the Central Valley Project we should have reasonably priced power and increased farm production. We have light metals on the Coast which would interest that type of industry. By bringing industries to the west, markets for farm products could be greatly increased in this area, thus relieving producers of the necessity to ship a large portion of their products to the eastern markets.

We, therefore, suggest that the State Grange support movements to bring new industries to the West Coast.

### WESTERN STATES CONFERENCE

On August 19th, of this year, the masters of five western State Granges met in Portland, Oregon. The states represented were Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Montana and California. The conference was primarily called for the purpose of considering the Japanese problem. Two resolutions were adopted. With a few exceptions the declarations made by the conference followed the resolutions adopted by the 1943 California State Grange Convention.

One of the resolutions relating to the Japanese question dealt with keeping the Japanese in this military area in confinement, and that no Japanese be permitted to return to the West Coast area from which they were evacuated by military decree following December 7, 1941.

The other resolution relating to the Japanese question



provided for deportation of all Japanese at the end of the war, and that the Constitution of the United States be amended to prohibit Japanese owning property or enjoying permanent residence within the continental United States.

Resolutions were also adopted opposing H. R. 3961, the Rivers and Harbors bill, in its present form. If this bill is not amended, the President be requested to veto the measure.

Another resolution opposing H. R. 4485, commonly termed the Army Engineers flood control bill, providing that the United States Senate amend this bill by removing all projects which affect power and irrigation development.

These resolutions are in accord with the action of our State Grange Executive Committee. Copies of all four resolutions are attached to your resolution file.

#### DISPOSING OF WAR EQUIPMENT

During the year there have been a number of bills before Congress providing for the disposition of war equipment after the war ends, and also to dispose of surplus equipment which can be sold before the war comes to a close. The only bill approved by Congress is the Colmer Act which was passed just preceeding the congressional recess for the election and has been signed by the President. This law provides for a three man board to handle the disposition of all war equipment. As this report is being written, no definite plans have been developed for the handling of war equipment and the resale of lands purchased by the government. There is a probability the war equipment will be sold through the regular channels of trade, that is, the manufacturer of a given piece of machinery, or truck would be allowed to take over the equipment to learn if it needed repairs, and then it would be sold through the regular dealers. If this plan is followed, care should be taken to put a ceiling price on repairs. Another plan which seems to have wider support is the equipment will be sold through farm cooperatives, and auctions. Which ever plan is adopted care must be taken that we do not allow the same conditions to again prevail, as those when the first world war ended. War equipment was then sold to purchasers for a very low price and resold to the American public at a greatly advanced price.

A general plan for the resale of land is as follows: The original owner who sold the land to the government, to have first choice. If the owner who sold to the government does not wish to purchase the land it is probable the government land will be sold to purchasers in lots based on the family sized type of farm. Great care must be taken that the lands now held by the government do not drift into the hands of large corporation farms.

In this state a movement has been inaugurated to have the farm production council handle the sale and disposition of war equipment in this state. It may be several years after the war ends before the sale of this equipment is completed. The farm production council is an emergency organization and will go out of existence at the close of the war. With the federal machinery the three man board will set up for the sale of the equipment, we can see no need to perpetuate the life of the farm production council by having them undertake the sale of this equipment. To a large extent this might result in a duplication with federal agencies.

It is probable the President will request some amendments to the Colmer Act when Congress reconvenes on November 14th. Three plans are under consideration for war equipment: (1) through regular channels of trade, (2) sales to farm cooperatives, and auctions, (3) and in California through the farm production council. This convention should give consideration to these three plans.

The National Grange and the California State Grange will use their influence to have a plan adopted to have this equipment sold to the farmers of the United States by the most direct plan and to prevent profits which were received by some interests through the sale of the war equipment at the end of the first world war.

#### ACREAGE LIMITATION OF THE RECLAMATION LAW

In 1902 during the administration of President Theodore Roosevelt the Reclamation Law was enacted. This was the beginning of the movement to develop irrigation and reclamation in what was then termed the arid west. There have been a number of amendments to the law since its enactment. The first Reclamation Law dealt almost entirely with government owned lands, but in later years, as irrigation projects were extended, amendments



were adopted providing for its application to areas under private ownership. Under the original act where the title of the land was in the Federal Government, the Secretary of Interior had the authority to limit acreages as low as ten acres. The later amendments and rules provided where land was in private ownership the acreage limitation could not be less than 160 acres.

Early this year Congressman Elliott, of California, attached a rider to the Rivers and Harbors omnibus appropriation bill exempting the Central Valley's Project from the acreage limitation in the Reclamation law. The amendment was adopted by the House of Representatives, and was later removed from the Rivers and Harbors Bill by the sub-committee of the United States Senate Commerce Committee. At the request of a public meeting of Grange members, and other farmers, held in Tulare on April 27th, and at the request of the State Executive Committee, the California State Grange was represented during the hearings in Washington, on the Elliott Amendment. After the amendment was dropped from the bill, Senator Downey held a series of hearings in this state, beginning in Sacramento and ending in Bakersfield. In all the hearings, both in Washington and California, the California State Grange was the only state-wide farm organization appearing in the interest of the home owning farmers.

While these hearings were in progress we again learned how easily farmers are influenced by propaganda. A story was circulated among the farmers of the state that unless the Elliott Amendment was adopted, the Secretary of the Interior could reduce every farm in the state to 160 acres or less. It is amazing how many farmers believed this fallacious story. Farmers were also told that no farm within the project area could be larger than 160 acres. Both of these statements have no foundation in fact. The acreage limitation provides that no farmer can buy water from the Central Valley's Project for more than 160 acres of irrigated land. This provision does not prevent the ownership of a larger acreage, but does limit the land ownership for which water can be purchased from the Central Valley's Project.

During the hearings on the Elliott Amendment, the

State Grange suggested that a reasonable compromise be adopted to overcome some of the existing conditions in irrigation districts in the state, but it would be disastrous to the development of a home farm population, and a sound rural community life in the project area, to remove all acreage limitation.

Many of the home owning farmers of the San Joaquin Valley have learned the ruthlessness of some of the large land companies in dealing with water rights.

While it may be desirable to make some modification in the Reclamation law, both the California State Grange and the National Grange will continue to vigorously oppose any amendment to the Reclamation law, which has for its objective, extending corporation farming in the Central Valleys Project area. Two bills are at present under consideration, one modifying the Reclamation law. The other measure is discussed in this report under title of Central Valleys Project."

#### CENTRAL VALLEY PROJECT

Since the time Congress made the first appropriation for the Central Valley Project in 1937, there never has been as strong an attempt to completely disrupt this project, as at present. One of the first steps by those who hoped to defeat making the resources of this great project available to all people of California was the Elliott Amendment. This is referred to in the other part of this report.

When the Department of the Interior built the transmission line from the Shasta Power Project to Oroville, it temporarily defeated the proposal of the privately owned utility to build their own transmission line to the bus-board of the dam. If this had been permitted there would have been complete bottling up of the electric power generated at the Shasta Project. Again this year, as in 1942 and 1943, the House of Representatives took out of the Appropriation Bill the funds for a transmission line from Shasta Dam to Antioch. This year, as in former years, the Senate restored the appropriation, but in the conference committee hearings, for the first time the appropriation for the transition line has been completely eliminated. It is a well known fact that we must have competitive bidding for the power developed by the pro-



ject, in order to secure a price to make it possible for the sale of power to carry its share of the repayment to the Federal Government for the Central Valley Project. Unless this appropriation is restored the power developed by the project cannot be made available to the publicly owned districts in the state, and privately owned utilities will be the sole beneficiaries. It would mean the sole bidder could purchase the power for a low figure and then resell it to the power consumer at a substantial profit. Unless the electric energy developed by the project can be made to carry its share of repayment to the Federal Government, the cost of water to the farmer may be too high.

While in Washington, D. C., this year we heard it frequently stated that the largest power lobby was in Washington than had ever appeared. The movement against public power is not confined to the Central Valley Project, it is national in extent. Two bills which apparently had for their intent the complete disruption of the Central Valley Project, passed by the House of Representatives, are now before the United States Senate. H. R. 3961, the Rivers and Harbors Bill, to which the Elliott Amendment was attached, has other undesirable and dangerous provisions in two sections. This measure provides where there is development of power, the Secretary of the Interior is prohibited from selling the power at a lower price than is charged by a utility operating in the same area. The other provision makes it necessary in some of the projects to be constructed by the Bureau of Reclamation, to sell the power at the bus-board. These two provisions should be deleted from the bill. If they remain in the measure, and it becomes law, there can be no further development of publicly owned power in projects constructed by the Bureau of Reclamation. The other measure H. R. 4485, commonly termed the Army Engineers Flood Control Bill, authorizes the army to add irrigation and power development to their projects. It is well known, however, that the army does not distribute power, and where irrigation projects are built by the army, not only would the 160 acre limit be completely eliminated, but in some instances in California, large corporate farms would practically control the use of the water impounded

by the army engineers dam. Adoption of this law by Congress would result in two competing federal agencies participating in building the Central Valley Project, namely the Bureau of Reclamation and Army Engineers. If there is to be a full and complete development of the water resources of the Central Valley, it should be constructed by the Bureau of Reclamation.

The delegate body, of the State Grange, in a former convention made a declaration in favor of setting up a regional authority for the Central Valley. We believe this is the best solution for the whole problem for making available to the people of the state, the great natural resources of this project.

Another move to delay the completion of the project is the suggestion the state take over the development. If the \$170,000,000 in revenue bonds now frozen, should be released by the Legislature, and interest bearing bonds be issued for the construction of this project, it would practically double the price of water to the farmers. Such a move is an indication of the desperate efforts of those who have tried to delay the development of this great project, in the interest of the people of California.

We therefore urge this State Grange Convention to reaffirm former declarations on the development of the Central Valley's Project.

### JAPANESE PROBLEMS

During the 1943 State Grange Convention held in this city, two resolutions were adopted dealing with the Japanese problem. The first one providing that all Japanese now in internment camps should be retained there until the close of the war, that all Japanese relocation centers should be under army control, rather than the War Relocation Authority. The second resolution provided that at the close of the war all Japanese be returned to Japan. This resolution included both Japanese aliens, and persons of Japanese ancestry.

During the year a number of other organizations have shown an interest in the State Grange declarations. On August 19th of this year a conference was held in Portland attended by Masters of State Granges of five western states. During the conference in Portland all representatives of the five states were unanimous in



their opinion that deportation of all Japanese was the only sound answer to this important issue.

While it is probable that most of the records have now been destroyed, it would be interesting to know how many of the children of Japanese ancestry born in the United States were registered with the Japanese Consul, thereby becoming subjects of the Emperor of Japan, and at the same time claiming American citizenship. This type of dual citizenship cannot be tolerated.

The action of the California State Grange and the resolution adopted by the conference of five western states in Oregon, are not based on racial hatred. Again and again, we have urged the Grange membership in California in supporting the movement to deport all Japanese after the war, that we must not allow ourselves to be influenced by hate, which all too frequently springs from war. This is a problem which must be dealt with realistically in the interest of our future national welfare. When we exclude all Japanese from the United States, we must apply the same doctrine to the Orient. The exploitation of the Orient by other nations should be definitely stopped. After reviewing during the year all the issues involved in the Japanese problem it is evident the action taken by our delegate body last year that the Japanese be deported at the end of the war, is the only sound solution of this important problem.

### SURPLUS COMMODITIES

Much concern is being expressed over the disposal of surplus farm commodities now in the hands of the Federal Government, and the military forces. Reports indicate that some of these commodities are being turned into the regular channels of trade for distribution for civilian use. It is apparent care is being taken to keep this volume at a point where it will not interfere with distribution of farm commodities. It is probable that none of the surplus commodities in the hands of the government in Europe will be returned to the United States.

If those products in the hands of the government, which are stored in this country were dumped on the market, it would inevitably result in a serious drop in farm prices.

Space in this report does not permit enumerating the volume of different commodities now in the hands of the

government. It is probable the government will reduce its volume of purchases, excepting where it is necessary to maintain established floors under a commodity. There are also developing reasonable trends toward curtailment of farm production to avoid surplus. A movement is underway to reduce poultry production by about 15%.

In discussing surplus farm commodities it should be kept in mind that neither the California State Grange nor the National Grange approved the drastic curtailment of farm production. When the war ends and government purchases cease, and the labor in war industries no longer has full employment at the high wage now being paid, there may again appear surplus in some farm commodities. The remedies which may be applied to such surplus are discussed in another part of this report.

### JUVENILE GRANGES

Reports from some areas indicate there is an appalling juvenile delinquency. Fortunately this has not developed to any alarming degree in rural areas. There is no organization which can do more for the welfare and training of children in rural communities than a Juvenile Grange. While restriction in travel has somewhat interfered with the development of the Juvenile program in the state during the year, new Juvenile Granges were organized. Mrs. Cordie M. Hannah has put forth a great effort to build Juvenile Granges in California. We urge every subordinate Grange, where there are enough children in the community, to organize a Juvenile Grange.

On Thursday, the Annual Juvenile Program will be presented, and during the session Mrs. Hannah will give a detailed report on juvenile work, and progress.

### MONETARY REVISION

It is apparent in order to meet new economic conditions as they arise in the post war period there should be a complete monetary revision for the United States. It is important that the people of America inform themselves and closely watch the development of the new world bank. The revision of international exchange may have much to do in maintaining peace in the years ahead. The National Grange has adopted a sound monetary policy. The California State Grange has likewise made sound declara-



tions on monetary questions during former State Grange Conventions.

There are Resolutions before this session dealing with this issue. We urge the delegates to give them careful consideration.

### GRANGE HALLS

During the year several Grange Halls have been dedicated, and some are waiting for the dedication ceremony. Rationing of building materials has to some extent interfered with building Grange Halls. During this period when Granges can build up funds, every Grange where there is need should plan to either build or purchase a hall. Grange Halls throughout the United States have become community centers, and there is no more worthwhile undertaking for a Grange than to provide itself with a hall.

### UNIVERSAL MILITARY TRAINING

A bill is pending in Congress for Universal Military Training for all American youths after the war ends. According to a press report quoting Adjutant General Ray W. Hays, the plan suggested includes the following:

1. Require youths to be given one year training in the regular armed forces. This would be applicable upon graduation from high school or between the ages of 18 and 20.

2. Following the one year training the youths would be discharged to national guard units for a period of from one to three years to receive military drill and instruction two hours each week.

3. Upon completion of their national guard term, the youths would be transferred to inactive status, to be called up for active duty only in the event of extreme emergency or a state of war.

It seems rather peculiar that we should engage in Universal Military Training for an extreme emergency or war. The plans suggested are similar to those followed in European countries, who have frequently engaged in war. Such a course is an extreme departure from military service so far followed in the history of our country.

We feel this question will be of great importance in the development of our educational and social affairs. It

is therefore suggested this State Grange Convention make a definite declaration on whether we shall have Universal Military Training in the United States after the war ends.

### HIGHWAY SAFETY

Notwithstanding gasoline and tire restrictions, during the last several months automobile accidents have materially increased over one year ago. During the period the thirty-five mile limit was strongly enforced, accidents on highways dropped to a low level. Gradually there has been greater speed, resulting in increased accidents.

When the war ends and gasoline again becomes available, it is probable there will be greater highway use than before the war began, and it is expected accidents will show a marked increase. Highway safety councils have been organized, highway engineers have tried to use every precaution in road building to prevent accidents, but notwithstanding many safety measures, the toll of highway accidents, both in loss of life, bodily injury and loss of property may reach an appalling figure. Not only must there be strict enforcement of laws, but safe driving campaigns should be undertaken.

We are pleased to note that during the last few months heavy fines have been imposed on drunken drivers. Every person who operates an automobile on the highway while under the influence of liquor, is a menace to life and property. We are doubtful if fines will prevent a recurrence of drunken driving. It would seem to be advisable when a second offense occurs by the same person that a prison sentence be imposed, and the driver's license revoked.

The State Grange is represented on the State Highway safety council by Mr. Harry Barnes, a member of our State Executive Committee. While much can be done by such a council to prevent automobile accidents, it will be necessary to impose more severe penalties for drunken driving, and other serious violations of the law, to make driving an automobile on the highway as safe as possible.

### MARKETING

During this marketing season there have been heavy losses in some farm commodities. Estimates indicate 100,000 tons of canning peaches were lost, due largely to



lack of adequate storage. At this writing the producers of onions are facing a serious problem. A large volume of onions are still in the fields, and reports reaching this office indicate there has been deterioration to such an extent it will be necessary to resack a large part of the crops. This means that growers will suffer a substantial loss unless immediate relief is available. Again the lack of storage is the principal difficulty. While we realize the requirements of the military forces and lend lease must have first call on cold storage, it appears there have been unnecessary delays in moving commodities from storage, and making space available for new crops. If cold storage facilities had been available a large part of the peaches lost could have been saved, and the onion producers would not have suffered the losses they are now facing. A strong effort is being made to provide facilities for storing the onion crop, but because of large government stocks held in storage it is difficult to find available space.

On October 6th, of this year fruit growers of Placer and Nevada Counties held a meeting in Mt. Vernon Grange Hall, to organize for F. O. B. sales for California fruits. Notwithstanding the very high prices which the consuming public is paying for fruit, a number of plum producers in Placer County received red ink returns, in other words, the growers sacrificed their crops and paid freight to have it delivered to an eastern market. Organizing for F. O. B. sales can be effective only if the growers interested will hold together on a marketing program. The State Grange will give every assistance possible to the growers interested in this movement.

There is probably no marketing plan which has brought more distress to California farmers than shipping their products on consignment to a market 3,000 miles away with organized buying on the other end. This condition can be remedied only if we have the determined cooperation of producers.

At present there are three different laws on the statute books of this state, providing for marketing programs by Producers—the California Marketing Act, the Agricultural Products Marketing Act and the California Pro-rate Act. The California Marketing Act was sponsored by the State Grange, and is recognized as the most acceptable for mar-

keting programs, or agreements. It is the only one of the three laws where the marketing agreement must be sent to every producer interested, and the producer has the right for individual vote. This is the only sound policy. To permit cooperative groups or other organizations to sign for their membership, does not give the individual grower the right to determine if he wishes to participate in the marketing order. Having three different marketing laws in the state has led to much confusion among producers, as to which is the most acceptable act for them to use. We therefore suggest this convention reaffirm the action taken during a former State Grange session that two of these laws be repealed.

Since the first resolution calling for a marketing law was passed by the State Grange Session held in Fresno in 1932, we have adhered strictly to one principle in marketing laws, namely, no marketing agreement or order should become effective unless each individual grower has had an opportunity to vote. It is probable after the war ends and farm surpluses begin to appear, the agricultural Adjustment Act will again become operative, and federal marketing agreements again may be undertaken for those crops produced in several states. Under former marketing agreements it was not unusual for federal agencies interested in the program to propagandize farmers to vote for a marketing order or agreement. This practice should be definitely stopped, especially some of the propaganda indicating that unless farmers approved the agreement it would be impossible for them to market their crops.

We urge this delegate body to give careful consideration to marketing laws and plans, both state and federal.

#### WORLD PEACE

Conferences between four powers of the Allied Nations regarding world peace so far have brought forth no definite or final conclusions. The plan which seems to have the most support is to maintain peace through an international police force, in other words, by military control. A peace must be based on stern justice, but if hate should enter into its decisions it cannot last.

During this war when thousands of young men were dying on the battle fields a group of international financiers



were meeting in Switzerland. There not only the Allied, but the Axis powers seemed to meet in complete equality. The Allied powers may try to police the world by force, or by international agreement. We may try to preserve peace through economic sanctions, but until the world breaks down this international money trust, who make peace or start wars, the world will not long remain at peace. It is apparent they have no compunction about accepting blood stained dollars. With them war is a business. In other words, one of the first steps the world must take to preserve peace is to take the profit out of war.

We believe America should take its place in some type of international agreement, and we should strive to have the rest of the world understand and accept the principle of a democracy. If this can be done it will be one of the greatest steps towards world peace that can be taken.

#### TAXATION

During the 1943 State Grange Convention the delegate body adopted a resolution providing that a bill be presented to the Legislature, restoring all the tax reductions made by the 1943 session of the California Legislature. Such a bill cannot be presented until Legislature convenes in January, 1945.

As stated in last year's report from this office, notwithstanding, there is now a large surplus in the State Treasury, the state does not have a sound fiscal policy. It is generally recognized the surplus in State Funds is due to abnormal conditions resulting from the war. When revenues of the state return to an income under normal conditions there will be a deficit in the State Treasury, in other words, the State expenses will exceed the income.

For several years the State Grange has advocated a complete revision of taxation in California. It would be very difficult to bring about such a change during the war period or until the state's revenue return to normal. We believe this session of the State Grange should reaffirm the position taken on taxation in former State Grange sessions.

During the year an attempt was made to interfere with the cooperative movement through taxation, based on the argument that the cooperatives were competing with other business, and should be taxed on dividends paid to pa-

trons. The bill finally passed by Congress provides that all cooperatives must file a claim for exemption from income tax with the Commissioner of Internal Revenue. While the advocates of this tax plan stated their intentions were to compel cooperatives to pay the same taxes as other business, it is apparent the major reason was to interfere with the growth of the cooperative movement in the United States. Using taxation for such a purpose should be vigorously condemned.

An attempt is being made to amend the Constitution of the United States providing Congress shall be limited to 25% in taxing incomes. Reports reaching this office indicate that a number of States have already given their approval to such a Constitutional Amendment. For many years the National Grange and State Granges have advocated that taxes be based on the ability to pay. The one tax that comes nearest to this plan is income tax. Another Constitutional Amendment is being presented to limit government expenditures after the war ends requiring that any funds in excess of the limitation must be approved by three-fifths of both Houses of Congress. Considering the long procedure that must be followed in amending the Constitution of the United States, namely, the proposed amendment must receive approval of two-thirds of both Houses of Congress and be approved by three-fourths of the states, it would seem undesirable to place rigid limitation on either income taxes or expenditures by the Government. The income tax limitation would greatly reduce the national income during the period when we will have the largest national debt in the history of the United States, and the second limitation would make it impossible for the government to make expenditures to meet an emergency which might arise unless approved by three-fifths of both houses. We believe Congress can be trusted with the expenditures the nation may need, and income taxes should not be limited to such a low figure by Constitutional Amendment.

Reports reaching our office indicate there is another movement underway to greatly reduce, if not completely eliminate taxes on the profits of corporations, based on the theory that they should be allowed to retain funds otherwise paid in taxes to expand their business, and thus



give additional employment to labor. We believe this proposal to be wholly unsound. When the war ends and the people of the United States are confronted with the staggering tax burden of paying the interest on the national debt, and other costs of government, every effort must be made to equalize taxation, and if we adhere to the principle that the tax be based on the ability to pay, everyone will pay their just share.

In local governments, and the Federal Government, the greatest economy in the expenditure must be undertaken, consistent with a progressive government, but we must not allow such economy to interfere with the welfare of the people of the United States. We, therefore, urge this convention not only to reaffirm the former declaration on taxation, but to give careful consideration to the proposals to amend the Constitution of the United States to limit taxation when such limitation interferes with the ability to pay, or impairs the freedom of the government to meet all needs for government expenditures.

### AGRICULTURE

During the year there has apparently been a change in the attitude of the producers of some farm commodities towards subsidies. While the farmers feel that to some extent subsidies were forced upon them by fixing price ceilings below the cost of production, they seem to feel either the price ceilings must be lifted or they cannot continue to produce without subsidies. When in 1933 the farmers of the United States first accepted federal payments, based mostly on soil conservation, it brought about a marked change in the attitude of the American farmers toward government aid. In recent years when a commodity is in distress, all letters, wires, or telephone calls from producers are almost in their entirety based on their request for government aid.

When the war ends and the millions now employed in war plants are out of that type of employment and the civilian purchasing diminishes, agriculture in the United States may again find itself confronted with surpluses. It is important that we avoid the conditions which grew out of the depression, when we attempted to pay farmers not to produce, and labor not to work. Neither the California State Grange, nor the National Grange have ever

given approval to the fallacy of economic scarcity in trying to raise farm prices by curtailment of production or destruction of large quantities of food. The disposal of surplus commodities now on hand is discussed in another part of this report. Congress has virtually promised to maintain farm prices in the United States at 90% of parity for two years after the war ends, based on the probable price levels for farm products. Estimates have been made by officials in Washington that the cost of maintaining such a program will be from one and a half to two billion dollars. Difficulties lie ahead for such a program, if farm prices are maintained at such a level, it is only reasonable to expect that consumer groups will vigorously protest, especially if wages and other income have dropped. Congress, through committees, is making a careful study of this whole program. If the federal government expends one and a half to two billion dollars to maintain 90% parity price level for farm commodities, it is only reasonable to expect there will be rigid control of food production and distribution by the government. It can be readily understood the government could not afford to make such appropriations and then allow the farmers of the nation to produce any commodity they wished in any volume. American agriculture should understand that if they expect to get this type of federal aid from Congress it will be necessary for them to submit to controls which may be distasteful to many of the producers in the United States. It should be kept in mind there is a United States Supreme Court decision which declares, where the government gives, the government can regulate. Unless we are to drift into complete government regulation of American agriculture, it is necessary that farmers undertake, through cooperative enterprise and organization, the distribution of farm commodities. Farmers cannot expect subsidies from the federal government to place a floor under farm prices without regulation.

#### POST WAR

Today probably no one can name an exact date when the war will end. Military authorities have publicly expressed the opinion the war in Europe would probably be over before the end of the year, but that it might take anywhere from one year to one and a half years to win



the war with Japan. We will win the war, and when that hoped for order comes to cease firing, and demobilization of military forces begins, and the United States is confronted with the necessity of changing from war to peace time economy, problems will arise which will be a greater threat to American democracy than any arising out of war. Agriculture will be confronted with new and complex problems. Industry and labor will likewise need solutions of their relationships.

The United States will go into the post war period with the largest debt in our national history. It is only through the cooperation of the three great economic groups, agriculture, labor and industry that the economic problems of the nation can be met. Production must be kept at a high level in order that the income of the nation is large enough to make it possible to meet the heavy drain on earnings for interest on the national debt, and other government costs.

When peace comes we will be living in a new world and there will be inevitable changes in our internal economic affairs. There will be the problem of new world relationships. We believe America must take her place among the nations of the world in an attempt to set up an order which may prevent future wars, but in doing this we should be careful we do not sacrifice the high ideals of American democracy. Suggestions range all the way from allowing all goods and all people to come to the United States without hindrance, to engaging in a struggle for foreign markets to get export trade. The first of these can be dismissed. America can never withstand the impact of such a plan. Neither is it possible for America to lift the living standards of the rest of the world to those of the United States.

If we are to retain democracy we must recognize and reward individual effort, in order that American enterprise may continue to go forward, but in a democracy we must also adhere to the principle that there must be restraint upon the strong, and assistance for the weak.

As we move into the postwar period it is evident two groups are in danger, the home owning farmer and the small business man. If these two groups are destroyed

we will lose our democracy from within. The right of home ownership must be maintained.

In going through a great war to victory there is always danger that we may absorb some of the very ideologies which we are fighting to destroy. Under the guise of free enterprise some large interests seem to be of the opinion they should be allowed to take what they can get, and hold it no matter how oppressive it may be for other groups. American enterprise based on the reward of individual effort and justice to all is a far better term.

In the post war period California and American agriculture can no longer stand apart from other economic groups, but must take its place in the forward movement in economic, social and educational enterprises.

The Grange has always recognized the interest of the producer and consumer are inseparable. Willingness to cooperate with other economic groups and striving to maintain a home owning farm population is the safest course for American Agriculture in the post war period.

#### IN MEMORIAM

During the year many Grange homes have been saddened by the loss of loved ones. Some of these have given their lives in the line of duty in defense of the ideals of our country.

For the first time in many years death has entered the circle of officials of the California State Grange in the passing of Charles H. McLaughlin, our gate-keeper.

It is peculiarly appropriate this busy State Grange Convention should pause in its labors to pay tribute to our departed members. On Thursday appropriate memorial services will be conducted by the Chaplain of the State Grange.

#### CONCLUSION

There is no industry which faces greater problems in adjustment from war to peace time economy than agriculture. During the war period the farmers of the United States have successfully responded to the requirements of greater production to meet the needs of the military forces, lend lease and civilian population, despite shortages of equipment and labor. American agriculture



in every instance has exceeded the goals set by the War Food Administration.

We must make every effort to avoid the difficulties which grew out of farm surpluses. To again engage in the destruction of vast quantities of commodities is not only undesirable, but may lead to serious consequences. Agricultural production must be kept at a high level, labor must be employed at good wages, and industry must go forward with new enterprises, if we are to meet the heavy obligations growing out of the war.

We have no patience with those organizations or individuals who are attempting, even in time of war, to build up class differences and hatred in the United States. If we are to preserve our democracy it will require a unified effort of all the economic groups.

Some economists seem to be of the opinion the United States cannot avoid another depression. We have also frequently heard the statement in recent months depressions come and go. If we approach the post war period with a feeling of defeatism that another depression is inevitable, it will probably come, but if we have courage to meet the post war problems in a sound way, a depression can be avoided. Surely we should be able to profit by the lessons in the past. We are not pessimistic, but there is a grave doubt as to whether the United States can survive another depression such as developed in 1930, and continued for a number of years. Frequently we have also heard the statement that America must go back; America will not go back. Changes in our economic structure are inevitable. It is our problem to assist in guiding these changes into sound constructive channels. Corporation farming with its labor barracks, and its lack of community life must not be allowed to dominate American agriculture. While the opinion is frequently expressed that owing to mechanized agriculture the small farm can no longer compete in production or distribution, this problem, if it exists, can be easily met by cooperation. New uses for agriculture products and new development for agriculture are almost unlimited.

Through the complexities and uncertainties which may assail the farmers of the United States in the post war period, we must maintain a sound rural community life.

Here in this State Grange Convention we will dedicate ourselves anew to maintaining a home owning farm population in the United States.

Fraternally submitted,

GEORGE SEHLMAYER  
Master, California State Grange.

The report of the Worthy State Master was referred to the Committee on Division of Labor.

The State Master resumed his station and recess was declared at an end.

The regular order of business continued, with the following reports of officers being heard:

#### OVERSEER'S REPORT

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

Another successful Grange year of accomplishments has come to a close and we are here assembled to work out plans for the Grange for the year ahead. This is the third State Grange session since America has been drawn into World War II. It seems each day brings greater problems for Agriculture, also greater responsibilities for the Grange than ever before. Farmers, must recognize the need to advance agriculture to its rightful position of leadership in the affairs of the Nation to work out a sound economic structure.

The duties of this office have not been arduous as the administration of details of the Grange is the job of the Worthy Master. His task has been a most strenuous one, but it must be gratifying to him that the Grange has again made splendid progress this year. The duties of overseer, is to see that the orders of the Master are faithfully transmitted to the membership. Surely, it is not to advance matters of policy to the delegates, however, to be interested in the future progress of the Grange and agriculture is within the scope of every Grange offi-



cer from the lowest to the highest degree. That there is need for improvement for the economic life of the farmer goes without saying.

These remarks are principally to emphasize the importance of having Grange membership discuss freely the problems affecting agriculture, in order to bring about beneficial changes. The Grange hall is the ideal place for discussing and debating local and National issues. There is no better way to serve agriculture and the Nation, even in war time. It is regrettable some farmers as yet have not recognized this important part of their business. Many problems, some far reaching in effect, should be better understood than they are at the present time. The transition period from a war to a peace time economy will present many complex problems. Events will move very rapidly. During this period, unless agriculture is prepared with a program and is alert, other economic forces surely will not overlook this as an opportunity to serve their desires.

In this change over, Agriculture must not only improve upon gains made in soil conservation practices, farm chemistry research, development of public power and water, but it must constantly strive for a more balanced economy for the farmer. As difficult as the reconversion problem may seem, there should be no basis for fear as to the final outcome, if there is enough sound reasoning at the grass roots in the formulating of a balanced program. The Grange must be vigilant to get the facts before the people.

Grange objectives such as decreasing farm tenancy and to bring about less corporate type farming and more of the family type are excellent topics for discussions. Better schools, churches and homes are needed in many sections of the country. There is considerable room for advancement for more conveniences which make for less drudgery—things which the development of publicly owned hydro-electric power and the extension of the R. E. A. can bring to rural homes. The finding of the best way to accomplish these and other things for agriculture is for the Grange membership to discuss and to decide upon.

Farmers would do well to go to Grange meetings, sit down with his neighbor and friends to discuss matters

with them until an agreement has been reached, not only what to ask for but how to achieve what they want. The effectiveness of the California State Grange depends upon how well subordinate and Pomona Granges are organized. There is no greater obligation fallen to Grange leaders than to arouse farm folks to think hard and clearly on the issues of the day—to discuss them and then to unite behind a common purpose, to bring about a better economic condition for agriculture.

A Grange convention, in addition to being an occasion to discuss and act upon the important problems of agriculture, serves as a home-coming; as an opportunity for a reunion of old friendships and to make new ones. How fortunate we are to be able to lay aside our work on the farm to be assembled here, to plan the Grange program and to enjoy the fraternal good fellowship of our Order.

Fraternally submitted,  
EDWIN KOSTER, Overseer  
California State Grange

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### STATE LECTURER'S REPORT

Worthy Master, Officers and Members of California State Grange:

Due to the resignation of Sister Uriel Shields, as State Grange Lecturer, our Worthy Master, Brother Sehlmeier, has bestowed upon me the great honor to serve as Lecturer during this Grange session.

I greatly appreciate this honor. This appointment was quite unexpected and received only a little over a week ago, therefore, I have had very short time for preparation.

The Office of Lecturer is very important in our Grange work and the field for accomplishments is unlimited. Much of the responsibility for Grange membership and attendance falls to the Lecturer, therefore, she must constantly be on the alert for practical, constructive, entertaining and service-rendering programs.

I wish to again express my appreciation, and to greet



all of you at this 72nd Session of California State Grange.

Fraternally submitted,

HILDA L. ATKINS, Lecturer  
California State Grange

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### STEWARD'S REPORT

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

Another year has come and gone, and again we gather in our State Capitol to consider the problems that confront agriculture in a nation at war. Many of our homes are saddened by the loss of loved ones; many more are dreading what the next post may bring, but freedom must live, and our sons must fight.

When the call came for the production of more food and fiber, the agriculturist regardless of profit responded in no uncertain manner. He had no time for strikes, lock outs, nor cost plus, increased production was his goal; and now with our boys on the fighting fronts fed as no armies have been fed before, with the hungry of other lands provided for with a generous hand, with a adequate supply on the home front, we have gathered here to devise ways and means to lighten the burdens that not only sap the physical strength but confiscates the homes of the tillers of the soil. Our cause is just, we do not ask for special privileges, but we do demand fair play.

Hoping that at the close of this annual session of the California State Grange we may again be able to point with pride to a program that will safely lead California agriculture through the dangerous days that lie ahead. I plead with you to be honest, be just and fear not.

Again I thank you for the privilege of serving you as Steward, if there is anything we can do to add to your comfort just let us know.

Yours Fraternaly,

ED HILL, Steward  
California State Grange

### ASSISTANT STEWARD'S REPORT

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

I am indeed highly honored to be your Assistant Steward and I shall continue to do everything in my power to fulfill the duties of this office.

May this, our Seventy-second session, be a most pleasant and successful Convention.

Faternally submitted,

W. G. LACAILLE, Assistant Steward  
California State Grange

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### CHAPLAIN'S REPORT

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

It is an honor to serve as your chaplain and I feel it is a great privilege to meet each other here for work in this glorious cause. May we have Divine guidance in the prudence and wisdom of our deliberations and decisions. Conditions that face the nation today are a challenge to the courage and faith of the people. This past year has been a trying anxious one. Many homes have been touched with sadness and bereavement, which has caused them to prayerfully consider the words of Christ Jesus, who gave us the promise of everlasting life, if we have the faith to believe. We know that death is not the end of life, all the teachings of nature are our assurance.

It is gratifying to see that all Christian nations have been asking for Divine guidance, and are relying more than ever upon the Holy Bible. It is the only solid rock on which to build their future. Its pattern of living is the only one that will bring an everlasting and victorious peace to mankind.

So let us fulfill the law of Christ by being kind, sharing others' burdens, loving one another and exemplifying the golden rule in our daily lives.

For it is only the memory of our life and deeds here that keeps us ever living with those we leave behind.



God give us strength to be true to him and to each other.

Fraternally,  
LETA LITTLER, Chaplain  
California State Grange

### TREASURER'S REPORT

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

Herewith I submit the following report of the finances of the California State Grange for the year ending September 30, 1944.

#### GENERAL FUND

Two Bonds (California Consumers 6%) .....	\$ 2,000.00	
Pacific States Savings (Pass Book) .....	1,064.29	
Pacific States Savings, Dividend .....	130.27	
Bills receivable (Grangers' Business Org. ....)	5,000.00	
	\$ 8,194.56	\$ 8,194.56

#### CASH RECEIPTS

Bank Balance (beginning of year)	\$11,315.48	
Received from Secretary (Oct. 28, '43) .....	6,000.00	
(March 3, '44) .....	8,000.00	
(June 30, '44) .....	10,000.00	
(Oct. 2, '44) .....	6,000.00	
	\$41,315.48	\$41,315.48

#### DISBURSEMENTS

As per Secretary's Warrants .....	\$23,687.64	
		\$17,627.84

## EXTENSION FUND

Bank Balance (beginning of year) \$ 2,266.58

Received from Secretary (Oct. 28,  
     '43) ..... 500.00  
     (March 3, '44) ..... 500.00  
     (Sept. 29, '44) ..... 1,314.20

4,580.78

Disbursements ..... 3,008.78

Bank Balance ..... \$ 1,572.00

## EDUCATIONAL FUND

Savings Account (Bank Balance) \$ 1,818.73

December 31, '43 Interest 8.34

June 30, '44 Interest ..... 8.63

September 29, Deposit ..... 766.75

Bank Balance (savings account) \$ 2,602.45

Five Notes ..... 925.00

\$ 3,527.45

## BUILDING FUND

Savings Account (Bank Balance) \$ 107.28

Interest ..... 1.26

Deposit ..... 189.23

1 Bond (Cash value) ..... 18.75

Bank Balance ..... \$ 316.52

Total Resources ..... \$31,238.37

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

## SECRETARY'S REPORT

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

Completing a year of service as your secretary, it is with a feeling of sincere appreciation for the confidence you placed in me, that I now present my report on activities and progress of the past year.



During the Grange year just closed Klamath Valley Grange, Del Norte county, was organized with 41 charter members. Springville Grange, Tulare county, with 46 members signing the roll. Marshall Grange, El Dorado county, was re-organized with 40 members and Perris Valley Grange in Riverside county, with 37 charter members.

Three new Juvenile Granges have been added to our list. Potter Valley and Ukiah Juvenile Granges were organized by District Deputy H. A. Dickey. Los Molinos Juvenile was organized by District Deputy John Deming of Tehama county.

### MEMBERSHIP

Tabulation of Subordinate Granges show a large increase in membership, 25,340 members in good standing as of June 30, 1944, compared with 22,473 subordinate membership a year ago—a net increase of 2,867 members. Pomona membership is 6,486 and Juvenile membership is 517 as reported to the National Secretary on June 30, 1944.

One hundred and forty-nine Granges made the goal in the membership building campaign, and many more made substantial gains, only lacking a few to make their quota.

This splendid gain is evidence of what a sound membership building campaign, progressive leadership, cooperative activities and a sound and constructive program for agriculture can do to bring about this healthy condition of our Order.

Many secretaries have informed us that they are maintaining the good standing of all members who have entered the Service of our Country, by remitting the dues to the State Grange. It is a splendid idea to retain these Brothers and Sisters in good standing in their respective Granges until they return from the service. Let us hope that not a single member now in the Service be dropped from the rolls while he or she is making the great sacrifice for the preservation of our Democracy. Let us honor them in every way possible, and pray for their safe return to homes and Granges.

### HALL DEDICATIONS

Granges within the state having dedicated their halls

and consecrated them to the service of the Grange are: Stratford Grange No. 559, Eel River Valley No. 502 and Millville Grange No. 443. This makes 114 Granges owning their own halls.

### SILVER STAR CERTIFICATES

This year Silver Star Certificates have been awarded to Anna B. Dashiell, Thad W. Dashiell, Minnie Parriott, John P. Nielsen and L. J. Gamble, all of Guenoc Grange No. 373.

Emma H. Nicholson, Wm. T. Eipper, Jr., Lulu C. Eipper, Elizabeth Faes, Maybell Priest, Arthur Sallows, Josephine Sallows, Louis Addoto, Mabel Stirling and Robert Stirling of Aromas Grange No. 361.

Miss Anita M. Rose, Lottie Patteson, Fred Patteson, and Melvin Wilson of Geyserville Grange No. 312.

Henry Merwin of Sacramento Grange No. 12.

Many requests were received for Silver Star Pins, however, this pin is not available for the duration. When it is again in stock this office will be glad to supply all requests.

### GOLDEN SHEAF CERTIFICATES

This year we received a request for a Golden Sheaf Certificate for Courtney N. Snyder of Ukiah Grange No. 419, Mendocino County. We urge all Granges having Golden Sheaf Members to accord them due recognition for members having served the Order faithfully for fifty years.

### HONOR GRANGES

Yucaipa Valley Grange No. 582 and Hilmar Grange No. 537 applied for Honor Certificates for the first time. Fonbloom Grange No. 602 qualified as an Honor Grange for the fifth consecutive year. Farmersville Juvenile Grange No. 52 qualified as an Honor Grange this year and received their Honor Certificate.

Difficulty in securing many supplies has proven a handicap to us during recent months, placing us in a position of being unable at times to immediately fill the orders received from the various Granges.

I wish to express my sincere appreciation to all the Secretaries of our Granges for the faithful performance



of their duties and to all other officers and members whom I have had the pleasure of meeting and working with during the past year.

### FINANCIAL STATEMENT—GENERAL FUND

Balance Sept. 30, 1943 ..... \$15,320.94

#### Receipts

Fees and Dues .....	\$23,724.50	
National Grange .....	300.00	
Grangers Business Orgn. ....	1,697.98	
Grange News .....	647.70	
California Consumers Corp. ....	100.00	
Fifth and Sixth Degree Appl. ....	411.00	
Supplies .....	794.11	
Miscellaneous .....	1,588.70	\$29,263.99

\$44,584.93

Total Disbursements as per warrants in Journal \$23,687.64

Total Assets .....	20,897.29
Cash on hand in Sec's Bank .....	3,269.45

Treasurer's Bal. ....	\$17,627.84
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### FINANCIAL STATEMENT—EXTENSION FUND

#### Receipts

Balance Sept. 30, 1943 .....	\$ 2,836.58	
Farmers Underwriters Assn. ....	2,314.20	
Total Receipts .....	\$ 5,150.78	\$ 5,150.78

#### Disbursements

Organization and Miscellaneous Exp. ....	\$ 3,008.78	\$ 3,008.78
Total Assets .....	\$ 2,142.00	
Cash on hand in Sec'y Bank .....	570.00	
Treasurer's Balance .....	\$ 1,572.00	

## FINANCIAL STATEMENT—EDUCATIONAL FUND

Balance Sept. 30, 1943 .....	\$ 3,294.73
Eight notes on hand .....	1,425.00
Sept. 30, 1943 cash assets .....	\$ 1,869.73
Contributions .....	\$ 175.75
Three notes and interest paid .....	591.00
Interest on Savings (Pass Book) .....	16.97
Cash Assets Sept. 30, 1944 .....	\$ 2,653.45
Five notes on hand .....	925.00
Total Assets Sept. 30, 1944 .....	\$ 3,578.45
Cash on hand in Sec'y Bank .....	51.00
Treasurer's Balance .....	\$ 3,527.45

## FINANCIAL STATEMENT—BUILDING FUND

Balance Sept. 30, 1943 .....	\$ 107.28
Receipts .....	189.23
Interest (Pass Book) .....	1.26
Cash Assets .....	\$ 297.77
1 Bond (cash value) .....	18.75
Net Assets .....	\$ 316.52

Fraternally submitted,

CELIA M. HARDING, Secretary  
California State Grange

## GATE KEEPER'S REPORT

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

It is with great joy that I accepted the appointment, to serve you as Gate Keeper for this Seventy-second Annual



Convention, and I am very happy to be able to do my bit for the California State Grange.

Fraternally submitted,

A. J. CRANDALL, Gate Keeper  
California State Grange

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### CERES' REPORT

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

I wish to express my gratitude for the honor of serving at the station of Ceres. As you know, Ceres, in Roman mythology, was goddess of the harvest of grains.

As we meet at this 72nd Convention, let us liken it, in our minds to the harvest. May we garner much wisdom and many new friends to be remembered through the years to come.

Fraternally submitted,

ESTELLE MENSINGER, Ceres  
California State Grange

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### 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, I bring you greetings.

This is my first year to serve you as Worthy State Flora. I deem it a rare privilege, a pleasure and an honor to greet you, and to assist in carrying on the work of this seventy-second convention of our State Grange.

It is my desire to be found faithful in the performance of my duties.

Fraternally submitted,

VERA I. BLAKELEY, Flora  
California State Grange

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### LADY ASSISTANT STEWARD'S REPORT

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

It is indeed a pleasure to serve as your Lady Assistant Steward and I wish to extend my thanks to the delegate body for this privilege—for it is as a reward and a rest after a heavy season of farm work, which has kept us far too busy.

I wish to say I did serve as chairman for my community on the Fifth War Loan Drive and did my best at selling bonds.

The outlook is for perfect weather for our convention. May you have an enjoyable and successful convention. While here if in need of any assistance you may call on this Office.

Fraternally,

MARGARET ROBINSON, Lady Ass't Steward  
California State Grange



**PIANIST'S REPORT**

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

It is grand to be here with all my old friends, and I hope to make many new ones.

I extend my sincere wish for the largest and best convention.

Fraternally submitted,  
CLAUDINE HOLMES, Pianist  
California State Grange

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It was moved by Brother Wardlow, seconded by Brother Holmes that the minutes of the Executive Committee be printed in the Journal without reading. Motion carried.

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT**

(Minutes)

California State Grange Office  
Sacramento, California,  
October 28, 1943.

The executive committee met on call of the Master at 11:00 a. m., State Master Sehlmeier presiding. Brothers Harry Barnes, Geo. A. Critchett and W. L. Smith being present. The State Secretary was also present.

Minutes of the previous meeting held on Oct. 11 were read and approved.

Mable Glenn, State Home Economics Chairman, appeared before the committee and gave a detailed report of her work of the past year, contests and exhibits at the State Convention and expenses of same. She stated the "State Grange Building Fund" is to be the new work of H. E. Clubs for the coming year and asked the committee to work out a plan whereby a certificate could be issued for each contribution made by clubs to this fund during the year.

Moved by Brother Critchett, seconded by Brother Smith, the report of the Home Economics Chairman be approved. Motion carried. The executive committeemen were very liberal in their praise of the work being done by Sister Glenn and her committee and expressed their gratitude to Sister Glenn for their untiring efforts in this work.

The journal of the last day's session of the California State Grange was read by the secretary and approved by the executive committee.

Brother Hunt appeared before the executive committee and asked for an \$80.00 per year increase in salary.

State Master Sehlmeier reported the O. P. A. had decreased the gas allowance for the State Grange cars for State Deputies' use, making it impossible to keep two State Deputies in the field. He advised it would be necessary to appoint a deputy for Ventura and San Benito counties.

State Deputy Koster was present to explain a plan to increase membership for the coming year, the State Master having asked him to present such a plan. Under this plan the goal for the membership gain would be 2,500 net gain from June 30, 1943, to June 30, 1944. Moved by Brother Barnes, seconded by Brother Smith, the State Grange initiate a membership campaign allowing each grange with a 10% net gain, plus one, be refunded the State Grange share of the membership fee. For all members gained over the quota, 25c additional will be allowed. In addition an Honor Roll to be established in each Grange and County and the winner in the state to be given a free trip to the 1944 State Convention. Motion carried.

A report from C. R. C. Jarratt, Editor of the California Grange News, was read by the Worthy State Master, giving a detailed report of the paper.

It was the unanimous opinion of the committee that the State Grange, as well as all Granges in California, should devote more time and effort to assisting the Future Farmer movement in the state. It was further recommended that the State Master appoint a "Youth Committee" in the State Grange to further this work.

Moved by Brother Barnes, seconded by Brother Smith, that the Master of the State Grange be authorized to institute proceedings to prevent the execution of a contract between the Water Authority of California and the Central Valleys Project Association, designating such association as the Promotion Agency for the Central Valleys Project. Motion carried.

After some discussion it was moved by Brother Smith, seconded by Brother Barnes, the executive committee authorize the campaign of bond selling in co-operation with



the Treasury Department, providing satisfactory arrangements can be worked out. Motion carried.

Moved by Brother Smith, seconded by Brother Barnes, that the State Grange pay \$50.00 to Millville Juvenile Grange for the dedication of their fine new hall. Motion carried.

After due consideration it was decided to allow State Deputy Koster to attend the National Grange Convention at Grand Rapids, Michigan. Moved by Brother Barnes, seconded by Brother Smith, that Brother Koster be allowed a maximum of \$140.00 for the trip. Motion carried.

Moved by Brother Smith, seconded by Brother Barnes, that an increase in salary of \$40.00 annually be granted the State Grange Treasurer, Brother Hunt. Motion carried.

Bills audited and paid since the previous meeting are as follows:

Warrant No.	To Whom Issued	Amount
6544	The Morrissey Co., Oct. rent.....	\$150.00
6551	Celia M. Harding (Northern Calif. conf. trip) .....	12.50
6552	Celia M. Harding, postage and telegrams..	14.45
6553	Fowler Ensign, manila envelopes and chip-board .....	42.44
6554 to		
6903	Mileage and per diem state convention and miscellaneous exp. ....	
6904	Collector of Internal Revenue .....	235 27
6905	Collector of Internal Revenue .....	61.74
6906	Collector of Internal Revenue.....	77.17
6907	Muriel Anderson, Oct. salary less tax and convention overtime .....	136.28
6908	Edna Conrad, assembling resolutions .....	10.65
6909	Dora Arnold, secretary work .....	12.16
6910	N. M. Barina, apples for Feast of Pomona..	28.00
6911	Uriel Shields, salary and exp. quarter ending Sept. 30 .....	56.30
6912	Bank of America, imprinted checks.....	3.20
6913	Harold Shay, flowers Memorial Service .....	54.80
6914	The Morrissey Co., November rent .....	150.00
6915	M. T. Hunt, balance due on 1942-3 salary..	60.00
6916	Celia M. Harding, October salary, less tax	80.60

6917	Geo. A. Critchett, ex. meeting 10/28/43....	10.61
6918	Harry A. Caton, supplies .....	14.50
6919	Calif. Grange News, subsc. new members .....	13.50
6920	Fowler Ensign, printing and envelopes ....	78.36
6921	J. R. Wilson, postage .....	19.50
6922	Celia M. Harding, September salary less tax .....	80.60
6923	Celia M. Harding, ex. meeting 10/28/43 ....	12.00
6924	Harry Barnes, ex. meeting 10/28/43 .....	12.43
6925	Pacific Tel. and Tel., October bill .....	57.34
6926	Mabel Glenn, H. E. C. exp. 1943 and three conference trips .....	37.56
6927	Yucaipa Valley Grange, special prize mem. const. ....	10.00
6928	Millville Juvenile Grange, hall dedication ....	50.00
6929	Ione Grange, H. E. C. prizes .....	7.50
6930	Humboldt Grange, H. E. C. prizes .....	6.00
6931	Santa Clara Pomona, H. E. C. prizes .....	5.50
6932	Rio Linda Grange, H. E. C. prizes .....	5.00
6933	San Bernardino Pomona, H. E. C. prizes.....	4.50
6934	Merced Pomona, H. E. C. prizes .....	4.00
6935	San Luis Obispo Pomona, H. E. C. prizes ..	3.50
6936	Stanislaus Pomona, H. E. C. prizes .....	3.00
6937	San Joaquin Pomona, H. E. C. prizes .....	2.50
6938	Santa Cruz Pomona, H. E. C. prizes .....	2.00
6939	Kern Pomona, H. E. C. prizes .....	1.50
6940	Los Angeles Pomona, H. E. C. prizes .....	1.00
6941	Merced Pomona, H. E. C. prizes .....	2.50
6942	Cordie M. Hannah, H. E. C. prizes .....	1.50
6943	Merced Pomona, H. E. C. prizes .....	2.50
6944	San Luis Obispo, H. E. C. prizes .....	1.50
6945	Stanislaus Pomona, H. E. C. prize .....	1.00
6946	Escalon, H. E. C. prize .....	5.00
6947	East Palo Alto, H. E. C. prize .....	3.00
6948	Kern Pomona, H. E. C. prize .....	3.00
6949	Ione, H. E. C. prize .....	2.00
6950	McArthur, H. E. C. prize .....	1.00
6951	Fonbloom, H. E. C. prize .....	2.50
6952	Caruthers, H. E. C. prize .....	1.50
6953	Sonoma Pomona, H. E. C. prize .....	2.50
6954	Santa Clara Pomona, H. E. C. prize .....	1.50
6955	Fresno Pomona, H. E. C. prize .....	1.00
6956	Harry A. Caton, Sept. 30, quarterly dues....	607.98



110 E	Edwin Koster, salary Oct. 1 to 15 less tax..	97.20
111 E	Edwin Koster, car expense .....	9.63
112 E	Edwin Koster, salary Oct. 16 to 31 less tax	97.20
113 E	Edwin Koster, car expense .....	17.03
114 E	Edwin Koster .....	140.00

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,  
November 23, 1943

At 11:00 o'clock A. M. the Master of the California State Grange, George Sehlmeier, called a meeting of the State Grange Executive Committee to order, members present were Harry Barnes, Geo. A. Critchett and the State Secretary. W. L. Smith was absent due to lack of transportation. Minutes of the previous meeting held on Oct. 28 were read and approved.

A letter was read from Samuel J. Hume, Chairman Agricultural Division, War Finance Committee, Northern California, regarding a Bond Selling Campaign he is desirous of having the Grange carry on. The Grange to bear the cost of printing application forms for bonds. The Committee discussed at some length the advisability of using gas and tires for this work by State and County committees to organize and carry on this work.

Brother Barnes moved, seconded by Brother Critchett that the State Grange approve the Bond Selling Campaign providing the Treasury Committee provide proper applications without expense to the State Grange, and providing the O. P. A. furnish gas and tires necessary for State and County workers to organize and carry on this work. Motion carried.

The Resolutions on Education previously referred to the Executive Committee were discussed and action taken as follows:

Education No. 1, Resolution No. 33, National Health Insurance. Moved by Brother Barnes, seconded by Bro-

ther Critchett that action be deferred. Motion carried.

Education No. 2, Resolution No. 34, Batteries for Rural Radios. Approved by Committee.

Education No. 3, Resolution No. 35, Child Labor. Approved by Committee.

Education No. 4, Resolution No. 36, Compulsory Treatment of Venereal Diseases. Moved by Brother Barnes, seconded by Brother Critchett that action be deferred. Motion carried.

State Master Sehlmeier read a letter from the Secretary of Vista Grange stating they had been discriminated against in the Sales Slip Contest of 1942. After thorough investigation it was decided by the Committee that this is a case of misinterpretation of the rules governing the contest instead of discrimination. It was moved by Brother Critchett, seconded by Brother Barnes the State Master be instructed to write the Secretary of Vista Grange advising her the opinion of the Committee and send her a copy of the Dec. 20, 1941 issue of the California Grange News and refer her to the rules governing the contest, printed on page 10. Motion carried.

A communication was read by the Worthy State Master from Brother James White of Williams, relative to his handling the advertising for the California Grange News and at the same time serving as a State Grange Deputy. Brother Barnes moved, seconded by Brother Critchett that the communication be placed on file for further consideration. Motion carried.

A report from Brother C. R. C. Jarratt, Editor of the California Grange News, was read by the Worthy State Master, in which he stated The Bee cannot continue publishing the paper due to shortage of labor. After due consideration it was moved by Brother Critchett, seconded by Brother Barnes that the matter of printing the paper be left with the Worthy State Master to work out the best possible course to pursue. Motion carried.

A communication was read from L. H. Valentine addressed to the State Master, George Sehlmeier, Executive Committeemen, Harry Barnes, George A. Critchett and W. L. Smith, regarding the stand of the State Grange on matters in the State Grange program.

Moved by Brother Critchett, seconded by Brother



Barnes, that the State Master reply advising Brother Valentine that the parts of the Grange program to which he refers are a matter of record and refer him to the pages in the Journals of Proceedings where these matters are printed. Motion carried.

Moved by Brother Critchett, seconded by Brother Barnes that the Deputies Conference be authorized. The State Lecturer, State Secretary and State Juvenile Superintendent to meet with the Deputies and the State Home Economics Committee also to meet concurrently. Motion carried.

Bills audited and paid are as follows:

Warrant No.	To Whom Issued	Amount
6957	The Morrissey Co., December rent .....	\$150.00
6958	Calif. Grange News, Subs. new members....	5.25
6959	Ehmann Stationery Co. ....	12.31
6960	Muriel Anderson, Nov., salary, less tax .....	127.10
6961	Farmersville Grange, Hall dedication .....	50.00
6962	C. J. Bainbridge, supplies .....	56.70
6963	C. R. C. Jarratt, attending meeting for S. G.	9.10
6964	Geo. Sehlmeier, salary, July 1 to Sept. 30, less tax .....	707.97
6965	Walch & Day, Radio and Sound Service ....	45.00
6966	Geo. Sehlmeier, gas and oil, January 11 to August 31 .....	157.77
6967	Geo. Sehlmeier, travel exp., June and July	30.49

After discussing many items of Grange interest but taking no definite action, the Committee adjourned to meet again on call of the Worthy State Master.

Fraternally submitted,

CELIA M. HARDING, Secretary  
California State Grange

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California State Grange Office  
Sacramento, California,  
Feb. 10, 1944

State Master Sehlmeier called the State Grange Executive Committee to order at 11:00 A. M. Brothers

Barnes, Smith, Critchett and the State Secretary were present.

Minutes of the Executive Committee meeting held on November 23, 1943 were read and approved.

The Worthy State Master read a communication from the Japanese Deportation League requesting the endorsement of the State Grange. After some discussion it was moved by Brother Smith, seconded by Brother Barnes, that the position of the California State Grange, regarding the deportation of Japanese is well known, and the State Grange will cooperate with any group which is in accord with the Grange program, but will not endorse any group until we know the background. Motion carried.

The report of the Grange News was read to the Executive Committee and discussed at some length. Moved by Brother Critchett, seconded by Brother Smith, that in view of an existing emergency in the subscription list of the Grange News, the Executive Committee recommend former action of the State Grange be deferred and that the State Master be authorized to take necessary action to correct the condition until the matter can be placed more fully before the State Convention. Motion carried.

After due consideration it was moved by Brother Critchett, seconded by Brother Barnes, that the Peach Canning Association be abandoned and a committee be appointed to represent the State Grange. Motion carried.

Moved by Brother Barnes, seconded by Brother Smith that the request for printing H. E. C. leaflets, by the State Home Economics Chairman, Sister Glenn, be approved. Motion carried.

After considerable discussion it was moved by Brother Barnes, seconded by Brother Smith, that the 1941 and 1942 Plymouths be sold and a new car purchased; the State Master to be authorized to make the transaction. Motion carried.

Bills audited and paid are as follows:

Warrant No.	To Whom Issued	Amount
6968	W. L. Smith, Ex. Meeting 10-28-43 .....	\$ 40.57
6969	Harry Barnes, Ex. Meeting 11-23-43 stamps	12.55
6970	Celia M. Harding, Nov. salary, less tax ....	80.60
6971	Celia M. Harding, money adv. for Post. and supplies .....	28.59



6972	Celia M. Harding, Ex. Meeting 11-23-43 .....	9.16
6973	C. R. C. Jarratt, Storage on State Grange Car .....	7.50
6974	Fowler Ensign, 5 M envelopes, 2 rubber stamps .....	29.31
6975	Pacific Tel. & Tel. Nov. bill .....	43.96
6976	August Brucker, Exp. to Bachelor Valley Gr. ....	3.35
6977	Calif. Grange News, new subscriptions.....	18.50
6978	Cordie M. Hannah, Exp. Juvenile work 1943 .....	19.65
6979	Harry A. Caton, Sixth degree candidates .....	184.00
6980	Harry A. Caton, supplies .....	22.75
6981	G. B. O. paper cups, napkins etc. State Con. ....	7.00
6982	C. N. Merrihew, car repair .....	7.81
6983	Geo. Sehlmeier, postage advanced .....	9.00
6984	Muriel Anderson, Dec. salary, less tax .....	127.10
6985	James B. Frost, Deputy conf. ....	20.42
6986	H. J. Brown, Deputy conference .....	19.75
6987	L. C. Lattin, Deputy conference .....	15.18
6988	Robert E. Trussel, Deputy conference .....	22.19
6989	C. L. Ryser, Deputy conference .....	9.70
6990	Marshal Dopkins, Deputy conference .....	14.28
6991	John I. Berg, Deputy conference .....	7.40
6992	V. Granucci, Deputy conference .....	7.75
6993	Thomas Eide, Deputy conference .....	19.25
6994	August Brucker, Deputy conference .....	11.30
6995	Chas. McLaughlin, Deputy conference .....	7.25
6996	V. L. Johnson, Deputy conference .....	18.00
6997	A. C. Smith, Deputy conference .....	12.12
6998	Dovie Freeman, Deputy conference .....	23.10
6999	J. W. Wilson, Deputy conference .....	9.70
7000	W. L. Smith, Deputy conference .....	14.03
7001	W. L. Smith, G. B. O. meeting .....	9.30
7002	Duplicator Sales and Service .....	32.08
7003	Celia M. Harding, Dec. salary, less tax .....	80.60
7004	The Morrissey Co. Jan. rent .....	150.00
7005	Pacific Tel. & Tel. Dec. bill .....	42.65
7006	Uriel L. Shields, salary and expense .....	54.25
7007	Ehmann Stationery Co. gold seals .....	.51
7008	Sleeper Stamp and Stationery Co. ....	1.23
7009	J. R. Wilson, Postmaster Sac'to., stamps .....	9.00
7010	Vayne O. Ralston, Deputy conference .....	24.47
7011	Leo H. Parks, Deputy conference .....	6.27

7012	Merle Mensinger, Deputy conference .....	9.90
7013	Owen E. Hollister, Deputy conference .....	18.42
7014	Robert Wardlow, Deputy conference .....	28.19
7015	Lydia N. Joiner, Deputy conference .....	31.94
7016	F. R. Davis, Deputy conference .....	25.10
7017	Collector Internal Revenue. Withholding tax 4th quarter .....	206.43
7018	U. S. Collector Internal Rev. Emp. tax re- turn 4th quarter .....	62.64
7019	Calif. Dept. of Emp. Employers and wage earners contribution .....	78.30
7020	News Publishing Co. mailing Grange napkins .....	2.37
7021	C. J. Bainbridge, supplies .....	21.74
7022	John Gamble, Deputy conference .....	10.05
7023	Ruth Dye, Deputy conference .....	17.17
7024	Muriel Anderson, Jan. salary less tax .....	127.10
7025	C. W. Glover, Deputy conference .....	27.26
7026	C. W. Glover, Org. Klamath Vy. Grange....	80.00
7027	Cecil M. Turner, Deputy conference .....	20.00
7028	Celia M. Harding, Jan. salary less tax .....	80.60
7029	The Morrissey Co. Feb. rent .....	150.00
7030	Geo. A. Critchett, Ex. Com. Meeting 11-23-43 .....	9.76
7031	Geo. A. Critchett, Ex. Com. Meeting 2-10-44 .....	5.86
7032	W. L. Smith, Ex. Com. Meeting 2-10-44....	30.15
7033	Calif. Grange News, new subscriptions .....	16.75
7034	Geo. Sehlmeier, car repair .....	19.24
7035	Geo. Sehlmeier, travel exp. Sept., Oct., Nov., Dec. ....	12.60
7036	Harry Barnes, Ex. Com. Meeting. 2-10-44 phone and stamps .....	9.18
7037	Harry Barnes, G. B. O. meeting 1-28-44....	7.58
7038	Geo. Sehlmeier, salary fourth quarter less tax .....	707.97
115 E	Edwin Koster, Nov. salary, less tax .....	194.40
116 E	Edwin Koster, car exp. Oct. 30 to Nov. 14 .....	20.06
117 E	Edwin Koster, Dec. salary, less tax .....	194.40
118 E	Edwin Koster, travel exp. ....	22.46
119 E	Edwin Koster, car exp. ....	18.00
120 E	Edwin Koster, salary Jan., less tax .....	194.40



After discussing many issues pertaining to the Grange, the meeting adjourned.

Fraternally submitted,

CELIA M. HARDING, Secretary  
California State Grange

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California State Grange Office  
Sacramento, California,  
March 31, 1944.

At 7:30 p. m. the meeting of the State Grange Executive Committee was called to order by the State Master, who presided. Brothers Barnes and Smith and the State Secretary were present. Brother Critchett was absent due to unavoidable circumstances.

Minutes of the previous meeting of the committee held on Feb. 10, 1944, were read and approved. The committee discussed the membership campaign at some length.

The meeting place for the 1944 State Grange Convention was discussed. Moved by Brother Barnes, seconded by Brother Smith, that Sacramento be selected for the 1944 Convention City. Motion carried.

State Master Sehlmeier read a resolution from Colusa County requesting a joint convention of the Western Grange States. Owing to travel restrictions at the present time, action was deferred.

After considerable discussion it was moved by Brother Barnes, seconded by Brother Smith, that the California State Grange undertake the next War Bond drive as set forth by Samuel J. Hume, Chairman, Agricultural Division, War Finance Committee, Northern California. The drive to start about June 10. The State Grange to be allowed gasoline to organize and initiate such a campaign. Motion carried.

The salary and expenses allowed the State Deputy was discussed by the committee. In view of the increased cost of living and travel it was moved by Brother Barnes, seconded by Brother Smith, that said salary be increased from \$150.00 to \$172.00 per month, and the actual expenses incurred in travel be allowed, effective April 1. Motion carried.

The supply of quarterly report blanks being nearly exhausted, the State Secretary submitted a new form of report blank for the approval of the committee and asked that such forms and folders for secretaries be printed. It was moved by Brother Smith, seconded by Brother Barnes, that the State Secretary be instructed to purchase 400 folders and have necessary blanks printed for the use of secretaries within the state. Motion carried.

Bills audited and paid:

Warrant No.	To Whom Issued	Amount
7039	Fowler Ensign: 800 Journal of Proceedings, \$513.36; 2 M EPS, \$12.25; 1 M EPS, \$13.97 .....	\$553.07
7040	Pacific Tel. and Tel., January bill .....	48.28
7041	J. R. Wilson, Sacramento postmaster, stamps .....	9.00
7042	M. T. Hunt, auto licenses, 64C662, 5A8594, 5A8593 .....	45.00
7043	Ehmann Stationery Co. ....	1.03
7044	S. S. McCloskey, bonding State Grange Secretary and Treasurer .....	22.00
7045	Harry A. Caton, quarterly dues 12/31/43....	756.24
7046	Farmers Auto Inter-Ins. Exchange .....	14.16
7047	Celia M. Harding, February salary less tax .....	80.60
7048	Celia M. Harding, ex. meeting 2/10/44.....	18.00
7049	Celia M. Harding, money adv. Nat. Sec. for supplies .....	54.30
7050	Muriel Anderson, February salary, less tax .....	127.10
7051	California Grange News, new subscriptions .....	8.50
7052	Calif. Grange News, new subscriptions ....	2.50
7053	Sleeper Stamp and Stationery Co., supplies .....	.77
7054	Ehmann Stationery Co. ....	1.52
7055	Pacific Tel. & Tel., February bill .....	53.86
7056	The Morrissey Co., March rent .....	150.00
7057	Hotel Sacramento, Deputies conf. room ....	10.00
7058	California Grange News, new subscriptions .....	15.75
7059	Duplicator Sales and Service .....	154
7060	California Grange News .....	59.50
7061	Fowler Ensign, Rosters, letter heads, envl. ....	288.38
7062	Celia M. Harding, money adv. for exp., postage, and secretarial supplies .....	110.21
7063	Celia M. Harding, March salary, less tax ....	80.60



7064	Celia M. Harding, money adv. Nat. Sec. for supplies .....	100.25
7065	The Morrissey Co., April rent .....	150.00
7066	C. J. Bainbridge Co., supplies .....	19.30
7067	W. L. Smith, Exec. meeting 3-31-44 .....	32.59
121 E	Edwin Koster, travel exp., gas, oil .....	29.44
122 E	Edwin Koster, Feb., salary, less tax .....	194.40
123 E	Edwin Koster, stage fare, gas, oil, stamps, tele. ....	18.31
124 E	Edwin Koster, bus fare, gas, oil, telephone .....	28.62
125 E	Edwin Koster, bus fare, gas, oil, telephone .....	29.74
126 E	Edwin Koster, March salary, less tax .....	194.40
127 E	Edwin Koster, bus fare, gas, oil .....	19.85

Fraternally submitted,

CELIA M. HARDING, Secretary  
California State Grange

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California State Grange Office  
Sacramento, California  
June 19, 1944

A meeting of the Executive Committee of the California State Grange was called to order with all members present, State Master Sehlmeier presiding.

Minutes of the meeting held on March 31, 1944 were read and approved.

After some discussion it was moved by Brother Barnes, seconded by Brother Critchett, that the California State Grange carry compensation Insurance on employees subject to Compensation Insurance law. Motion carried.

Moved by Brother Smith, seconded by Brother Critchett, the State Grange defray expenses of Pomona Masters and deputies attending a meeting in southern California to be called by the State Master. Motion carried.

State Master Sehlmeier gave a detailed report on his recent trip to Washington, D. C., in interest of Central Valleys Project and the 160 acre limitation and the Reclamation Law, and to oppose the Elliott Amendment which was before the Senate Commerce Subcommittee which exempted the Central Valleys Project from the 160 acre limitation. He reported the Committee dropped the

Elliott Amendment from Rivers and Harbors Omnibus Appropriation Bill.

Moved by Brother Critchett, seconded by Brother Barnes and carried, that Mrs. Bader's salary be increased \$10.00 per month.

After listening to a report of the Grange News and discussing many items of interest to the Grange, the meeting adjourned; the Committee to meet again on call of the Worthy Master.

Bills audited and paid:

Warrant No.	To Whom Issued	Amount
7068	Fowler Ensign, printing supplies .....	\$131.30
7069	Celia M. Harding, money adv., for supplies .....	42.16
7070	Muriel Anderson, salary, less tax .....	54.54
7071	Claire Hinckley, salary, less tax .....	61.81
7072	Uriel Shields, salary, qtr., ending 3-31-44 and expense .....	59.92
7073	California Dept. of Employment, qtr. end. 3-31-44 .....	61.18
7074	Collector of Internal Revenue, qtr. ending 3-31-44 .....	61.18
7075	Internal Revenue, Inc. tax withholding ....	155.14
7076	Pacific Tel. & Tel., March bill .....	55.94
7077	Farmers Auto Ins. Exchange. Policy No. 2726306 .....	19.10
7078	M. T. Hunt, salary .....	100.00
7079	Geo. Sehlmeier, salary, less tax 1-1-44 to 3-31-44 .....	707.97
7080	Geo. Sehlmeier, expense acct. for Jan. 1944 .....	32.45
7081	Geo. Sehlmeier, expense acct. for March and trip to Spokane .....	81.90
7082	J. R. Wilson, Postmaster, Sacto., stamps ....	12.75
7083	Celia M. Harding, Executive meet. 3-31-44 .....	9.00
7084	Celia M. Harding, salary less tax .....	80.60
7085	Morrissey Co., May rent .....	150.00
7086	Stratford Grange, Hall dedication .....	50.00
7087	Claire Hinckley, April salary, less tax .....	106.30
7088	J. R. Wilson, Postmaster, Sacto., stamps ....	13.75
7089	Cash, petty cash fund for mailing packages etc. ....	10.00
7090	Claire Hinckley, salary, May 1 to May 15, less tax .....	52.64



7091	Fowler Ensign, printing and supplies .....	44.08
7092	Pacific Tel. & Tel., April bill .....	48.86
7093	Harry A. Caton, March 31, 1944 quarterly dues .....	684.24
7094	C. J. Bainbridge, supplies .....	9.36
7095	C. N. Merrihew, tire and tube .....	21.61
7096	Grangers Business Organization .....	18.84
7097	Celia M. Harding, May salary, less tax .....	80.60
7098	Morrissey Co., June rent .....	150.00
7099	Geo. Sehlmeier, trip to Washington D. C. ....	298.03
7100	Geo. Sehlmeier, tires and repair .....	23.44
7101	Harry Barnes, G. B. O. and Exec. meeting 3-31-44 .....	11.88
7102	Mabel Glenn, H. E. expenses and trip on Bond Drive .....	88.46
7103	Harry Barnes, Exec. meeting 6-19-44 .....	10.76
7104	W. L. Smith, Exec. meeting 6-19-44 .....	4.00
7105	Celia M. Harding, Exec. meeting 6-19-44 ....	20.60
7106	Celia M. Harding, money adv. for Sec. and supply postage, express and telephone ....	62.33
7107	Celia M. Harding, June salary, less tax .....	80.60
7108	C. J. Bainbridge, supplies .....	47.65
7109	Geo. A. Critchett, G. B. O. meeting 5-26-44 ..	9.16
7110	Geo. A. Critchett, Exec. meeting 6-19-44 ....	9.16
7111	Pacific Tel. & Tel., May bill .....	71.49
7112	Zelma Hoss, salary, June 5 to June 15 incl., less tax .....	52.86
7113	Calif. Grange News, subscriptions for new members .....	95.75
7114	Zelma Hoss, salary, June 15 to June 30, less tax .....	64.84
7115	Uriel L. Shields, salary and exp. March 31 to June 30 .....	58.40
7116	Wm. G. Tyler, conference in L. A. 6-25-44 ..	6.78
7117	H. S. Crocker, office supplies .....	6.51
7118	Arnold's Sales & Service, car repair .....	3.10
7119	Morrissey Co., July rent .....	150.00
128 E	Edwin Koster, April salary, less tax and travel expense .....	173.56
129 E	Edwin Koster, car exp., postage and tele. ....	25.15
130 E	Edwin Koster, car exp., gas, oil and storage ..	17.70

131 E	Edwin Koster, May salary, less tax and travel expense .....	217.65
132 E	Edwin Koster, gas, oil and car repair .....	27.74
133 E	Edwin Koster, car exp. and repair .....	42.73
134 E	Edwin Koster, travel exp. (meals and lodging) .....	32.21
135 E	Edwin Koster, June salary, less tax .....	165.76
136 E	Edwin Koster, car expense .....	46.38
137 E	Edwin Koster, meals and lodging .....	44.95

Faternally submitted,

CELIA M. HARDING, Secretary  
California State Grange

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California State Grange Office  
Sacramento, California  
August 8, 1944

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 minutes of the previous meeting held on June 19, 1944 were read and approved.

The State Master reported Compensation Insurance had been taken out on all employees subject to Compensation Insurance Law. He also, reported on the Downey Hearings on the 160 acre limitation, having followed them through from Sacramento to Bakersfield.

Details of the coming State Grange Convention were discussed and it was moved by Brother Critchett, seconded by Brother Barnes, that the Hotel Sacramento be designated as the Headquarters Hotel for the Convention to be held from October 17, to October 20, inclusive.

Sister Mabel Glenn, State Home Economics Chairman, appeared before the Committee suggesting a plan of securing a grove of trees to be dedicated as a State Grange Park. She had secured some information and literature on the South Calaveras Sequoia Grove and left same with the Committee to be studied and to take such action as they deemed advisable.

Mr. Charles E. Carey of the Bureau of Reclamation appeared before the Committee to discuss with them, the



Central Valleys Project and the 160 acre limitation as viewed by his office at this time. He expressed his gratitude to the Executive Committee for the splendid work done by the California State Grange in defeating the Elliott Amendment. In his opinion the Flood Control Bill should be either modified or killed.

Moved by Brother Smith, seconded by Brother Barnes, that HR 4485, commonly termed The Army Engineers Flood Control Bill, be opposed. The Bill is contrary to the long established program of the State Grange on irrigation and power development. If it is impossible to ammend the Bill to remove the objectional features and if it passes Congress in its present form the State Grange will request the President to veto the Bill. Motion carried.

Moved by Brother Critchett, seconded by Brother Smith, that the Master of the State Grange be authorized to either offer an amendment to modify the 160 acre limitation of the Reclamation Law to overcome some of the difficulties existing in Irrigation Districts or to proceed to establish a regional administration for the Central Valleys Project. To take such action in this matter as he deems advisable after conferring with Grange members and others in the San Joaquin Valley. Motion carried.

State Master Sehlmeier read a telegram requesting him to attend a meeting of the western States Masters in Portland, Oregon, August 19, 1944, regarding the Japanese question.

Moved by Brother Smith, seconded by Brother Critchett, that the State Master be instructed to attend, providing the meeting is held. Motion carried.

The State Master announced the passing of Brother Charles McLaughlin, Gate Keeper of the California State Grange. It was moved by Brother Smith, seconded by Brother Critchett, that the State Secretary be instructed to write Sister McLaughlin a letter of condolence. Motion carried.

Moved by Brother Smith, seconded by Brother Barnes, that a gift of \$75 per quarter be voted to Sister Mabel Glenn, State Home Economics Chairman, for her meritorious service. Motion carried.

Moved by Brother Barnes, seconded by Brother Crit-

chett, that a statement be made through the Grange News that the State Grange Membership Building Campaign will be continued through next year. Rules and regulations to be announced later. Motion carried.

State Master Sehlmeier advised the Committee a fine Aberdeen-Angus heifer had been presented the State Grange to be given away as a prize in the Fifth War Bond Drive. It was unanimously agreed by the Committee that the drawing should be held at the State Grange Convention. One ticket to be placed in the box for each \$500 maturity value of Bonds sold by a Grange. The State Master to send a letter to each Secretary in the state explaining the procedure.

Bills audited and paid:

Warrant No.	To Whom Issued	Amount
7120	Zelma Hoss, salary, July 1 to 15 incl., less tax .....	\$ 64.84
7121	Duplicator Sales and Service .....	2.87
7122	Pacific Tel. & Tel., June bill .....	67.72
7123	W. L. Smith, G. B. O. meeting .....	31.54
7124	Geo. Sehlmeier, money advanced for postage .....	9.00
7125	C. N. Merrihew, 2 tires and tubes .....	43.21
7126	Truck Ins. Exchange, payroll adjust, annual .....	16.63
7127	Fowler Ensign, supplies and printing, May and June .....	156.69
7128	K. & L. Body Works .....	10.44
7129	Celia M. Harding, money advanced Nat. Secretary for supplies .....	22.92
7130	Celia M. Harding, July salary less tax ....	80.60
7131	Zelma Hoss, salary, July 16 to 31 incl. less tax .....	64.84
7132	P. F. Hillwig, attending conf. in L. A. 6-25-44 .....	3.80
7133	Collector of Internal Revenue, withholding tax April 1 to June 30 .....	213.62
7134	Collector of Internal Revenue, contributions to S. S. ....	61.74
7135	Calif., Dept. of Emp., contributions to Unemp. and old age pensions .....	61.74
7136	E. Y. Rinker, attending conf. in L. A. 6-25-44 .....	6.00



7137	H. C. Harding, attending conf. in L. A. 6-25-44 .....	6.90
7138	Geo. Sehlmeier, salary, April 1 to June 30, less tax .....	707.97
7139	Geo. Sehlmeier, expenses April, May and June .....	33.62
7140	Geo. A. Critchett, G. B. O. meeting 6-30-44 .....	9.86
7141	Geo. A. Critchett, Exec. meeting 8-8-44 ....	10.36
7142	W. L. Smith, Exec. meeting 8-8-44 .....	37.28
7143	Fowler Ensign, supplies .....	25.01
7144	Calif., Grange News, subscriptions new members .....	21.75
7145	David Typewriter Co. ....	1.03
7146	The Morrissey Co., August rent .....	150.00
7147	Pacific Tel. & Tel., July bill .....	57.09
7148	J. R. Wilson, Sac'to Postmaster, stamps ....	10.50
7149	Harry Barnes, Exec. meeting 8-8-44 .....	13.22
138 E	Edwin Koster, July salary, less tax .....	164.76
139 E	Edwin Koster, travel exp., June 19 to July 15 .....	22.58
140 E	Edwin Koster, car exp., June 19 to July 15 .....	39.75
141 E	Edwin Koster, travel expense .....	10.90
142 E	Edwin Koster, car expense .....	20.35

Fraternally submitted,

CELIA M. HARDING, Secretary  
California State Grange

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Sacramento Hotel  
October 16, 1944,  
Sacramento, California.

The executive committee meeting of the California State Grange was called to order at 8:00 p. m. by Worthy State Master Sehlmeier. Roll call found all members present. The minutes of the previous meeting held on August 8, 1944, were read and approved.

The Order of Business for the State Grange Convention was read by the State Master. Moved by Brother Critchett, seconded by Brother Smith and carried that the Order of Business be adopted as read.

The resignation of Sister Uriel Shields as State Lecturer was read to the Committee. Moved by Brother Barnes, seconded by Brother Smith that the resignation be accepted with regrets. Motion carried. The Executive Committee instructed the State Secretary to write Sister Shields a letter of appreciation for the splendid work done by her during her terms as Lecturer of the State Grange.

Charges filed with the State Grange against Brother George Naugle of Orland Grange were read and the Executive Committee decided to hold this trial before the State Master leaves for the National Convention, if possible.

After discussing many items of Grange interest the meeting adjourned.

Bills audited and paid:

Warrant No.	To Whom Issued	Amount
7150	Zelma Hoss, salary Aug. 1 to 15, less tax	\$ 64.84
7151	G. Rossi & Co., flowers June 6	5.13
7152	C. R. C. Jarratt, trip for State Grange	18.78
7153	C. N. Merrihew, tire recaps and battery	22.42
7154	Calif. Grange News, subscriptions new members	9.50
7155	David Typewriter Co.	1.03
7156	The Morrissey Co., Sept. rent	150.00
7157	Celia M. Harding, Executive Committee Meeting 8-8-44 and telephone	12.31
7158	Celia M. Harding, August salary less tax	80.60
7159	Harry A. Caton, supplies	352.50
7160	Zelma Hoss, salary Aug. 16 to 31 less tax	64.84
7161	Geo. Sehlmeier, money adv. for stamps	9.00
7162	Santa Rosa, Prize in membership campaign	2.50
7163	Danville, Prize in membership campaign	4.25
7164	Elk Grove, Prize in membership campaign	4.75
7165	Two Rock, Prize in membership campaign	4.50
7166	Antelope, Prize in membership campaign	4.75
7167	Tulare, Prize in membership campaign	7.00
7168	Sebastopol, Prize in membership campaign	11.00
7169	Gold Hill, Prize in membership campaign	9.25
7170	Orange Vale, Prize in membership campaign	51.50
7171	Greenfield, Prize in membership campaign	4.50
7172	Guenoc, Prize in membership campaign	30.25



7173	Bellevue, Prize in membership campaign	5.25
7174	Gazelle, Prize in membership campaign ....	4.75
7175	Redwood Valley, Prize in membership campaign .....	6.50
7176	Scott Valley, Prize in membership campaign	13.00
7177	Prunedale, Prize in membership campaign	3.75
7178	Hornbrook, Prize in membership campaign	4.50
7179	Gilroy, Prize in membership campaign ....	19.75
7180	Cedar, Prize in membership campaign ....	4.50
7181	Rio Linda, Prize in membership campaign	5.75
7182	Davis Creek, Prize in membership campaign	7.25
7183	Sonoma Valley, Prize in membership campaign .....	11.00
7184	Morgan Hill, Prize in membership campaign	15.75
7185	Windsor, Prize in membership campaign	15.75
7186	Coyote, Prize in membership campaign .....	4.00
7187	Hat Creek, Prize in membership campaign	6.50
7188	Western Yolo, Prize in membership campaign	16.75
7189	Orland, Prize in membership campaign ....	17.50
7190	Oakdale, Prize in membership campaign	6.25
7191	Johnstonville, Prize in membership campaign	7.00
7192	Feather River, Prize in membership campaign .....	8.00
7193	Elk Creek, Prize in membership campaign	3.25
7194	Montgomery, Prize in membership campaign	2.75
7195	Millville, Prize in membership campaign	9.00
7196	United Rescue, Prize in membership campaign .....	5.00
7197	Mt. Vernon, Prize in membership campaign	19.75
7198	Sierra Nevada, Prize in membership campaign .....	7.50
7199	Castle, Prize in membership campaign .....	4.50
7200	Biggs, Prize in membership campaign ....	4.50
7201	Cloverdale, Prize in membership campaign	11.75
7202	El Camino, Prize in membership campaign	23.75
7203	Tulelake, Prize in membership campaign	7.25
7204	Mt. Hamilton, Prize in membership campaign	11.00
7205	Independent, Prize in membership campaign	13.25
7206	Los Molinos, Prize in membership campaign	6.75
7207	Corral de Tierra, Prize in membership campaign .....	6.50
7208	Sanger, Prize in membership campaign ....	30.50

7209	Maywood, Prize in membership campaign	7.75
7210	Woodbridge, Prize in membership campaign	4.75
7211	Chico, Prize in membership campaign	7.25
7212	Corralitos, Prize in membership campaign	6.75
7213	Paradise, Prize in membership campaign	8.50
7214	Shennandoah-Willow Springs, Prize in membership campaign	4.00
7215	Palermo, Prize in membership campaign	34.75
7216	Wyandotte, Prize in membership campaign	9.00
7217	Eel River Valley, Prize in membership campaign	5.00
7218	Santa Cruz-Live Oak, Prize in membership campaign	11.25
7219	Redwood, Prize in membership campaign	4.00
7220	Dows Prairie, Prize in membership campaign	8.00
7221	Shiloh, Prize in membership campaign	3.00
7222	Van Duzen River, Prize in membership campaign	8.25
7223	Marina, Prize in membership campaign	2.50
7224	Springfield, Prize in membership campaign	9.75
7225	Merced Colony, Prize in membership campaign	3.00
7226	Gratton, Prize in membership campaign	12.25
7227	Bear Creek, Prize in membership campaign	9.00
7228	Winton, Prize in membership campaign	34.25
7229	Clovis, Prize in membership campaign	26.25
7230	Hilmar, Prize in membership campaign	7.00
7231	New Era, Prize in membership campaign	3.75
7232	Dos Palos, Prize in membership campaign	10.50
7233	Wasco, Prize in membership campaign	3.75
7234	Delano, Prize in membership campaign	7.50
7235	Caruthers, Prize in membership campaign	8.25
7236	Island, Prize in membership campaign	5.75
7237	Parkfield, Prize in membership campaign	1.50
7238	Stanislaus-Mt. View, Prize in membership campaign	6.00
7239	Kings River, Prize in membership campaign	5.00
7240	Atascadero, Prize in membership campaign	13.00
7241	Buena Vista, Prize in membership campaign	7.25
7242	Rosedale, Prize in membership campaign	6.75
7243	Panama, Prize in membership campaign	5.75



7244	Buttonwillow, Prize in membership campaign	6.00
7245	Fairfax, Prize in membership campaign ....	7.00
7246	Lake Earl, Prize in membership campaign	17.50
7247	Lockeford Dist., Prize in membership campaign .....	10.75
7248	Yucaipa Valley, Prize in membership campaign .....	32.75
7249	Wintersburg, Prize in membership campaign	3.75
7250	Muscoy, Prize in membership campaign ....	6.25
7251	Glen Avon, Prize in membership campaign	12.25
7252	Apple Valley, Prize in membership campaign	5.00
7253	Crescent Redwood, Prize in membership campaign .....	13.00
7254	Norco, Prize in membership campaign .....	8.75
7255	Fonbloom, Prize in membership campaign	35.75
7256	Phelan, Prize in membership campaign ....	4.75
7257	Vista, Prize in membership campaign .....	12.50
7258	Costa Mesa, Prize in membership campaign	19.75
7259	Garden Grove, Prize in membership campaign .....	11.25
7260	Trinity Valley, Prize in membership campaign .....	3.00
7261	Triangle, Prize in membership campaign	5.00
7262	Anaheim, Prize in membership campaign ....	2.00
7263	La Habra, Prize in membership campaign	.75
7264	Centralia, Prize in membership campaign	2.75
7265	Central, Prize in membership campaign ....	9.75
7266	James Ranch, Prize in membership campaign	4.00
7267	Reedley, Prize in membership campaign ....	3.50
7268	Valley Center, Prize in membership campaign .....	9.50
7269	Ramona, Prize in membership campaign	5.00
7270	San Marcos, Prize in membership campaign	8.75
7271	Farmersville, Prize in membership campaign	13.00
7272	San Luis Obispo, Prize in membership campaign .....	10.50
7273	Long Valley, Prize in membership campaign	14.00
7274	Santa Ynez, Prize in membership campaign	12.00
7275	Lompoc, Prize in membership campaign ....	3.75
7276	Placer Foothill, Prize in membership campaign .....	6.75
7277	Wildflower, Prize in membership campaign	3.50

7278	Joshua Tree, Prize in membership campaign	4.50
7279	Alpine, Prize in membership campaign	4.00
7280	Winnetka Center, Prize in membership campaign	5.50
7281	Comptche, Prize in membership campaign	5.50
7282	Fort Bragg, Prize in membership campaign	14.25
7283	Hinkley Valley, Prize in membership campaign	8.50
7284	Garcia, Prize in membership campaign	15.25
7285	Kingsburg, Prize in membership campaign	4.50
7286	Ione, Prize in membership campaign	18.00
7287	Hesperia, Prize in membership campaign	5.25
7288	Stonyford, Prize in membership campaign	2.00
7289	Rainbow Valley, Prize in membership campaign	11.75
7290	Pauma Valley, Prize in membership campaign	5.00
7291	Hemet-San Jacinto, Prize in membership campaign	29.75
7292	Berry Creek, Prize in membership campaign	4.75
7293	Mount Bidwell, Prize in membership campaign	14.00
7294	Arbuckle, Prize in membership campaign	12.25
7295	Easton, Prize in membership campaign	14.75
7296	Roeding, Prize in membership campaign	3.25
7297	Eel River Valley, Hall dedication	50.00
7298	Millville, Hall dedication	50.00
7299	Farmers Auto Insurance Ex. Policy No. 2737408	22.10
7300	Calif. Grange News, mailing Grange napkins	2.82
7301	Arnolds Sales & Service, car repair, State Masters	21.05
7302	Pacific Tel. & Tel., August bill	56.05
7303	Lookout, Prize in membership campaign	7.00
7304	Sunnyvale, Prize in membership campaign	2.00
7305	Mt. Lassen, Prize in membership campaign	5.50
7306	Fall River, Prize in membership campaign	3.00
7307	Adelanto, Prize in membership campaign	6.50
7308	Tehachapi, Prize in membership campaign	5.50
7309	Pleasant Valley, Prize in membership campaign	3.50
7310	Phillipsville, Prize in membership campaign	4.25



7311	Sonora, Prize in membership campaign ....	15.00
7312	Vernalis, Prize in membership campaign .....	2.75
7313	Eagle, Prize in membership campaign .....	8.50
7314	Fowler Ensign, printing and supplies for August .....	55.66
7315	Zelma Hoss, salary, Sept. 1 to 15, less tax .....	64.84
7316	Harry A. Caton, postage on supplies .....	6.86
7317	H. S. Crocker, office supplies .....	1.03
7318	Zelma Hoss, salary, Sept. 16 to 30, less tax .....	64.84
7319	Celia M. Harding, Sept., salary, less tax ....	80.60
7320	Harry A. Caton, June 30 quarterly dues .....	797.49
7321	El Nido, Prize in membership campaign ....	4.50
7322	C. J. Bainbridge, supplies .....	33.07
143 E	Edwin Koster, August salary, less tax ....	164.76
144 E	Edwin Koster, travel and phone exp. ....	14.45
145 E	Edwin Koster, car expense .....	12.70
146 E	Edwin Koster, car expense .....	26.30
147 E	Edwin Koster, travel expense .....	29.05
148 E	Edwin Koster, Sept., salary, less tax ....	164.76
149 E	Edwin Koster, travel expense .....	12.37
150 E	Edwin Koster, car expense .....	12.68

Fraternally submitted,

CELIA M. HARDING, Secretary  
California State Grange

State Master Sehlmeier read a letter of greeting to the California State Grange Session from National Master A. S. Goss.

The Master appointed the following committees:

#### CONSERVATION

O. M. Davis, Chairman

H. T. Whitley

Wm. G. Tyler

Marshall Dopkins

John Hansen

#### AGRICULTURE

A. L. Christopher, Chairman

Robert Wardlow

Ella Walker

William Wakefield

Rubie Alberti

## LEGISLATION

Merle Mensinger, Chairman  
Wellington Hiatt Joseph Rapier  
Charles Glover Owen Hollister

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## EDUCATION

E. L. Holmes, Chairman  
Marguerite Vickery James Smith  
Myrtle Bowie Lydia Joiner

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## TAXATION

Don Bridge, Chairman  
R. D. Patterson H. L. Click  
Hubert Brown A. W. Stone

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## MARKETING

Jack Sinclear, Chairman  
H. T. Lively Clara V. Cook  
Vayne Ralston Ida Pasco

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## GOOD OF THE ORDER

August Brucker, Chairman  
George Doss Mrs. Stark  
J. R. Goodson Mrs. Edith Sickle

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## BANKING AND FINANCE

Claud French, Chairman John Webb

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## CREDIT UNION

Ed Milldrum, Chairman Mildred Boyd  
Harry Denton Claud French

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## COOPERATION

Frank J. Greer, Chairman Willard Bulkley  
E. D. Boaz Frank Phinney

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## RESOLUTIONS

Harry Carroll, Chairman



## DIVISION OF LABOR

Vincent Granucci, Chairman

## ELECTIONS COMMITTEE

John Gamble, Chairman

Harry Schmidt

Geo. L. Davis

Cecil M. Turner

James B. Frost

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It was moved by Brother Mannering, seconded by Brother Holmes, that the reports of District Deputies be printed in the Journal without reading. Motion carried.

Resolutions which had been submitted to the State Office and mimeographed were distributed to the delegates.

An announcement was made that a photograph of the State Grange Convention would be taken Wednesday immediately following the radio broadcast.

The Reception Program was announced for Tuesday evening and Grange closed in regular form at 5:00 P. M.

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## STATE DEPUTY'S REPORT

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

Being State deputy, again affords the privilege to report on Grange activities. This year has not been much different from others. Associations during the year have been pleasant; the State Master and Executive Committee were very considerate.

By working together, almost every Grange doing its bit, the State Grange membership goal, established last fall, has been surpassed. Some said, "I don't think it can be done." But, it was done. Everyone who took part in the program has the right to feel proud of a job well done. Membership in the Grange reached a new all time high in the year just ended. The record might have been higher if the distress of war had not confined farmers so close to the job of producing food and fibre. Even so, the membership gain this year was the largest in the history of the Grange, except for 1874 and 1934.

During the past year more time was spent meeting with Masters, Lecturers, Secretaries and other officers of the Grange. In addition, the 5th War Loan Drive occupied the most of two months. Attending State Wide Committee meetings for the State Master and the installation of officers took some time. All in all, it has been a busy year.

Even though more time was given to other activities, organization work has kept up, however, it would not have been possible were it not for the splendid help of the district deputies and Grange members in whose areas the work was accomplished.

The Springville Grange, in Tulare county was organized March 24 with 46 charter members. Brother Michalk of the Farmersville Grange aided materially with the formation.

The Marshall Grange in El Dorado county was re-organized April 28 with seven former members and 39 new ones, making a total of 46 members to restore their charter. Brother McLaughlin took an active interest in the reorganization work.

The Perris Valley Grange, in Riverside county, was organized July 7 with 37 charter members. This new Grange is the result of a desire of people in the Perris district to have a Grange. It was almost self organized.

About ten days ago, a new Grange was organized in Calaveras county. As the organization came after the close of the Grange year, September 30, it will have to be reported in 1945 work. This is the first time that Calaveras county has ever been represented in the Grange.

In three years the California State Grange will reach a historical milestone, its 75th anniversary. Detail of a plan ought to be worked out to bring Grange membership over the 30,000 mark in 1947. New possibilities of what the Grange can accomplish can be visualized when membership exceeds this figure. It will be possible to give new services in addition to making improvement upon old ones. The prestige of the Grange will raise in accordance with growth. The State Executive Committee have expressed their desire to continue with the Grange membership building program this year, details to be worked out following the convention.



There must be no slackening up if the goal is to be reached. We must constantly press on and improve upon the job so far accomplished. If agriculture is to maintain and gain in its importance in the State and Nation, it must organize more strongly. The big job ahead is to extend Grange influence into every corner of every agricultural county in the country. When that has been accomplished and only then, will the farmer be able to attain for himself his rightful position of dignity and importance. All of this will not be an easy task, but by everyone working together, by systematically planning and by holding steadfastly to the job, it can be done.

Fraternally submitted,  
EDWIN KOSTER, Deputy  
California State Grange

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District Deputies submitted their reports as follows:

#### BUTTE COUNTY

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

The Butte County Subordinate Granges have made substantial gains in membership this year. Seven of the eight granges showing an increase with Palermo Grange heading the list, with State and National honors for largest percentage of gain.

The Pomona Grange also is quite active holding regular monthly meetings which have been well attended regardless of the gas shortage.

I have been able to visit all of the Granges in this County, also Brownsville Grange, in Yuba county, giving a helping hand whenever and wherever called upon to do so.

During the past year we have held two Master's meetings which were well attended, and much interest was shown.

The war loan drive went over big here and all were pleased with results.

Fraternally submitted,  
L. C. LATTIN, Deputy  
Butte County.

## DEL NORTE COUNTY

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

Del Norte County Granges are happy to report that they have shown a net gain in membership, and have met their goal in each Grange. Klamath Valley Grange, organized this year, has shown their ten percent, plus one, increase in membership.

The Lake Earl Juvenile Grange has not been very active until this last quarter due to the ill health of the Matron, but is progressing nicely at this time.

I have made frequent visits to all Granges in my district, and find them very healthy and active.

Fraternally submitted,

CHARLES W. GLOVER, Deputy  
Del Norte County.

## COLUSA COUNTY

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

Greetings and best wishes to each of you, in this, our 72nd Annual Convention.

From Colusa County I wish to report a successful Grange year. Increased membership has been shown and members are working hard in the war effort, both individually and as Grange groups. Besides being active in the War Bond campaigns our members have sponsored trips to the San Francisco Blood Bank.

We are a young county in State Grange activity, our oldest Grange being less than five years old this year, but we are earnestly working and striving to improve our Granges and ourselves.

Let us hope that before another year passes, our State Grange will meet with the clouds of war rolled away.

Fraternally submitted,

MARSHALL DOPKINS, Deputy  
Colusa County.



## FRESNO COUNTY

To the Officers and Members of the California State Grange:

My work as Deputy of Fresno County this year has been very pleasant; The Granges of Fresno County have grown in membership and activity. Many of the Grange communities with Grange membership, sold two hundred per cent of their E bond quota in the Fifth War Loan Bond Drive. I have been invited to most of the Granges to talk on some Grange subject on special occasions, (such as anniversary and Booster nights). I have responded to all of these calls and explained the subjects at hand to the best of my ability

Representing the Grange membership on the Raisin program, we have again finished another Raisin year. It is estimated by those in a position to know that the Raisin Committee brought at least Fifty Million dollars into the Valley and moreover furnished the required amount of raisins for the boys overseas.

I wish to combine my Pomona Masters report with this report. I wish to state that the Fresno County Pomona Grange has gained in membership this year. We have had the best attended meetings of any recent year and there has been more interest shown in Grange activities. The Credit Union of Fresno County has been very active. It has become strong enough to allow a loan of twenty-one hundred dollars to any one member. It is one of the best Credit Unions in the State.

Yours Fraternally,  
O. M. DAVIS, Deputy  
Fresno County.

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KINGS COUNTY

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

I think the past year the Granges of Kings County have had as good a year as can be expected.

We enjoyed the officers training given by our State Deputy Koster and our State Secretary Sister Harding

held in March at the Stratford Grange Hall.

The grange members have helped in the Community Chest and Red Cross drives and worked hard on the War Loan drives, especially the Fifth War Loan, after the good coaching from State Deputy Koster and State Home Economics Chairman, Sister Glenn.

State Master Sehlmeier dedicated the Stratford Grange Hall on April the 28th.

Sister Johnson and I, assisted by our two daughters, installed the Officers of the Kings County Pomona Grange, Stratford Grange, Island and Island Juvenile Granges, Kings River Grange, Riverbend and Riverbend Juvenile Granges. Also took part in the graduation of two Juveniles into the Island Grange.

Most all of the Granges have held Booster Nights with good programs and attendance.

All Granges show a net gain in membership and Pomona Grange, with Brother Harmon as Master has worked hard to fulfill the Grange work during this past year.

Because of labor shortage and two of our family leaving home to do service for our country I have been unable to give as much of my time to Grange work as I would like to have done.

Fraternally submitted,  
VIVIAN L. JOHNSON, Deputy  
Kings County.

#### MENDOCINO COUNTY

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

I am happy to report an advancement and increase in membership in both Mendocino and Lake county Granges.

During the past year I have organized two Juvenile Granges, one at Potter Valley and one at Ukiah. Both are doing fine.

I installed the officers of nine Granges in my district this year, including Pomona. I have visited all of my Granges as often as my time and gas would permit.

Fraternally submitted,  
H. A. DICKEY, Deputy  
Mendocino County.



## MERCED COUNTY

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

As district deputy of Merced County I am glad to report a steady progress in Grange work and a gain in membership for the year.

All but one subordinate in the county met their membership goal. The Winton Grange made an outstanding growth from sixty members last convention to one hundred fifty at present, taking fourth place in the state in gain in membership. Hilmar Grange has been placed as an Honor Grange for the second consecutive year. Merced Colony Grange was the first in the state to donate to the State Grange Building Fund.

All Granges under the chairmanship of Ed Kling, Pomona Master, worked hard in a busy season, to put the Fifth War Loan drive over.

The Pomona Grange has held its regular monthly meetings which have been well attended.

Fraternally submitted,

JOHN GAMBLE, Deputy  
Merced County.

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NORTHERN MONTEREY COUNTY AND  
SAN BENITO COUNTY

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

In spite of wartime difficulties the Grange in the two counties are still going forward with a gain in membership, and hard work for the good of the Grange.

Four Deputies and Masters conferences have been held during the year where many important subjects were discussed.

The bond drive which was conducted this summer by the Granges in the farm areas in small communities was a big success.

Due to wartime conditions it hasn't been possible to visit all the Granges, but have attended all Pomona meet-

ings which have met regularly with a good attendance and a lively interest has been taken in the affairs of the counties.

Our Home Economics in most of the Granges are quite active, having food sales, rummage sales, card parties, helping the U. S. O. and helping the wounded soldiers in the hospitals.

We all feel that our present job is to help in every way to win the war, but equally important to help write the peace.

Wishing the State and the National Granges every success, and that the coming year will be one of peace and prosperity.

Fraternally submitted,

THOMAS EIDE, Deputy  
Northern Monterey and  
San Benito County.

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#### SOUTHERN MONTEREY COUNTY

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

The Granges in Southern Monterey County during the last year have made a substantial gain in membership and are in a healthy and progressive condition.

Most of the Grangers were very active in the Fifth War Bond Drive. They co-operated with the chairman of the local committees to get a complete coverage of the rural areas. I am proud of the work done by the Greenfield Grange in the bond drive. A Grange member was chairman of the local committee and was assisted by grangers exclusively. They sold over \$130,000.00 in bonds, far exceeding their quota in E Bonds.

Many of the Grangers have been active in local problems. Monterey Bay Grange was able to get rural free delivery of mail and the numbering of houses in its own locality.

The Pomona Grange has been active in educating its membership in Soil Conservation and proper soil management. They also discussed plans for post-war improve-



ment of rural areas as a means to overcome unemployment and not as a relief measure.

The Granges in Southern Monterey County have continued to be active in other war work.

Fraternally submitted,

H. J. BROWN, District Deputy  
Southern Monterey County.

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### MODOC COUNTY

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

I am proud indeed to bring you greetings from Modoc County. In spite of gas, tire and labor shortage the Modoc Granges are in a healthier and better condition than a year ago.

Our county went over the top in its membership quota; financially all Granges are sound.

Each of the Subordinate Granges has done outstanding community service in the War Bond drives, Red Cross work, War Chest quotas and other war efforts, besides the members are all carrying the heavy duties of intensified farming made doubly hard by shortage of efficient farm labor.

Each Grange has an active committee on Post War planning and the Youth Movement is receiving its proper recognition.

The Subordinate Masters are all capable, keen thinking people who are sparing no effort to make his Grange qualify as an honor Grange and to cement our Modoc members into a strong link worthy of being a part of the great Grange chain of our state and nation.

We, of Modoc, are proud to be a part of the Great Grange movement.

Fraternally submitted,

LYDIA N. JOINER, Deputy  
Modoc County.

## ORANGE COUNTY

California State Grange, Greetings:

As Deputy of Orange County I have not been as active this past year as in former years, my only excuse is shortage of farm labor. However, I have visited all of our Granges a number of times and helped each with Grange work as needed.

All of our Granges have made their membership gain and some of them several times over. All of our Granges took an active part in the Fifth War Loan Drive, several individual members of which I wish to commend for their outstanding work in the time given and the bonds that each sold.

Several of our Granges are getting Grange hall minded. They have started to accumulate funds for this purpose or are buying property on which to build a hall sometime, in the future we expect to have several Grange halls in this county.

We now have a very active Credit Union with a large number of our members taking part. We also have a Death Benefit Society of which a majority of our members are taking advantage.

Contending that our State is too large for one State Deputy there has been a movement among the Grangers of our Southern Grange counties that we request our State Office to appoint a State Deputy for our section of the state. When our State Office finds a person who will fill the office of State Deputy we will welcome him into Orange County.

Fraternally submitted,

ROBERT WARDLOW, Deputy  
Orange County.

## PLACER AND NEVADA COUNTIES

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

As Deputy of Placer and Nevada Counties, I have visited all granges in my district and I am glad to report a very successful grange year.



We have had a substantial gain in membership. Two grange hall mortgages have been burned—the Mt. Vernon Grange of Placer and Banner of Nevada County.

In April the Pomona Grange gave a dance and the proceeds turned over to the State Building fund. I am very proud to state, of the \$189.00 donated to the building fund this year, our Pomona gave \$142.00. Gold Hill donated \$10.00 which made it \$152.00 from our county.

The annual Grange picnic was held at the Gold Hall in May. Games, races and eats were enjoyed by all. The day ended by receiving many new applications.

Members throughout the district helped with the Fourth Bond Drive and showed special interest in the Fifth drive put over successfully in the rural district by the Grange.

On Monday, September 25th, a credit union was organized, which will help the fruit grower members in the future.

On October 6th a mass meeting was held at the Mt. Vernon Grange Hall for the purpose of organizing the deciduous fruit grower and demanding F. O. B. prices in the future. Our State Grange Master was the main speaker. At the close of the meeting fifty-five applications were signed. By November the 4th, when we give the first and second degree we expect over a hundred new candidates.

Fraternally submitted,

JOHN I. BERG, Deputy  
Placer and Nevada Counties.

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## RIVERSIDE COUNTY

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

The condition of the subordinate Granges of Riverside County is better than last year. There is an increase in membership and one new Grange. Brother Edwin Koster, State Deputy, organized Perris Valley which promises to become one of the leading Granges of the county.

The Credit Union has plenty funds on hand to lend its members.

The bond sales by the Subordinates were good, with Hemet San Jacinto Grange leading with the sale of \$50,-750 reported.

The Home Economics Clubs are doing good work, some fine reports have been received by the County Chairman.

Yours Fraternally,

ED HILL, Deputy  
Riverside County.

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### SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY

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

It is an honor and pleasure to be able to meet with you again. The Grange is being recognized more and more each year, for outsiders are asking for the Grange to take this or that and see if we can get it through Legislature.

With this war and the rationing, people are trying to, and really are doing their best in producing food and material to win this war. Six Granges out of the seven in the county are represented here for which I am thankful.

Two of the Granges are very weak in attendance, also the Juvenile, but I still hope and try to revive cooperation. In the Fifth War Bond Drive the Grange members bought and solicited bonds from others, so we went over our quota in this community. There is a war chest drive on now, and Grange members have been asked and are taking an active part in that.

Grange ladies take their turn at serving cake, coffee and milk to the soldiers at the U. S. O. in San Miguel, Paso Robles and San Luis Obispo, also help in many other ways.

More members are taking gas, oils and greases from the G. B. O. than before. The Credit Union is getting better and stronger.

Our home economic clubs are very active in many ways. They have some things both in canned goods and sewing on display here at this meeting. I do all I can to encourage the members to cooperate in every way



possible. I am looking forward to another prosperous and beneficial year in Grange work.

Fraternally submitted,

DOVIE FREEMAN, Deputy  
San Luis Obispo County.

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### SANTA CLARA COUNTY

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

The Granges of Santa Clara County and East Palo Alto have had a very successful year, all of them except one or two reaching and passing the goal in the Membership Campaign.

Our Pomona Grange is meeting regularly with the meetings well attended.

Under the leadership of Al Christopher, our Pomona Master, Santa Clara County was able to go over the top in the Fifth War Loan Drive.

The Home Economics in all the 10 Granges have been very active, and much of the credit for our growth is due them and the County Chairman, Mrs. Ruth Lew.

We come to Sacramento again this year to do our part as loyal Patrons hoping to aid in making this 72nd Convention the most outstanding in our State Grange history.

Fraternally submitted,

C. L. RYSER, Deputy  
Santa Clara County.

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### SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY

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

I am glad to report that the Granges of San Joaquin County have been very active this year. There has been a noticeable increase in membership in each Grange. When I arranged meetings for conferences and the Fifth War Loan Drive, all Granges sent representatives who

carried out the plans with success. Our Pomona Grange has had good attendance all year, and with the helpful leadership of Brother Milldrum, many problems have become worthwhile resolutions.

I have visited each Grange this year through these Pomona meetings and have tried to be of help whenever called upon.

Through the untiring efforts of our State Deputy, Brother Koster, a new Grange was formed in this district. It was my pleasure to be present at the first meeting of the new Calaveras Grange when their Charter was signed.

Fraternally submitted,

MERLE MENSINGER, Deputy  
San Joaquin County.

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#### SHASTA-TRINITY COUNTY

To the California State Grange, Greetings:

The past year has been a year of work, help has been hard to obtain and has kept me at home more than I wished. All of the Granges in my district, except two, have made gains in membership. I have visited most of the Granges and find them very active.

I have organized one Juvenile Grange at the Mt. Lassen Grange at Cottonwood and have started another at McArthur that I hope to complete the coming year.

The Home Economics of the Granges are doing a great work and I find them ready to take hold of any task that may arise.

The Millville Grange has rebuilt their hall and State Master Sehlmeier dedicated the hall in September. The Castle Grange on Hat Creek are planning to build a new hall and we wish them success.

The coming years are going to be the ones when the Grange must lead the way for rural America.

Wishing the State Grange a wonderful session, I remain

Fraternally,

LEO H. PARK, Deputy  
Shasta-Trinity Counties.



## SISKIYOU COUNTY

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

In reporting for Siskiyou County, there is a very fine Farm and Home committee in the county, and the Grange is well represented on this committee.

We did our best in the Membership Building Campaign.

Home Economics Clubs, Subordinate and Pomona Granges all bought bonds besides taking over the rural area. The fact that the county went away over the top speaks for our work without further comment.

We have also taken over the War Chest Drive in the rural area and are doing anything and everything possible for the war effort.

Siskiyou County is a wide spread area and very hard to contact but Grangers are very willing and cooperative and the Grange spirit is making its way into all areas of the county.

Fraternally submitted,  
VAYNE O. RALSTON, Deputy  
Siskiyou County.

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## SONOMA COUNTY

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

This last year has been a busy one. There has been a substantial growth in membership in Sonoma County, also the Home Economics have been very active.

I regret to report that the Rincon Valley Grange lost all their Regalias and other belongings, destroyed by fire September 22nd, 1944. Having no place for a meeting Brother and Sister Paul Clark opened their warehouse and converted it into a Grange Hall with 100 members present.

With this kind of a Grange spirit and our energetic Worthy Master Earl Wymore this Grange will not fail. I had the pleasure of installing the Officers of Rincon Valley Grange and also of Sonoma Valley Grange, and have visited all Granges in the county.

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

### TULARE COUNTY

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

The Granges of Tulare County are doing good work and are in a thriving condition. They are taking an active interest in local and county affairs and have increased their membership. Each Grange took an active part in the Fifth War Loan Drive with much credit to the Grange. Most Granges purchased Bonds, thus doing all they can to help win the war.

The Tulare Grange has cleared its hall of debt and Farmersville Grange is next in line. We have one new Grange added to our list this year, that of Springville, with a membership of nearly fifty. I predict a successful future for this new Grange.

Tulare County is now affiliated with the Grangers Business Organization and I predict it will be a great benefit to Grange members.

We have an active Home Economics Club in Tulare County and leave it to the ladies to get things done!

Fraternally submitted,

J. E. GANGE, Deputy  
Tulare County.

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### NORTHERN HUMBOLDT COUNTY

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

It has been a pleasure working with you this past year.

The Granges in Humboldt County are getting along as well as can be expected owing to present conditions.

Fraternally submitted,

CECIL M. TURNER, Deputy  
Northern Humboldt County.



## EVENING SESSION

Reception: Tuesday, Oct. 17, 1944.

Presiding: Charles W. Hayenga, Master, Sacramento County Pomona Grange.

Addresses of Welcome:

Mr. Wilbur Haines, President, Sacramento Chamber of Commerce.

Mr. Charles Deterding, County Executive, Sacramento County.

Response: George Sehlmeier, Master California State Grange.

Cornet Solos: Arthur S. Court, accompanied by Mrs. Isabell Court.

"Good Night Beloved Good Night" James B. Oliver

"Kiss Me Again" Victor Herbert

Vocal Solos: Effie Spencer, accompanied by Mrs. Alice Foster.

Vocal Solos: Rosemary Frates

"My Hero" from "The Chocolate Soldier"

"One Alone" from "The Desert Song"

Vocal Solos: Bill Rase

"On The Road to Mandalay"

"Deep River" (Spiritual)

A Capella Choir, Sacramento Senior High School.

"Month of May" Irish tune

"The Night Is Young" a Fred Waring arrangement.

"De Gospel Train"

"Ride the Chariot"

Addresses:

Senator Hugh Donnelly, Stanislaus County

Morton Tompkins, Master Oregon State Grange

Entertainment de luxe: Sacramento Convention Ensemble: Roy Clair, Manager.

Fraternally submitted,

Celia M. Harding, Secretary  
California State Grange.

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SECOND DAY

Wednesday, October 18, 1944

The second day's session of California State Grange

convened at 9:30 A. M. and opened in regular form in the 4th degree, Worthy Master George Sehlmeier presiding.

The Divine Blessing was invoked by the Worthy Chaplain. "Bringing in the Sheaves" was sung.

During presentation of the Flag, Brother Harry Barnes acted as flag bearer, and the Star Spangled Banner was sung by all. Roll call of officers found all officers present.

The proceedings of the first day of this session were read, and approved.

Brother Morton Tompkins, master of Oregon State Grange, and Sister Tompkins, were escorted to the Master's Station and given a hearty welcome.

Grange was declared at recess, and the Worthy Master introduced Samuel J. Hume, state director for the United States Treasury Department, and in charge of War Bond Sales for California. Mr. Hume expressed the appreciation of the Treasury Department for the fine work done by California State Grange during the 5th War Loan Drive. The Sixth War Loan drive starts November 20 and ends December 16, but all sales made during November and December will count on the quota. Mr. Hume stated that many people are taking the mistaken view that the war is about over, and it will be only a matter of a few weeks. Nothing could be farther from the truth—with the winning of the European war, the task is only half through, and we still have the Pacific War to win and our efforts must not be allowed to slacken.

Nominations were declared open for the office of Lecturer. The following were nominated:

Sister Hilda Atkins—Shasta County.

Sister Lydia Joiner—Modoc County.

Sister Ruth Dye—Santa Cruz County.

Nominations were declared open for the office of Gatekeeper. Those nominated were:

Brother A. J. Crandall—San Luis Obispo County.

Brother Lester Martin—Contra Costa County.

Nominations were declared open for member of Executive Committee. Nominated were:

Brother F. R. Davis—San Bernardino County.

Brother W. L. Smith—Kern County.

Brother Chas. Hayenga—Sacramento County.



Invitations were declared in order to be received for next years session of California State Grange. A letter had been received by the Worthy Master inviting the convention to Santa Cruz County, but no action was taken.

It was moved by Brother Carroll that the matter of meeting place for the 1945 session of California State Grange be left in the hands of the Executive Committee. Motion seconded and carried.

Brother Ray McKaig, Chairman of the Legislative Committee of Idaho State Grange, was announced, and escorted to the Master's Station. He addressed the delegate body, and managed to keep those present in excellent humor while discussing some very grave questions, such as the Japanese question.

Brother A. L. Christopher, Chairman, reported for the Agricultural Committee. Report will be found under final and complete report of committee.

Grange stood at recess for an address by Clarence Murphy, of the California Credit Union League. At the close of his address, Brother John Berg, Placer County, was escorted to the Master's Station and presented with the license for the new Placer-Nevada Grange Credit Union. Brother Berg expressed his appreciation.

Two conferences were announced for Thursday afternoon—Room 4, Credit Union Members, and Room 5, Credit Union Officers and Committee Members—both conferences at 4:30.

Brother Harry Barnes occupied the Master's Station while the State Master stood for the photographer, and Brother Tompkins, Oregon State Grange Master, drew the winning number for the Aberdeen-Angus Heifer offered as a prize for War Bond Sales. The winner was to be announced over the 12:45 broadcast.

The Radio Broadcast followed, during which time Mountain View Grange, Santa Clara County, was announced as winner of the heifer.

Grange stood at recess at 1:00 P. M.

#### WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON

California State Grange reconvened at 2:45 P. M. and Eugene Starkey, State President of Future Farmers of America, was introduced. He had just returned from their National Convention and spoke of the close coopera-

tion between the Grange and his organization, stating that our National Master Albert S. Goss had been a speaker at their convention.

Mr. Howard Chappell, State Advisor of F. F. A. was introduced and addressed the convention. He stated that while the Military service had made serious inroads on the membership of the Future Farmers, the boys nevertheless have made a fine showing in producing food for the nation. Recess was declared at an end.

Grange was called to order and declared open in the fourth degree.

Brother George C. Jewett was introduced and presented his report for the Farmers Inter-Insurance Automobile Exchange. Copies of his report were distributed at the close of his address. He stated that accidents had been reduced during lowered speed rates, but that a higher rate was anticipated as war restrictions are removed.

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

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#### STATE JUVENILE SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

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

Wartime service is the main objective the Juvenile Granges of California have done this past year. Many tons of paper have been collected, scrap iron of all kinds, rags, tinfoil, fats and tin cans gathered. With the proceeds they bought war stamps and bonds in the name of their Grange. They also donated freely to the Red Cross. During vacation Juvenile boys and girls did their part in helping in the production of food. They planted victory gardens for home use and helped in planting, weeding and harvesting of fruit and vegetables for commercial use.

In a pamphlet gotten out by our National Superintendent, Margaret Caldwell, "Wartime Service on the Home Front," California was represented by two pictures from Three Forks Juvenile Grange. One picture showing the sale of war stamps, the other a display of robes that were



turned over to the Red Cross. Only five states contributed to this magazine and I am happy to know that California was one of the five. All states were asked to contribute.

State awards for 1943: Exhibit award of \$7.00, first prize was given to Three Forks Juvenile Grange; second prize of \$5.00 was given to Mt. Hamilton Juvenile Grange. Scrap Book awards: First prize of \$5.00 won by Three Forks Juvenile Grange; second prize of \$4.00 won by Panama Juvenile Grange and third prize of \$3.00 won by Kerman Juvenile Grange.

Three new Juvenile Granges were organized this last year. On January 28th, Potter Valley was organized by Brother H. A. Dickey in Mendocino County. April 7th, Los Molinos was organized by Brother John Deming in Tehama County and on June 9th, Brother H. A. Dickey again organized Ukiah in Mendocino County. We now have 23 Juvenile Granges.

Monthly bulletins are continuing to go out to all Matrons and Patrons in California. My first bulletin started in October 1938 and I have never missed an issue since that time.

I am very happy to announce that Farmersville Juvenile Grange met all requirements and were able to receive an honor certificate this year.

The winner of the National Essay Contest from California for 1944 is Barbara Klare, age 13 years, from Three Forks Juvenile Grange in El Dorado County. The subject being, "The Grange and Community Improvement." The essay will be printed in the next issue of the Grange News, on our Juvenile page.

I am very happy to know we have been given a page in the Grange News exclusively for Juveniles. I hope to have full cooperation from all the Juvenile Granges so we can continue to have this page.

The Juvenile Granges in California have done much better this year than last and we hope this coming year with the cooperation of all the Deputies, California will be among the highest in Juvenile Granges in the Nation.

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.

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It was moved by Sister Sickie that the same finances be allowed Juvenile work as last year. Seconded and carried.

Sister Mabel Glenn, Chairman of the State Home Economics Committee, submitted her report as follows:

### HOME ECONOMICS COMMITTEE REPORT

Officers and Members of the California State Grange, Greetings:

The Home Economics Clubs of the California State Grange deserve their full share of credit for services rendered our State this past year.

The work of the Clubs has changed from a social to an active participation in all lines of war work, canteen service, Red Cross work, U. S. O. activities, blood donors, foreign relief, salvage collections, war loans, stamps and bonds purchased. Our women have faithfully done their share in spite of additional burdens in their own homes.

During the year I was privileged to visit in each Grange County, except two, in our state, coming in direct contact with the Club membership.

Supplementary leaflets of the year's work were issued and sent all chairmen the first of the year. Two hundred eighty letters and post cards have been mailed from my desk, besides other literature.

\$175.75 has been contributed to our Student Loan Fund and \$60 was added to our State Grange Building Fund. Our exhibits speak of many hours work.

The position of responsibility and leadership which the Grange Home Economics Clubs hold in their respective communities is of inestimable value to the war program.

The war is still with us and much depends upon the home front, may we continue on unitedly ever increasing



our service to our State and Nation for the good of all.

I wish to express appreciation for the splendid co-operation received from all Clubs.

We recommend the same appropriation be continued to carry on our work.

Fraternally submitted,

MABEL GLENN  
EMMA MICHALK  
MARGARET STEWART  
MAMYE HILL

Moved by Brother LaCaille, seconded by Brother Atkins that the appropriation be continued for Home Economics work in California. Motion carried.

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

#### SALVAGE

1—Humboldt Pomona .....	\$7.50
2—San Bernardino Pomona .....	6.00
3—Santa Clara Pomona .....	5.50
4—Kern Pomona .....	5.00
5—Stanislaus Pomona .....	4.50

#### PATTERNS

1—Kern Pomona .....	\$7.50
2—San Bernardino Pomona .....	6.00
3—Butte Pomona .....	5.50
4—Santa Clara Pomona .....	5.00
5—Orange Pomona .....	4.50

#### HONOR AWARDS

##### Salvage

1—Tulare Pomona .....	\$1.00
2—Riverside Pomona .....	1.00
3—Placer Pomona .....	1.00
4—Glenn Pomona .....	1.00

##### Patterns

1—San Luis Obispo Pomona .....	\$1.00
2—Sonoma Pomona .....	1.00
3—Santa Cruz Pomona .....	1.00

##### Products Table

4—Valley Oaks .....	\$1.00
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**HISTORY BOOKS**

1—Sierra Valley .....	\$5.00
2—East Palo Alto .....	3.00
3—Farmersville .....	2.00
4—Rio Linda .....	1.00

**SCRAP BOOKS**

1—Kern Pomona .....	\$4.00
2—McArthur .....	3.00
3—Ojai Valley .....	2.00
4—Orland .....	1.00

**YEAR BOOKS**

1—Fonbloom .....	\$3.00
2—San Luis Obispo .....	2.00
3—Davis Creek .....	1.00

Sister Glenn, who a week ago was presented with the California Good Neighbor Orchid on a breakfast broadcast, stated that she would like to present the orchid to our Worthy Master. In view of his reluctance to wear it, however, she expressed her appreciation for his cooperation and presented the orchid to our Worthy State Flora to wear during the session. Sister Glenn stated also that \$10 had been sent her following her award as a good neighbor, and she was donating the \$10 to the State Grange Building Fund. She then presented the State Master and Sister Sehlmeier with a War Bond, a gift of the Home Economics Clubs of California. The Worthy Master responded very graciously in behalf of himself and Sister Sehlmeier, expressing appreciation for the fine work the Home Economics Clubs are doing in this state.

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Brother L. H. Harding, Chairman of the Credential Committee, presented 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 out of 40 represented with 65 delegates in attendance. There are 212 Subor-



dinate Granges out of 299 represented with 349 delegates.

A total of 248 Granges represented and 414 delegates in attendance.

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#### POMONA GRANGES

Butte—Master E. L. Holmes and wife.  
Colusa—Master Marshall Dopkins and wife.  
Del Norte—Master Chas. Glover and wife.  
El Dorado-Amador—Master J. Saunders and wife.  
Fresno—Master Orval Davis and wife.  
Glenn—Master H. L. Click and wife.  
Humbolt—Master L. H. Valentine and wife.  
Kern—Master W. L. Smith and wife.  
Kings—Alternate V. L. Johnson and wife.  
Lassen—Master Fred Nuckolls and wife.  
Los Angeles—Alternate G. W. Bode and wife.  
Mendocino—Alternate Clara V. Cook.  
Merced—Alternate H. T. Whitley and wife.  
Modoc—Master Lydia N. Joiner and husband.  
Mojave Valley—Master Wm. G. Tyler and wife.  
Monterey—Master Hubert Brown and wife.  
Napa-Lake—Alternate Allen Lindbeck and wife.  
Orange—Master Robert Wardlow and wife.  
Placer-Nugget—Master Wm. E. Wakefield.  
Riverside—Alternate R. D. Patterson and wife.  
Sacramento—Master Chas. W. Hayenga and wife.  
San Bernardino—Alternate T. H. Barnhold and wife.  
San Diego—Master Harry Carroll and Wife.  
San Joaquin—Master Ed Milldrum and wife.  
San Luis Obispo—Master Don Bridge and wife.  
Santa Barbara—Master Fred Lang and wife.  
Santa Clara—Master A. L. Christopher and wife.  
Santa Cruz—Master Frank C. Nickerson.  
Shasta-Trinity—Alternate Arden Reynolds and wife.  
Siskiyou—Alternate Ralph Leavers and wife.  
Solano—Alternate George S. Kirbyson.  
Sonoma—Master Wellington Hiatt and wife.  
Stanislaus—Master Jack Sinclear and wife.  
Tehama—Alternate Mrs. Chas. L. Conway.  
Tulare—Master Henry T. Lively.  
Yolo—Alternate Williard F. Smith.

## SUBORDINATE GRANGES

## AMADOR COUNTY

Ione—Master Evert Gritton and wife.

## BUTTE COUNTY

Chico—Alternate Lottie O. Kohlhoff.

Paradise—Alternate Wm. H. McNeil and wife.

Wyandotte—Master Geo. A. Critchett and wife.

Durham—Master C. A. Cooley and wife.

Biggs—Alternate Benjamin F. James and wife.

Gridley—Alternate W. H. Ray and wife.

Palermo—Alternate Violet Parker and husband.

## CALAVERAS COUNTY

Calaveras—Master Neal Christensen and Wife.

## COLUSA COUNTY

Williams—Master Wilbert H. Kitts and wife.

Colusa—Alternate Raymond Stuart.

Stonyford—Master Geo. L. Mason and wife.

Arbuckle—Alternate H. L. O'Roke and wife.

## CONTRA COSTA COUNTY

Danville—Master Anna L. Martin and husband.

Diablo Valley—Master A. C. Anderson and wife.

## DEL NORTE COUNTY

Crescent Redwood—Master E. R. Griffin.

Lake Earl—Alternate Alfred Goodlin and wife.

## EL DORADO COUNTY

Marshall—Alternate A. P. Demuth.

Gold Trail—Master Corrinne Miller.

Three Forks—Alternate Charles Whitmore and wife.

## FRESNO COUNTY

Riverdale—Alternate Mrs. N. R. Roberts and husband.

Easton—Master Marian Patch.

Clovis—Master J. G. Maxwell and wife.

Sanger—Master Helen Crow.

Kerman—Master Mabel Van Ness.

Central—Master R. O. Marshall.

Fowler—Master H. C. Neel and wife.

Kingsburg—Master A. W. Stone and wife.



## GLENN COUNTY

Orland—Alternate H. L. Lundeen and wife.  
Jacinto—Alternate Charles O. Vestner.  
Golden State—Alternate R. H. Young.

## HUMBOLT COUNTY

Redwood—Master Alfred Nolander and wife.  
Mad River—Alternate E. H. Aldridge and wife.  
Freshwater—Alternate L. W. Sibley.  
Orick Valley—Alternate Math Konrad.  
Bayside—Master Rollo Guthridge and wife.  
Van Duzen River—Master John Heston and wife.  
Rohner—Alternate Marguerite Vickrey.  
Garberville—Master L. A. Robertson and wife.  
Dow's Prairie—Master Phillip Crawford and wife.  
Eel River Valley—Alternate Jennie Ericcson.  
Humbolt—Master Ida Pasco and husband.

## KERN COUNTY

Fairfax—Master C. C. Kofahl and wife.  
Rosedale—Master Milton Heath and wife.  
Wasco—Alternate John Nale and wife.  
Delano—Alternate Chas. Dawson and wife.  
Panama—Master A. E. Deabill and wife.  
Weed Patch—Master John E. Luhmann.

## KINGS COUNTY

Island—Alternate C. H. Fall and wife.  
River Bend—Master John Ellberg and wife.  
Kings River—Alternate Josie Ritchie.

## LAKE COUNTY

Bachelor Valley—Master Geo. A. Doss and wife.

## LASSEN COUNTY

Standish—Alternate Dora Woodstock.

## LOS ANGELES COUNTY

Ranchito—Alternate Mrs. Edith Sickie.  
Durfee—Alternate Virgie Cox.  
Quartz Hill—Master W. C. Merchant and wife.  
Alpine—Alternate Ernest Boaz and wife.  
Joshua Tree—Master O. N. Groven and wife.  
Val Verde—Alternate John W. Keefer and wife.

## MENDOCINO COUNTY

Little Lake—Alternate H. S. Simonsen and wife.  
Ukiah—Alternate C. N. Snyder and wife.  
Garcia—Alternate Ella Walker.  
Potter Valley—Master Harry H. Cook and wife.  
Redwood Valley—Alternate A. J. Frye.  
Fort Bragg—Alternate T. F. Sutliff and wife.

## MERCED COUNTY

Hilmar—Master J. Rueben Goodson and wife.  
Bear Creek—Alternate Robert Weaver and wife.  
Merced Colony—Master F. E. Phinney and wife.  
Winton—Alternate A. S. Court and wife.  
New Era—Alternate Chester Hansen.  
Dos Palos—Master T. W. Gaffery.

## MODOC COUNTY

Lookout—Master B. F. Neal and wife.  
Mt. Bidwell—Alternate Esther Burgoyne and husband.  
Davis Creek—Master Dan W. Casey and wife.  
Alturas—Master G. C. Talbott and wife.

## MONTEREY COUNTY

Greenfield—Alternate D. H. Melendy and wife.  
Parkfield—Alternate Dolores Jones.  
Monterey Bay—Alternate Mrs. Hattie Pitcher.  
Springfield—Alternate Hans Struve and wife.

## NAPA COUNTY

Rutherford—Master C. J. Rust and wife.  
Napa—Master W. I. Mannering.  
Silverado—Master August Brucker and wife.

## NEVADA COUNTY

Banner—Alternate W. C. Campbell and wife.

## ORANGE COUNTY

La Habra—Alternate George Varnum.  
Wintersburg—Alternate E. L. Metz and wife.  
Tustin—Alternate Roscoe Grout and wife.  
Centralia—Alternate J. W. Wright and wife.  
Anaheim—Master Oscar Maass and wife.  
Garden Grove—Master Chas. E. Stevens and wife.  
Costa Mesa—Master Joseph Rapier and wife.



## PLACER COUNTY

Long Valley—Master Joseph F. Ferry and wife.  
Mt. Vernon—Master Frances L. Eckles and husband.  
Sierra Nevada—Alternate A. H. Turner and wife.  
Loomis—Master Chas. Stallman and wife.  
Placer Foothill—Alternate Kittie Van Horn and husband.  
Gold Hill—Alternate Clara Gage.

## PLUMAS COUNTY

Sierra Valley—Alternate Robert C. Mercer.  
Feather River—Alternate Vera Fagan.  
Indian Valley—Alternate Arlene Taresh.

## RIVERSIDE COUNTY

Alessandro Valley—Master W. A. Shepherd.  
Rubidoux—Master Harold G. Heald and wife.  
Glen Avon—Master Ralph Grovier and wife.  
Perris Valley—Master John A. Hanson and wife.  
Nuevo Lakeview—Alternate Anna Hammerschmidt.  
Hemet-San Jacinto—Master Lloyd Wilson and wife.  
Palm—Master George Swain and wife.  
Cherry Valley—Master Morris Crane and wife.

## SACRAMENTO COUNTY

Antelope—Alternate A. T. McBride and wife.  
Rio Linda—Master Myrtle Wilson and husband.  
American River—Master Margaret Robinson.  
Sacramento—Master Ella C. Braughler and husband.  
Valley Oaks—Alternate Chas. Bellie.  
Orangevale—Master Elmer Binning and wife.

## SAN BENITO COUNTY

San Benito—Alternate J. L. Veith and wife.  
Hollister—Alternate Wm. Parker and wife.

## SANTA BARBARA COUNTY

Lompoc—Master Owen Hollister.  
Los Alamos Valley—Master Mary Serpa and husband.

## SAN DIEGO COUNTY

Vista—Master Wm. G. LaCaille.  
Fall Brook—Alternate John Webb.  
Valley Center—Master James J. Smith.

## SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY

Vernalis—Master Frank D. Reyner and wife.  
Lockeford—Master Marshall W. Fisher and wife.  
French Camp—  
Lathrop—Alternate Christina Pyle.  
Woodbridge—Master Dell Judge and wife.  
Escalon—Alternate E. Elmer Swagerty and wife.  
Ripon—Alternate C. L. Fogle and wife.

## SAN LUIS OBISPO

El Paso de Robles—Master Samuel Gibson and wife.  
San Luis Obispo—Master Rubie Alberti and husband.  
Triangle—Alternate Sadie F. Pruitt.  
Estrella—Master Clarence T. Rougeot and wife.  
Atascadero—Alternate Archie J. Crandall.

## SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY

Hesperia—Alternate George Anderson and wife.  
Del Rosa—Alternate Earl Kerr and wife.  
Hinkley Valley—Master Roy T. Hill.  
Yucaipa Valley—Master John P. Greven and wife.  
Phelan—Master Henry A. Johnson and wife.  
Muscoy—Alternate W. D. Baine and wife.  
Fonbloom—Master E. C. Cope and wife.  
Apple Valley—Master A. E. Martinson and wife.  
Lucerne Valley—Master Myrtle Hellman and husband.

## SANTA CLARA COUNTY

Mt. Hamilton—Master Chas. Swanson and wife.  
Orchard City—Master J. C. Gordon and wife.  
Sunnyvale—Master Ida Opperman.  
Almaden—Alternate Effie Spencer and husband.  
Coyote—Alternate Carl Ryser and wife.  
San Jose—Alternate Ida F. Skow.  
Gilroy—Alternate Glen Cleveland and wife.  
Mountain View—Master Christine O. Ainsworth and husband.

## SANTA CRUZ COUNTY

Roache—Alternate Leva Nahl.  
Santa Cruz-Live Oak—Alternate Lue Russell.  
Madonna—Alternate William H. Mahanke and wife.  
Corralitos—Alternate Claude French and wife.



## SHASTA COUNTY

Anderson—Alternate Stella Treat.  
Mt. Lassen—Alternate Paul Meiske and wife.  
McArthur—Alternate Robert Ingram and wife.  
Fall River—Master Joy Reynolds.  
Redding—Master Margaret Stewart.  
Millville—Master Hilda Atkins and husband.  
Hat Creek—Alternate Chester Bethel and wife.  
Castle—Master Ramon Arnold and wife.

## SISKIYOU COUNTY

Mt. Bolivar—Master Rodney Gregg.  
Tulelake—Master H. T. Street and wife.  
Greenhorn—Master Vayne Ralston and wife.  
Gazelle—Alternate Alta Bowman.  
Hornbrook—Alternate A. N. Jackson.

## SOLANO COUNTY

Dixon—Master Willard Bulkley and wife.  
Tolenas—Master Gustav Eittreim.  
Vacaville—Master Vincent Granucci and wife.

## SONOMA COUNTY

Santa Rosa—Alternate Chas. F. Connors and wife.  
Rincon Valley—Master D. E. Wymore.  
Sebastopol—Alternate Ezra Briggs and wife.  
Bellevue—Master John B. Freitas and wife.  
Progressive—Master Paul M. Travis and wife.  
Sonoma Valley—Master Myrtle Bowie.  
Windsor—Master Ernest Bronson and wife.  
Bennett Valley—Alternate Veva Talbot.

## STANISLAUS COUNTY

Keyes—Alternate C. A. Talbott.  
Turlock—Alternate Hugh P. Donnelly and wife.  
Shiloh—Alternate Ed Craig and wife.  
Stanislaus-Mt. View—Alternate Goldie Carey.  
Ceres—Master Everett L. Fountain.  
Empire—Master Chas. Harding and wife.  
Prescott—Alternate Hattie Johnson.  
Wood Colony—Alternate Claire Hilliker and wife.  
Gratton—Master Ralph Foote and wife.  
Waterford—Alternate John Tallent and wife.  
Oakdale—Master Lawrence E. Argabright and wife.  
Westport—Alternate T. W. Olson and wife.

## SUTTER COUNTY

South Sutter—Master Clarence Coppin and wife.  
General Sutter—Master W. D. Mangells and wife.

## SAN MATEO COUNTY

East Palo Alto—Alternate Rosa Brown.

## TEHAMA COUNTY

Los Molinos—Alternate Lola B. Shaw.  
West Side—Master Edmund Walker and wife.  
Independent—Alternate Mabel Stark.  
Capay—Alternate F. A. Schomann and wife.  
Maywood—Alternate Walter Mayes.  
El Camino—Alternate C. L. Boyd and wife.

## TRINITY COUNTY

Trinity Valley—Alternate Henry Seely and wife.

## TUOLUMNE COUNTY

Sonora—Master Andy Poor.

## TULARE COUNTY

Dinuba—Alternate W. J. Liebau.  
Alpaugh—Master W. R. Mead.  
Earlimart—Alternate Harry K. Geivet.  
Poplar—Master S. J. Tasker.  
Farmersville—Master Clarence Harrell.  
Pixley—Alternate C. W. Kinsella and wife.  
Tulare—Master Charles Hoffman and wife.

## VENTURA

Ojai Valley—Master Elgwyn Taylor and wife.  
La Avenida—Alternate Lela Payton.

## YUBA COUNTY

Brownsville—Master L. W. Higgins and wife.

## YOLO COUNTY

Davis—Master F. J. Greer.  
Western Yolo—Master John McCants and wife.  
Yolo—Master Clarence Paulson.

Fraternally submitted,  
L. H. Harding, Chairman  
Credentials Committee.



It was moved seconded and carried that the report of the Credential Committee be accepted.

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

Chairman E. L. Holmes of the Educational Committee made a partial report for his committee. Report will be found under final and complete report.

Grange stood at recess at 6:00 P. M., until 8:00 P. M.

#### EVENING SESSION

California State Grange re-convened at 8:00 P. M.

It was moved, seconded and carried that the close of the evening's session be set as the latest time that resolutions would be accepted.

A resolution was presented by Brother Willard C. Smith regarding the exclusion of Japanese having served in the armed service of the United States.

He also introduced a resolution regarding a Grange Business Organization meeting during State Convention.

It was moved by Brother Carroll that the resolutions be referred to Committee without recommendation from the delegate body. Motion seconded and carried.

Jack Sinclear, Chairman of the Marketing Committee made a partial report. Report will be found under final and complete report of committee.

Educational Committee—Brother E. L. Holmes reporting. Report will be found under final and complete report of committee.

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Brother George Critchett spoke regarding the excellent record of California Grange Fire Insurance Association—stating that its success rested upon the honesty and integrity of California Grange Members. Paid up membership in a Grange is a necessity to a valid policy.

Past State Master Brother Joseph Holmes and Sister Holmes were escorted to the Master's Station. Brother Holmes addressed the delegate body, expressing his gratifi-

cation at the growth of the Grange in California and his pleasure at being present.

Sister Holmes also responded graciously. She said Brother Holmes had been a Granger for 61 years and she has been a member for 62 years.

Sister Skow of San Jose Grange announced that Brother E. T. Pettit, Past Master of the California State Grange, would celebrate his 98th Birthday this year and San Jose Grange was making preparations to celebrate his Birthday on their first meeting in November. He has been a member of San Jose Grange for 58 years.

Brother Frank Greer, Vice-President of the Grangers Business Organization was introduced and gave a verbal report of that organization.

Grange closed in the Fourth Degree.

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

### THIRD DAY

#### THURSDAY MORNING

California State Grange opened in regular form, Worthy Master George Sehlmeier presiding. The Divine Blessing was invoked by the Worthy Chaplain. "Onward Christian Soldiers" was sung as the opening song.

Presentation of the flag followed, with Sister Audrey Von Hoehne, Ranchito Grange, acting as flag bearer.

Roll call of officers disclosed all officers present.

The Journal of Proceedings for Wednesday was read and approved as read.

Brother Morton Tompkins, Master of Oregon State Grange was escorted to the Master's Station.

Brother A. L. Christopher, Santa Clara County, asked that the State Secretary be requested to send greetings to Brother E. T. Pettit in November on the occasion of Brother Pettit's 98th birthday. The Secretary was so instructed, and also to send him greetings from this convention.

The Chairman of the Committee on Division of Labor announced that the portions of the Worthy Master's An-



nual Report pertaining to the various committees had been apportioned accordingly. His report was accepted and will be found under report of Committee on Division of Labor.

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

An announcement was made by Sister Glenn that tickets for the Home Economics Breakfast were entirely sold out, but that spectators tickets were on sale for those who cared to watch from the balcony. Ladies only, of course.

Sister Gingerich, Lecturer of Santa Cruz Live Oak Grange, was escorted to the Master's Station, and presented. She explained the novel Bond House which had been a feature at their Lecturer's Station, and presented to the State Grange a bond purchased from the proceeds of blocks sold in the little house.

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

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#### JUVENILE GRANGE PROGRAM FOR 1944

1. All singing "America."
2. "Farmers Dance"—Shirley and Clark Daniel, Thelma and Terry Rowe, of Mt. Hamilton Juvenile Grange.
3. Recitation—Joyce Davis of Kerman Juvenile Grange.
4. Dance—Shirley and Clark Daniel of Mt. Hamilton Juvenile Grange.
5. Ballet dance—Thelma Rowe of the Mt. Hamilton Juvenile Grange.
6. Recitation—Allan Swanson of Mt. Hamilton Juvenile Grange.
7. Military Dance—Joyce and Juanita Davis of Kerman Juvenile Grange.
8. Dance—Shirley and Clark Daniel, Thelma and Terry Rowe, Mt. Hamilton Juvenile Grange.

#### Scrap Book Awards—

1st Prize of \$5.00 won by Three Forks Juvenile Grange.

2nd Prize of \$4.00 won by Panama Juvenile Grange.

Guy Wilkins, Past Master.

3rd Prize of \$3.00 won by Kerman Juvenile Grange.  
Janice Bateman, Master.

Booth Prizes—

1st Prize of \$7.00 won by Ranchito Juvenile Grange.  
Edith Sickle, Matron.

2nd Prize of \$5.00 won by Mt. Hamilton Juvenile  
Grange. Elsa Swanson, Matron.

3rd Prize of \$3.00 won by Three Forks Juvenile  
Grange.

9. Address—Allan P. Lindsay, Assistant District Attorney,  
Santa Clara Co.

10. Closing: All singing "God Bless America." Led by  
J. C. Gordon.

Brother Elmer Binning, Master of Orangevale Grange,  
Sacramento County, and Sister Binning, were escorted  
to the Master's Station and given special recognition for  
the work of Brother Binning in securing 54 new members  
for Orangevale Grange during the Grange year just closed.

At 12:45 P. M. a broadcast over Station KFBK was  
presented from the Master's Station in the convention  
hall. Those taking part in the interviews were Brother  
O. M. Davis, "Grange stand on Conservation," Sister  
Cordie Hannah, "The Juvenile Grange," Brother Edwin  
Koster, "Grange Organization and duties of a State  
Deputy," Brother Merle Mensinger, "Deportation of Ja-  
panese."

Sister Christine Ainsworth, Master of Mountain View  
Grange, Santa Clara County, was escorted to the Master's  
Station and introduced. She accepted the Aberdeen-Angus  
award in behalf of her Grange.

Grange stood at recess at 1:00 P. M.

#### AFTERNOON SESSION

At 2:30 Thursday afternoon, Memorial Services, con-  
ducted by the Worthy Chaplain, Leta Littler, were held  
in honor of those who had passed away during the past  
year. Highlighted by an impressive candlelighting cere-  
mony, each candle being lighted as the eulogy was given,  
the service was one of beauty and dignity. Leading  
the processional, Brother Charles Foster, of the United  
States Navy, and a member of Sonoma Valley Grange,  
acted as Flag Bearer, and Brother George Critchett pre-



sented the eulogy of those who had made the supreme sacrifice in the service of their country.

### MEMORIAL SERVICES

Processional.

Preceded by Chief Boatswains Mate Charles Foster who presented the colors.

Silent Prayer.

Prelude .....Chaplain

Abide With Me .....Choir

Scripture Reading .....Chaplain

Nearer My God To Thee .....Choir

Eulogies

Lead Kindly Light .....Choir

Tribute to departed Service Men ....George Critchett

Tribute to the Living .....Chaplain

Closing Prayer .....Chaplain

Recessional—In the Sweet Bye and Bye.

Taps.

Those Deceased	By Whom Eulogized
Charles McLaughlin.....	Joe Saunders and Wife
Alberta Stearns.....	Roscoe Grout and Wife
Frank S. Clifton.....	Daisy Noel and W. J. Liebau
John J. Potter .....	B. F. Neal and Wife
A. A. Martin.....	A. L. Christopher and Wife
Carrie Martin.....	Glenn Cleveland and Wife
George Hawley.....	D. H. Melendy and Wife
H. A. Hansen.....	J. W. Anderson and Wife
J. A. Frost.....	Lewis Bayles and Wife
Albert McGlade.....	Edmund Walker and Wife
Fred Foster.....	John P. Greven and Wife
A. C. Williams.....	Charles Hoffman and Wife
Alva Tucker.....	Betty M. Merchant and S. J. Tasker
John Wilson.....	Anna Hanson and Thomas Barnhold
Joe Rose.....	Maude Pigeon and Charles Glover
John Weigand.....	Mrs. Charles Hayenga and Charles Bellie
Oliver Bradley.....	Elizabeth Rosgen and Frank C. Nickerson
James J. Holmes.....	Ella C. Braughler and Mark T. Hunt
Claude McDaniels.....	Amelia Johnstone and E. Briggs
Rank and File.....	Marguerite Vickery and George Davis

Grange reconvened at 3:30 P. M. Brother Ray Gill, Past Master of Orgeon State Grange and chairman of the National Grange Executive Committee, was announced and escorted to the Worthy Master's Station. He was accorded a hearty welcome. Brother Gill responded, expressing his enjoyment at being with us, and stressing the importance of Grange work during a critical time in our Country's history.

Brother Joseph Holmes, Past Master of California State Grange, was escorted to the Master's Station and presented with a beautiful bouquet of flowers by our Worthy Chaplain. He expressed his appreciation in behalf of Sister Holmes, who was to receive the bouquet.

Committee on Legislation, Merle Mensinger, chairman, made a partial report. Report will be found under final and complete report of Committee.

Grange recessed at 4:50 P. M., to reconvene at 8:00 o'clock.

#### EVENING SESSION

Grange was called to order by the Worthy Master at 8:00 P. M. Brother Edwin Koster, State Deputy and Overseer, was escorted to the Master's Station and presented a pillow by Brother Jack Sinclear in behalf of Stanislaus County Patrons, in order to soften his chair if not his duties.

The members of Santa Clara County Pomona Drill Team presented an elaborate and attractive floor drill. Dressed in pastel formals, and carrying arched garlands, their floor work was given with precision and a high degree of perfection. Following this the State Officers surrendered their stations to the members of the Santa Clara County Pomona Degree Team. Grange was closed in the Fourth Degree and opened in the Fifth. The Fifth Degree was then exemplified by the Santa Clara team with a class of 80 candidates.

#### FIFTH DEGREE CLASS

Alvernaz, Ida  
Austin, Miss Kathleen  
Barton, Billy  
Brunkhorst, Lillian K.  
Baker, Geo. F.

Bartlett, Charles W.  
Bunn, Mrs. Gussie M.  
Bronson, Ernest B.  
Bowman, Mrs. Alta  
Briggs, Mrs. Carrie



Briggs, Ezra  
Currie, Mrs. Ida  
Cederquist, Mrs. Vivian  
Crockett, Mrs. Delpha  
Crockett, Lester G.  
Calhoon, Anna M.  
Doss, Mrs. Edith  
Dick, Otto R.  
Dix, Mrs. Effie  
Dally, Elva B.  
Ellis, Grace  
Frazier, Mrs. Mabel  
Gritton, Evart C.  
Gratton, Mrs. Lavinia  
Gritton, Helen  
Garnar, Leon  
Garnar, Mrs. Leon  
Hatch, Miss Barbara  
Higgins, Mrs. Merle  
Higgins, L. W.  
Hoover, Bryant  
Hoover, Marjorie  
Hizer, Myrtle  
Hizer, Edgar  
Ingram, Robert  
Ingram, Mrs. Lois E.  
Johnson, Edward  
Johnson, Mrs. Ellen  
Kinsella, Mrs. Agnes  
La Fond, Mrs. Esther  
Moore, Mrs. Grace  
Moore, Ernest A.  
Mustain, Mrs. Mary  
Mitchell, Mrs. Edith  
Mangum, Charlotte

Maylone, Theodore  
McLaughlin, Maralee  
Neel, Mrs. Josephine  
Nasman, Louetta  
Poor, Andy  
Perdue, William H.  
Parker, Arthur  
Payton, Lela  
Pitchford, John B.  
Reynolds, Miss Joy  
Rank, Mrs. Clara  
Rutherford, Nellie  
Roberts, Myrtle  
Seely, Mrs. Helen  
Seely, Henry  
Street, H. T.  
Street, Mrs. H. T.  
Strosnider, Mrs. Tessie  
Solomon, Mrs. Helen E.  
Stark, Mrs. Mabel  
Simonsen, H. S.  
Simonsen, Mrs. Thyra  
Smith, Mrs. Annie  
Smith, J. H.  
Schomann, Mrs. Martha  
Schomann, F. A.  
Veith, J. L.  
Veith, Mrs. Mildred  
Wilson, Robert C.  
Washburn, Nina A.  
Washburn, Mrs. C. H.  
Worrall, Carlos J.  
Whitmore, Mrs. Carrie A.  
Whitmore, Chas. B.  
Wheeler, Mrs. Ethel

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 251 candidates. Especially noted was the precise marching of both classes of candidates who participated in the floor work of each degree.

## SIXTH DEGREE CLASS

Austin, Miss Kay	Dick, Otto R.
Anderson, Alleyne	Decker, B. F.
Anderson, George J.	Delzell, Allen M.
Arnold, Ramon	Delzell, Alta M.
Amann, Annie B.	Dawson, Charles
Adams, Charles E.	Dawson, Mrs. Opal
Arnold, Olivia	Descher, Mrs. Celia
Alvernaz, Ida	Dix, Mrs. Effie
Brown, Mrs. R. E.	Dolf, Mrs. Mary
Bowman, Mrs. Alta	Dolf, A. Dewey
Briggs, Ezra	Dunn, John D.
Briggs, Mrs. Carrie	Davis, Jr. John A.
Biegeman, Chas.	Davis, Ruth W.
Biegeman, Mrs. Minnie	Dally, Eva B.
Bronson, Ernest	De Vore, Mrs. Doris
Bunn, Mrs. Gussie M.	De Vore, C. E.
Bentz, Mrs. Florence	Eakles, H. C.
Brunkhorst, Charles	Ebersole, Dan
Boaz, Ernest	Ellis, Mrs. Lillian
Boaz, Henrietta	Ellis, Mrs. Grace
Brunkhorst, Lillian K.	Foote, Ralph
Bartlett, Charles W.	Foote, Mrs. Wilhelmina
Barton, Billy	Frye, A. J.
Baker, Geo. F.	Foster, Mary E.
Curtis, Nellie A.	Foster, Charles H.
Cooley, C. A.	Flood, Mrs. Clara
Calhoon, Anna M.	Flood, Leonard
Campbell, Mrs. Lillian	Foster, Mrs. Alice E.
Campbell, W. C.	Frazier, Mrs. Mabel
Crane, Morris E.	Fagg, Mrs. Helen
Crane, Agnes B.	Finn, Thomas
Currie, Mrs. Ida	Finn, Mrs. Mary
Cederquist, Mrs. Vivian	Graham, Mrs. Elsie
Conway, Mrs. Lottie	Grovier, Ralph
Curtis, Charles T.	Grovier, Cleo
Cannon, Mrs. Mary	Griffin, E. R.
Crockett, Mrs. Delpha	Goodfellow, Alta
Chase, Willis H.	Gaffery, T. W.
Crockett, Lester G.	Greven, John P.
Doss, Mrs. Edith M.	Greven, Mrs. Florence M.
Doss, George A.	Geivet, Harry K.



Grattan, Mrs. Lavinia	James, B. F.
Guthridge, Mrs. Marion	James, Mrs. Lottie
Goodlin, Dave	Johnson, Ernest T.
Goodlin, Alfred	Kline, Caroline
Gritton, Evert C.	Kerr, Earl W.
Greacher, Mae	Kerr, Mrs. Mayme
Greacher, John	Kinsella, Agnes
Gritton, Helen	Kitts, Wilbert H.
Garner, Leon	Kitts, Ruby I.
Garnar, Mrs. Leon	Lewman, E. S.
Hatch, Miss Barbara	Leavers, Grace
Harshbarger, Lela	Leavers, Ralph
Hoffman, Marie	Lynn, Mrs. Bertha
Hoffman, Charles	Lynn, Raymond
Heald, Harold G.	La Fond, William
Heald, Louise R.	Lothrop, George B.
Haskins, Maude L.	Lothrop, Mrs. Violet
Harrison, Mrs. Alice V.	La Fond, Mrs. Esther
Hull, Mary	Lear, Robert
Hull, M. H.	McKee, Mrs. Mary
Hansen, Peter E.	Moore, Grace
Hilliker, C. W.	Moore, Ernest A.
Hilliker, Mrs. Nellie	McClland, Mrs. Tirina
Hunt, H.	Merchant, W. C.
Hayenga, Mrs. Beatrice	McClelland, Joseph S.
Higgins, Mrs. Merle	Mustain, Mrs. Mary
Hilliker, Mrs. Arthuryn	Mayes, Walter
Hillwig, P. F.	Merchant, Betty M.
Higgins, L. W.	Mangum, Charlotte
Hilliker, V. P.	Miller, Corrine
Hullen, Jakob	Morey, George L.
Holmes, Jack	Morey, Nellie M.
Heinbach, Mrs. Priscilla	McLaughlin, Maralee
Hoover, Bryant	Maylone, Theodore
Hoover, Marjorie	Nasman, Louetta
Hizer, Myrtle	Nahl, Mrs. Leva E.
Hann, Mary P.	O'Roke, Henry L.
Hizer, Edgar	O'Leary, John D.
Ingram, Robert	Pohler, Lida Douglas
Ingram, Mrs. Lois E.	Poor, Andy
Johnson, Edward	Pruitt, Sadie F.
Johnson, Mrs. Ellen	Pasco, Mrs. Ida

- Pasco, Bert  
Patch, Mrs. Viola A.  
Pritchard, Mary  
Piper, Mrs. Edith E.  
Perdue, William H.  
Parker, Arthur  
Pidgeon, Mrs. Maude  
Patterson, Mrs. Gladys  
Parker, Violet V.  
Payton, Lela  
Pitchford, John B.  
Quinn, Ruth A.  
Routh, Blanch L.  
Routh, Alvin T.  
Reynolds, Miss Joy  
Ray, W. H.  
Ray, Mrs. Azella  
Rank, Mrs. Clara  
Rutherford, Nellie  
Roberts, Mrs. Myrtle  
Rosgen, Mrs. Elizabeth  
Seely, Mrs. Helen  
Seely, Henry  
Smith, James J.  
Street, Mrs. H. T.  
Street, H. T.  
Swain, George  
Swain, Mrs. George  
Stroing, Addie Ruth  
Smith, Ed K.  
Smith, Anna P.  
Stein, L. B.  
Strosnider, Mrs. Tessie  
Sprague, Dorothy  
Schroeder, Mrs. Mary Ann  
Swagerty, Mrs. Pearl  
Swagerty, Elmer  
Simonsen, H. S.  
Simonsen, Mrs. Thyra  
Solomon, Mrs. Helen E.  
Stark, Mrs. Mabel  
Sullivan, Minnie  
Shaw, Lola B.  
Shepherd, W. A.  
Smith, Mrs. Annie C.  
Smith, J. H.  
Stuart, Raymond  
Stitson, Willard  
Stitson, Zella  
Schaffer, Josiah  
Schaffer, Belle  
Sabine, Belden  
Schill, Walter A.  
Schill, Emma N.  
Schomann, Mrs. Martha  
Schomann, F. A.  
Turrell, Mrs. Wm.  
Turrell, Miss Ruth  
Tosetti, Joseph W.  
Tompkins, Mrs. Mary  
Taylor, Arthur  
Van Horn, Mrs. Kittie  
Veith, J. L.  
Veith, Mrs. Mildred  
Veregge, Richard R.  
Veregge, Vera  
Wilson, Robert C.  
Wilson, William  
Washburn, Nina A.  
Washburn, Mrs. C. H.  
Worall, Carlos J.  
Wright, Nora  
Wright, J. W.  
Whitmore, Mrs. Carrie A.  
Whitmore, Charles B.  
Warren, Flossie A.  
Warren, H. W.  
Wymore, D. E.  
Whitcomb, Katherine  
Whitcomb, Walter R.  
Wayne, Letha M.  
Wheeler, Ethel  
Yarnell, Ethel  
Yoder, Adon A.  
Young, Ida S.



At the close of the Sixth Degree, all those present joined Worthy Flora in the Feast of Pomona. Led by Worthy Flora and her court, all those present proceeded to tables set in the halls, replete with many fall fruits, which were much enjoyed by all who partook.

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

Fraternally submitted,

CELIA M. HARDING, Secretary  
California State Grange.

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#### FOURTH DAY

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 20, 1944

Preceding the opening of the session the annual Home Economics Breakfast was held in the beautiful Westminster Presbyterian Church of Sacramento, with State Home Economics Chairman, Sister Mabel Glenn, in charge of arrangements. A splendid program had been arranged which was enjoyed by all. The program closed by singing the Home Economics theme song which was composed by Sister Ruth Dye, District Deputy of Santa Cruz County.

All tickets for the breakfast were sold by the second day of the session and many spectator's tickets were sold which entitled holders to enter the balcony and witness the program. The event was proclaimed a grand success, with an attendance of 325.

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#### GRANGE SESSION

Grange opened at 10.25 A. M. in regular form, Worthy State Master George Sehlmeier presiding. The Worthy Chaplain led the delegate body in prayer, following which "America The Beautiful" was sung as the opening song. Presentation of the colors followed, with Sister Kath-

leen Argabright, Stanislaus County, acting as Flag Bearer. The "Star Spangled Banner" was sung by all.

Roll call of officers disclosed all present. The Journal of Proceedings for Thursday's session was read and approved.

A letter of greeting was read from James Littler, former Assistant Steward of California State Grange.

A telegram was read from William Ayres, former Editor of the California Grange News, now Lieut. (j.g.) in the United States Navy.

The report of the Elections Committee was received. The State Master declared the following officers elected: Lecturer, Sister Hilda Atkins.

Gatekeeper, Brother A. J. Crandall.

Executive Committeeman, Brother W. L. Smith.

Legislative Chairman, Merle Mensinger, continued his report, which will be found under final and complete report of committee.

Brother A. A. Brock, State Director of Agriculture, was introduced, and spoke regarding surpluses in California crops and importance of cold storage and warehouse facilities. He expressed the hope that in the future the Grange would continue to suggest measures for agriculture as they became necessary.

### RECESS

Grange stood at recess while Mr. Charles E. Carey, Regional Director for the Central Valleys Project, addressed the delegate body. He stressed the importance of the project from the standpoint of:

- 1—Irrigation.
- 2—Flood Control.
- 3—Electric Power.

Recess was at an end and at 12:30 P. M. a newscast was presented as it is put over the air from Station KFBK, and at 12:45 an interview was broadcast, presenting a recapitulation of the week's events at California State Grange Convention.

Marketing Committee Chairman, Jack Sinclear, made a partial report which will be found under final and complete report of committee.

Merle Mensinger, Legislation Committee Chairman, made a partial report which will be found under final



and complete report of committee.

Good of the Order Committee Chairman, August Brucker, made a partial report which will be found under final and complete report of committee.

Brother Brucker spoke regarding the State Grange Building Fund, and proposed a silver march for the benefit of that fund. The amount realized was \$306.60. The Worthy Master expressed his appreciation for this contribution toward such a fine objective. He said he hoped it would be called the "California Temple of Agriculture" since it will stand as a monument to the efforts of California farmers.

Conservation Committee Chairman, O. M. Davis, made a partial report which will be found under final and complete report of committee.

Grange stood at recess at 6:00 P. M. to reconvene at 8:00 P. M.

### EVENING SESSION

Grange session reconvened at 8:00 P. M.

Merle Mensinger gave the final and complete report of the Legislative Committee.

### LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

#### (First Report)

71 L 20—Rewritten to cover Legislation Numbers, 6, 7, 8, 9, 11, 13, 17, 18, 20, 22, two resolutions adopted by the Western States Masters in special meeting and the special resolution presented on the floor of the convention on Wednesday evening by Brother Willard F. Smith of Yolo County.

RESOLVED, that proposed deportation of Japanese should not apply to those having served in the armed services of the United States.

Committee recommended Do Pass as rewritten. After considerable debate, Brother O. M. Davis moved the previous question. Seconded by Brother August Brucker and carried. An amendment moved by Brother Willard Smith and seconded, that the word "disloyal" be inserted before the word "Japanese," was lost.

The Committee's recommendation was sustained and the resolution as rewritten was adopted.

## (Second Report)

53 L 2—Old Age Pensions. Committee offered a substitute resolution, and recommended, do pass. Adopted.

52 L 1—Supporting Veteran Bonds. Do pass. Adopted.

54 L 3—Blanket Primary Law for California. Do pass. Adopted.

56 L 5—Supporting Amendment 9 on the November Ballot. Committee recommended, do not pass. Moved, seconded and carried that Resolution 56 L 5 be withdrawn from Committee on Legislation and referred to Committee on Education. Motion carried.

61 L 10—Supporting Provisions of Kilgore and Cellar. Committee recommended, do not pass. Sustained.

63 L 12—Damage by Deer. No recommendation from Committee. Moved and seconded that the resolution be tabled. Motion lost.

Moved by Brother Wardlow, seconded by Brother Talbott that the resolution be referred to the Committee, with instructions to bring in an amended resolution embodying suggestions made from the floor. Motion carried. Referred to Conservation Committee.

67 L 16—Substituted for 72 L 21—Deducting rent from Pensioners' Homes. Do pass. Adopted.

65 L 14—Amending Liquor Control Law. Tabled in Committee. Sustained.

## (Final Report)

66 L 15—Abolish Electoral College. Do pass as amended. Adopted.

55 L 4—Opposing Cross Filing. Committee offered substitute resolution and recommended, do pass. Adopted.

74 L 23—Opposing Change in Calendar. Do pass. Adopted.

75 L 24—Abolishing Daylight Saving Time. Do pass. Adopted.

Legislative Supplemental Resolution—Opposing naturalization of certain Aliens. Do pass as amended. Adopted.

70 L 19—Opposing No. 12 on November Ballot. Do pass as amended. Adopted.



Resolution not numbered—Family Sized Farms. Do pass. Adopted.

Committee Resolution No. 3—Opposing No. 6 on November Ballot. Do pass. Adopted.

91 Roads and Highways No. 1—Highway Improvement. Do pass as amended. Adopted.

Unnumbered Supplemental Resolution—Roads and Highways. Increasing weight limit on light trucks. Do pass as amended.

#### GENERAL REPORT OF LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

We, the Legislative Committee, submit the following three point program on issues not covered by resolutions acted upon by the California State Grange.

1—We suggest that the State Grange support movements to bring new industries to the West Coast.

2—Highway Safety. We believe, that not only must there be strict enforcement of traffic laws, but safe driving campaigns, should be undertaken through education.

3—In Post War Planning, we must strive for the co-operation of the three great economic groups, agriculture, labor and industry, so that production may be kept at a high level, enabling this nation to meet its heavy financial responsibility.

MERLE MENSINGER, Chairman  
JOSEPH RAPIER  
W. E. HIATT  
OWEN E. HOLLISTER  
CHARLES W. GLOVER

The report was adopted and the Committee dismissed with thanks.

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The report of the Committee on Division of Labor, Vincent Granucci reporting.

#### DIVISION OF LABOR COMMITTEE REPORT

The Committee on Division of Labor has analyzed the State Master's annual address and has referred that portion pertaining to Social Welfare, Japanese problems and Industry in the West to the Legislative Committee; Agriculture, OPA, and WFA; Farm Labor and placing War Veterans on Land to the Agricultural Committee;

Acreeage Limitations on Reclamation Law and Central Valley Project to Conservation Committee; World Peace and Universal Military Training to Educational Committee; Marketing and Disposing of War Equipment to Marketing Committee.

Taxation to Tax Committee; Monetary Revision to Banking and Finance Committee; Credit Unions to Credit Union Committee; Condition of the Grange, California Grange News, and Grangers Business Organization to the Good of the Order Committee.

Fraternally submitted,

VINCENT GRANUCCI, Chairman

The report was adopted and the Committee dismissed with thanks.

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Chairman A. L. Christopher reported for the Agricultural Committee.

### AGRICULTURAL COMMITTEE REPORT

#### (First Report)

2 Ag 2—Gradual relinquishment of Agricultural Controls. Do pass. Adopted.

5 Ag 5—Protecting farm crops from wild game. Rewritten by Committee. Committee recommended do pass as rewritten, and to take the place of Ag 5 and Ag 10. Adopted.

7 Ag 7—Manufacture of Gasoline. Do pass as amended. Adopted.

#### (Second Report)

3 Ag 3—Social Security for Farm Labor. Do pass as amended. Adopted.

4 Ag 4—Grange Representation in WFA and OPA meetings. Do pass as amended. Adopted.

6 Ag 6—Importation of Farm Commodities. Do pass. Adopted.

9 Ag 9—Transferring Domestic Rabbit Control to Department of Agriculture. Do pass as amended. Adopted.



11 Ag 11—Combined with No. 12.

12 Ag 12—Family sized Farms. Substitute resolution written by Committee. Do pass as rewritten. Adopted.

13 Ag 13—Opposing Subsidies. Do pass. Adopted.

14 Ag 14—State Predatory Animal Appropriation. Do pass. Adopted.

(Third Report)

1 Ag 1—State Advertising of Farm Products. Tabled in Committee. Sustained.

8 Ag 8—Guayule Rubber. Tabled in Committee. Sustained.

15 Ag 15—Opposing shipment of Farm Machinery. Committee recommended do pass as amended. Further amendment moved by Brother Nale, that the last clause be stricken out and following the word "Country" in the last line, add the words "Until provision is made for the farmers of the United States to be amply supplied." Seconded and carried. Adopted as amended.

16 Ag 16—is covered by 4 Ag 4—no committee action.

(Final Report)

Committee Resolution No. 1—Purebred Livestock Foundation. Reaffirming State Grange action. Do pass. Adopted.

Supplementary Ag 17—Publicity on Farm Problems and Consumer prices. Do pass as amended. Adopted.

Supplementary Res.—Slaughtering of Livestock. Do pass. Adopted.

GENERAL AGRICULTURAL COMMITTEE REPORT

We, the undersigned members of the Agricultural Committee, highly commend the Worthy State Master's address. Many points have already been covered by previous resolutions, however, the committee urges that the State Master use the prestige of the California State Grange to further the consolidation of the OPA and WFA into one agency as recommended, to work toward the end that an adequate supply of labor be provided for the harvest of seasonable crops, whether it be Mexican Nationals or otherwise, and further, that the Grange assist

in establsihing County Committees for the purpose of placing War Veterans on the land.

Fraternally,

A. L. CHRISTOPHER, Chairman  
Wm. E. WAKEFIELD  
ROBERT WARDLOW  
LYDIA N. JOINER  
RUBIE ALBERTI

The report was adopted and the Committee dismissed with thanks.

Sister Olga Peterson, State Pomona in 1897-98, and in attendance at her first State Grange Convention in 41 years, was escorted to the Master's station and introduced. She responded briefly, expressing her pleasure at being present.

Brother Tompkins, Master of Oregon State Grange, and Sister Tompkins, were escorted to the Master's Station to say goodbye to the session, since it was time for their departure. The Worthy Oregon State Master in speaking emphasized the fact that the farmer instead of being a rugged individualist if he does not organize will become a "ragged individualist." With present modes of rapid travel it is necessary that the common people of the world come to understand one another.

Sister Tompkins added her words of farewell, and California State Grange said goodbye to its distinguished visitors.

Sister Helen Crow, Master of Sanger Grange was escorted to the Master's Station and accorded special recognition. Sanger Grange having made the largest percentage gain in membership during the past year. Sister Crow was presented with a corsage by the Worthy State Secretary, and expressed her thanks.

Brother Ray Gill, National Executive Committeeman, addressed the Delegates regarding the work of the National Grange, and emphasizing the important part our organization has played in protecting the American farmer. He stated: We on the Pacific Coast will move forward



to a new era of prosperity because we have had the courage to stand up and battle for public ownership of power.

Brother O. M. Davis, Chairman of the Committee on Conservation, presented his report.

#### CONSERVATION COMMITTEE REPORT

17 C 1—Central Valley Administration—already an accomplished fact—no action taken.

18 C 2—Combined with No. 7.

19 C 3—Power Politics in California. Do pass as amended. Adopted.

20 C 4—State Operation for Central Valley Project. Tabled in Committee. Sustained.

22 C 6—Criticising Senator Downey. Tabled in Committee. Sustained.

23 C 7—Preserving Calaveras Big Trees. (combined with No. 2) Do pass. Adopted.

24 C 8—Greatest effort to preserve Water and Power for people. Do pass. Adopted.

28 C 12—Public Power Rates. Do Pass. Adopted.

29 C 13—Central Valley Project. Do pass. Adopted.

30 C 14—Pine Flat Project. Do pass as amended. Adopted.

31 C 15—Government waste. Do pass as amended. Adopted.

33 C 17—Opposing Gold Dredging. Do pass as amended. Adopted.

#### (Second Part)

27 C 11—Substituted 17.

35 C 19—California Central Valley Project Hearing. Committee resolution substituted.

21 C 5—160 Acre Limitation law. Committee stated provisions contained in Committee Declaration of Policy. Do pass. Adopted.

25 C 9—Mexico-Colorado River Water Treaty. Committee recommended do pass. Adopted.

26 C 10—Supporting Public Distribution of Power. Covered in Declaration of Policy. No action. Sustained.

34 C 18—Opposing Amendment prohibiting sale of

power in competition with Private Utilities. Do pass. Adopted.

Unnumbered Conservation Resolution—re H. R. 3961. Do pass. Adopted.

Unnumbered Conservation Resolution—re H. R. 4485. Do pass. Adopted.

Unnumbered Conservation Resolution—re Water Storage on Tributaries of Sacramento River. Do pass. Adopted.

Legislative No. 12—referred to Conservation Committee: Damage by Deer. Committee recommended do pass as amended. Moved, seconded and carried that the resolution be tabled.

#### (Final Report)

32 C 16—Opposing Senate Bill 1948. Committee stated this is covered in Declaration of Policy. No action.

35 C 19—Central Valley Project. Committee presented a substitute resolution. Do pass. Adopted.

Legislative Resolution—Little T. V. A.—referred to Conservation Committee. Committee recommended do pass. Moved by Brother French, seconded by Brother Brucker that it be re-referred to committee. Motion lost. Moved and seconded the resolution be tabled. Motion carried.

#### CONSERVATION COMMITTEE DECLARATION OF POLICY

As a policy the California State Grange advocates the following:

1—That all of the natural resources of the United States are the property of the people and must be developed by the Government for the benefit of all the people.

2—We advocate that the natural resources of the country, the development thereof and the distribution to the people as well as the administration and operation of the projects be co-ordinated into one head, with a regional administration by the people in the areas affected, as far as possible.



3—That the Government of the United States will form a land policy whereby they must distribute the developed natural resources, land, power, and water in family sized farms to those citizens who desire to own and operate their own farms. The Grange will always work for the fostering and preservation of the family sized farm.

4—We ask that the returning Veterans be allowed to choose lands upon which they desire to create homes, and that the Government assist them in financing and advise in those instances where they desire and it is necessary.

5—To guard the financial interest of the people all Government developments should be financed and operated by the use of self-liquidating Revenue Bonds until such a time as the tariffs received from the sale of product would carry the financial burden.

O. M. DAVIS, Chairman  
MARSHALL DOPKINS  
WILLIAM G. TYLER  
JOHN A. HANSON  
H. T. WHITLEY

The Conservation Committee Declaration of Policy was adopted and the Committee dismissed with thanks.

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E. L. Holmes, Chairman reporting for Committee on Education.

#### COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION REPORT

(First Report)

40 E 1—Opposing Compulsory Military Training during peace time. Committee recommended do pass as amended. Moved, seconded and carried that the resolution be re-referred to the committee for rewriting.

42 E 3—Compulsory Military Training in High Schools. Committee recommended do pass as amended. Moved by Brother Kirbyson that the resolution be tabled. Seconded and carried.

## (Second Report)

40 E 1—Opposing Compulsory Military Training during peace time. Committee resolution read in lieu of Resolution 40 E 1. Committee recommended do pass. After some debate, Brother Sinclair moved the previous question. Seconded and carried. Committee resolution adopted.

41 E 2—Liquor Traffic. Committee recommended do pass as rewritten. Substitute resolution presented. Adopted.

43 E 4—Uniforms for Prisoners of War. Tabled in Committee. Sustained.

44 E 5—Socialized Medicine. Moved by Brother O. M. Davis, seconded by Brother Boaz that the resolution be tabled. Motion carried.

## (Final Report)

45 E 6—Hot School Lunches. Do pass. Adopted.

46 E 7—Gasoline for Transportation for School Athletic Teams. Do pass. Adopted.

Committee Resolution—No. 4 on November Ballot. Do pass. Adopted.

56 L 5—Supporting No. 9 on November Ballot. Referred to Committee on Education from Legislative Committee. Do pass. Adopted.

Chairman Holmes presented the General Report of his committee.

## GENERAL REPORT OF EDUCATIONAL COMMITTEE

This Educational Committee heartily endorses all the principles brought forth in our Master's address to the 1944 session of the California State Grange and emphatically urges that this convention adopt in its program that part relating to taking the profit out of war.

E. L. HOLMES, Chairman  
LYDIA N. JOINER  
MARGUERITE L. VICKREY  
MYRTLE BOWIE

The report of the Committee was adopted and the Worthy Master expressed his gratitude for the work of the Committee.



Marketing Committee Chairman, Jack Sinclear, reporting.

REPORT OF MARKETING COMMITTEE  
(First Report)

76 M 1—Disposal of War Equipment. Tabled in Committee. Sustained.

77 M 2—International Cartels. Committee recommended do pass. Moved by Brother O. M. Davis that the resolution be re-referred to the committee. Seconded and carried.

79 M 4—Milking cows before sale. Tabled in committee. Sustained.

88 M 13—Direct sale of War Equipment. Combined to include 3, 6, 7, 8, 10, 11, 13 and 15. Committee recommended do pass. Moved by Brother Donnelly, seconded and carried, that the resolution be re-referred to the committee for rewriting.

84 M 9—Resale of Government Land. Do pass. Adopted.

87 M 12—Eggs by the Pound. No recommendation by the committee. Moved by Brother Davis, seconded by Brother Nale, that the resolution be re-referred to the Committee. Motion carried.

89 M 14—Eggs by the Pound—combined with 87 M 12.

(Final Report)

77 M 2—International Cartels. Tabled in Committee. Moved by Brother Talbot, seconded by Brother Mannering that it be withdrawn from Committee. Motion carried.

Moved by Brother Holmes, seconded by Brother Talbot that the resolution be adopted with the resolution reading:

RESOLVED, that this State Grange is unalterably opposed to International Cartels of a secret nature.

Moved by Brother Holmes that above resolved clause be substituted for original resolution. Seconded and carried.

80 M 5—Price Ceiling Goods released by Government. Do pass as amended. Adopted.

Committee Resolution No. 1—War Materials—Substi-

tuted for Marketing Resolutions 3, 6, 7, 8, 10, 11, 13 and 15. Do pass. Adopted.

89 M 14—Marketing Eggs by the Pound. Suggested changing word "pound" to "weight." Do pass. Adopted.

Committee Resolution No. 2—Housing Facilities. Do pass. Adopted.

Chairman Sinclear presented the Declaration of Policy of the committee and moved its adoption.

#### MARKETING COMMITTEE DECLARATION OF POLICY

We, the Marketing Committee heartily endorse the following program:

1—The establishment and operation of Co-operative producer-consumer markets.

2—The minimum of regulation necessary to insure efficient operation.

3—Organizing for F. O. B. sales for perishable products.

4—The recommendations pertaining to marketing made in the Worthy State Master's report, regarding the handling of surplus war material through county co-ops.

JACK SINCLEAR, Chairman  
IDA PASCO  
CLARA V. COOK  
VAYNE O. RALSTON

The Declaration of Policy was adopted and the State Master thanked the Committee for their splendid work.

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Chairman August Brucker of the Good of the Order Committee offered the following report:

#### GOOD OF THE ORDER REPORT (First Report)

Unnumbered Resolution—G. B. O. Conference at State Grange.

Committee recommended do pass with resolution reading:

RESOLVED, that we request the members of the Grangers Business Organization to hold an annual Confer-



ence at the State Grange Convention, which all members may attend. Adopted.

Unnumbered Resolution—Proposal regarding subscription arrangement for Grange News. Do pass. Adopted.

Unnumbered Resolution—Transfer funds from General Fund to State Grange Building Fund. Do pass. Adopted.

(Final Report)

47 GO 1—Post War Planning. Committee recommends that it be referred to the Executive Committee. Recommendation adopted.

48 GO 2—Disposal of Resolutions. Moved by Brother O. M. Davis, seconded by Sister Sickles that the resolution be tabled. Carried.

49 GO 3—Traveling Card for Grange Members. Tabled in Committee, already have such a card. Sustained.

50 GO 4—Grange Rosters for Public Agencies. Do pass, as amended. Amended to read: That a copy of Grange Roster be furnished public agencies as the State Master may direct. Adopted.

51 GO 5—Proclaiming Grange Sunday. Do pass as amended. Adopted.

National Grange Ratification—National Grange per capita increase. Do not pass. Sustained.

Amendment to National Grange Constitution—Creating a per capita tax on Juvenile Granges to National Grange. Do pass. Adopted.

GENERAL REPORT OF GOOD OF THE ORDER  
COMMITTEE

Regarding that portion of the State Master's address referred to us by the Committee on Division of Labor, on condition of the Order, California Grange News and Grangers Business Organization, we approved the recommendations made by our Master, and wish to compliment him for his constructive leadership that has made possible the increase in membership.

The large delegation present at this convention is

ample proof that the California State Grange is stronger than at any time in its history.

AUGUST BRUCKER, Chairman  
GEORGE DOSS  
J. R. GOODSON  
MRS. STARK  
EDITH SICKLE

The report of the Committee was adopted and the Committee was dismissed with thanks.

Banking and Finance Chairman, Claud French, reporting.

#### BANKING AND FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

16 B and F 1—Monetary Reform—combined with unnumbered resolution from Vista Grange and presented as a Committee Resolution. Do pass. The resolution was adopted and the Committee discharged with thanks.

In the absence of the Chairman, E. D. Boaz reported for the Committee on Cooperation.

#### GENERAL REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON COOPERATION

36 Co-op 1—Application for membership in Western Granges. Do pass as amended. Adopted.

37 Co-op 2—Farm Cooperatives protected. Do pass as amended. Adopted.

38 Co-op 3—Credit organization for Co-ops. Tabled in Committee. Sustained.

39 Co-op 4—Cooperative Operation of War Plants. Substituted Committee resolution and recommended do pass. Adopted.

Unnumbered Resolution—War Materials. Substituted Committee resolution and recommended do pass. Adopted.

The Committee was dismissed, with thanks, by the State Master.

Don Bridge, Chairman of the Taxation Committee reported as follows:



## REPORT OF TAXATION COMMITTEE

92 T 1—Taxing Mineral Rights. Do pass. Adopted.

93 T 2 and 94 T 3—Limiting Government Expenditures. Do not pass. Sustained.

95 T 4—Proving up on mineral rights. Do pass. Moved by Brother McNeil, seconded by Brother Nale that the resolution be tabled. Motion carried.

96 T 5—Amending Tax Notice Law. Do not pass. Sustained.

## GENERAL REPORT OF TAXATION COMMITTEE

We, of the Taxation Committee endorse that part of the State Master's address on taxation, and move that it be endorsed by the delegate body and be made a part of this report.

DON BRIDGE, Chairman  
R. D. PATTERSON  
HUBERT BROWN  
H. L. CLICK  
A. W. STONE

The report of the Committee was adopted. The State Master dismissed the Committee and expressed his gratitude for their work.

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Credit Union Committee Chairman, Ed Milldrum reporting.

## REPORT OF CREDIT UNION COMMITTEE

CU No. 1—Removing Supervision from F. D. I. C. to F. C. A. Do pass. Adopted.

CU No. 2—Regarding Forming Credit Unions. Do pass. Adopted.

## GENERAL REPORT OF CREDIT UNION COMMITTEE

On behalf of the Grange Credit Unions of the State of California, this Committee takes pleasure in hereby sincerely thanking the State Master, Mr. George Sehl-meyer and the Executive Committee, for their continued cooperation and encouragement.

We are pleased to report progress with the organiza-

tion of another Grange Credit Union, namely, The Placer-Nevada Grange Credit Union under the leadership of Brother Berg, its first President and with definite prospects of the organization of four additional Unions, with several other Granges having expressed active interest.

We also take this means of expressing our appreciation to the California Credit Union League and to Mr. Clarence E. Murphy, its Executive Secretary for their constant cooperation, furnishing of literature, visiting Unions and for Mr. Murphy's personal assistance and appearance on the program of this Convention.

With the close of the Grange year, we have a total of fourteen Grange Credit Unions, with assets of approximately \$100,000.00. These Unions have loaned in excess of \$150,000.00 to date and have suffered an aggregate actual loss of \$20.75.

In view of the fact that Credit Unions have proved their value to Grange Members and a place in the Grange, and because of continuing and increasing interest on part of Granges throughout the State, we hereby request the enlargement of the Credit Union Committee to eight or ten members in order to more efficiently serve in the development of Grange Credit Unions and provide a better geographical representation.

We would also respectfully request and appreciate the privilege of again having a spot on the main program.

Also the Committee recommends consideration be given to including Credit Union activities at the Convention in the official printed program.

Because of its very valuable assistance, we suggest and would appreciate having the State Lecturer recommend to each Grange Lecturer the subject of "Credit Unions" once during the forthcoming year, in support of which request our Committee will be pleased to furnish the necessary information and speakers, literature, movie reels, etc., if desired.

This Committee has enjoyed the honor and privilege



of thus serving the State Grange and with our greetings the foregoing report is

Respectfully submitted,

ED MILLDRUM, Chairman  
 CLAUD R. FRENCH  
 MILDRED S. BOYD  
 HARRY G. DENTON

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

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—Evert C. Gritton and Wife .....		38	\$ 2.28
	Butte County		
Biggs—B. F. James and Wife .....		75	4.50
Palermo—Violet V. Parker and Husband		84	5.04
Durham—C. A. Cooley and Wife .....		90	5.40
Chico—Lottie Kohlhoff .....		100	3.00
Wyandotte—Mrs. Geo. A. Critchett .....		86	2.58
Paradise—W. H. McNeil and Wife .....		120	7.20
Gridley—W. H. Ray and Wife .....		69	4.14
	Del Norte County		
Crescent Redwood—E. R. Griffin .....		407	12.21
Lake Earl—Alfred Goodlin and Wife .....		407	24.42
	Contra Costa County		
Danville—Anna L. Martin and Husband ....		83	4.98
Diablo Valley—A. C. Anderson and Wife		77	4.62
	Colusa County		
Arbuckle—Henry L. O'Roke and Wife ....		60	3.60
Colusa—Raymond Stuart .....		75	2.25
Stonyford—G. L. Mason and Wife .....		103	6.18

Grange	Name	Miles	Amount
Williams—Wilbert H. Kitts and Wife ....	El Dorado County	58	3.48
Marshall—O. P. Demuth .....			
Three Forks—Chas. B. Whitmore and Wife		50	3.00
Gold Trail—Corrine Miller .....		50	1.50
Fresno County			
Fowler—H. C. Neel and Wife .....		180	10.80
Sanger—Helen C. Crow .....		146	4.38
Riverdale—Mrs. N. R. Roberts and Husband		212	12.72
Kerman—Mabel C. Van Ness .....		180	5.40
Central—R. O. Marshall .....		180	5.40
Easton—Marion E. Patch .....		200	6.00
Kingsburg—A. W. Stone and Wife .....		220	13.20
Clovis—J. G. Maxwell and Wife .....		170	10.20
Glenn County			
Jacinto—Chas. O. Vestner .....		135	4.05
Golden State—R. H. Young .....		98	3.74
Orland—H. L. Lundeen and Wife .....		110	6.60
Humboldt County			
Redwood—Alfred Noland and Wife ....		300	18.00
Bayside—Rollo Guthridge and Wife .....		316	18.96
Eel River—Jennie Ericcsen .....		250	7.50
Van Duzen River—John E. Heston .....		311	18.66
Mad River—E. H. Aldridge and Wife ....		320	19.20
Orick Valley—Math Konrad .....		375	11.25
Humboldt—Ida Pasco and Husband .....		330	19.80
Freshwater—L. W. Sibley .....		330	9.90
Garberville—L. A. Robertson and Wife ....		227	13.62
Dow's Prairie—Phillip Crawford and Wife		332	19.92
Kern County			
Wasco—John Nale and Wife .....		285	17.10
Weed Patch—John E. Luhmann .....		300	9.00
Rosedale—Milton Heath and Wife .....		290	17.40
Delano—Chas. Dawson and Wife .....		258	15.48
Fairfax—C. C. Kofahl and Wife .....		298	17.88
Panama—A. E. Deabill and Wife .....		275	16.50
Kings County			
Riverbend—John I. Ellberg and Wife ....		200	12.00
Kings River—Josie Ritchie .....		197	5.91
Island—C. H. Fall and Wife .....		204	12.24



Grange	Name	Miles	Amount
Lake County			
Bachelor Valley—George A. Doss and Wife	140	8.40	
Lassen County			
Standish—Dora S. Woodstock	250	7.50	
Los Angeles County			
Val Verde—John W. Keefer and Wife	438	26.28	
Durfee—Virgie M. Cox	463	13.39	
Ranchito—Edith Sickie	463	13.89	
Joshua Tree—O. N. Groven and Wife	400	24.00	
Alpine—E. D. Boaz and Wife	400	24.00	
Quartz Hill—W. C. Merchant and Wife	400	24.00	
Merced County			
Winton—A. S. Court and Wife	100	6.00	
Merced Colony—F. E. Phinney and Wife	124	7.44	
Dos Palos—T. W. Gaffery	147	4.41	
New Era—Chester Hansen	120	3.60	
Hilmar—J. R. Goodson and Wife	112	6.72	
Bear Creek—Robert Weaver and Wife	125	7.50	
Mendocino County			
Potter Valley—Harry H. Cook and Wife	160	9.60	
Little Lake—H. S. Simonsen and Wife	165	9.90	
Ukiah—C. N. Snyder and Wife	160	9.60	
Garcia—Ella Walker	200	6.00	
Fort Bragg—T. F. Sutliff and Wife	213	12.78	
Redwood Valley—A. J. Frye	170	5.10	
Modoc County			
Lookout—B. F. Neal and Wife	285	17.10	
Davis Creek—Dan W. Casey and Wife	330	19.80	
Alturas—G. C. Talbott and Wife	350	21.00	
Mt. Bidwell—Esther F. Burgoyne and Husband	361	21.66	
Monterey County			
Parkfield—Dolores L. Jones and Husband	267	16.02	
Monterey Bay—Hattie Pitcher	200	6.00	
Springfield—Hans C. Struve and Wife	198	11.88	
Greenfield—D. H. Melendy and Wife	202	12.12	
Nevada County			
Banner—W. C. Campbell and Wife	65	3.90	
Napa County			
Napa—W. I. Mannering	65	1.95	
Silverado—Jennie M. Brucker	94	2.82	

Grange	Name	Miles	Amount
Rutherford—C. J. Rust and Wife .....		64	3.84
Orange County			
La Habra—George Varnum .....		490	14.70
Centralia—J. W. Wright and Wife .....		445	26.70
Wintersburg—Edward L. Metz and Wife .....		463	27.78
Costa Mesa—Joseph Rapier and Wife ....		460	27.60
Tustin—G. Roscoe Grout .....		450	27.00
Anaheim—Oscar E. Maass and Wife .....		457	27.42
Garden Grove—Chas. E. Stevens and Wife .....		460	27.60
Placer County			
Gold Hill—Clara Gage .....		35	1.05
Loomis—Charles Stallman and Wife .....		28	1.68
Sierra Nevada—C. H. Turner and Wife ....		55	3.30
Long Valley—Joseph F. Ferry and Wife .....		40	2.40
Mt. Vernon—Frances L. Eckles and Husband .....		34	2.04
Plumas County			
Feather River—Vera Fagan .....		154	4.62
Sierra Valley—Robert C. Mercer .....		133	3.90
Indian Valley—Arlene Taresh .....		154	4.62
Riverside County			
Nuevo Lakeview—Anna Hammerschmidt .....		488	14.68
Rubidoux—Harold G. Heald and Wife ....		460	27.60
Alessandro—W. A. Shepherd .....		510	15.30
Palm—George Swaine and Wife .....		460	27.60
Hemet-San Jacinto—Lloyd Wilson and Wife .....		500	30.00
Cherry Valley—Morris E. Crane and Wife .....		525	31.50
Glen Avon—Ralph Grovier and Wife ....		460	27.60
Sacramento County			
Orangevale—Elmer Benning and Wife ....		20	1.20
Valley Oaks—Chas. L. Bellie .....		30	.90
San Diego County			
Valley Center—James J. Smith .....		598	18.94
Fallbrook—John Webb .....		580	17.40
San Benito County			
San Benito—Julias L. Veith and Wife .....		158	9.48
Hollister—W. E. Parker, Jr., and Wife .....		172	10.32
San Joaquin County			
Vernalis—Frank D. Reynor and Wife .....		70	4.20
Lockford—M. W. Fisher .....		50	1.50
Ripon—C. L. Fogle and Wife .....		68	4.08



Grange	Name	Miles	Amount
Escalon—E. E. Swagerty and Wife .....		72	4.32
Woodbridge—Dell Judge and Wife .....		40	2.40
French Camp—Christine Pyle .....		58	1.74
Santa Barbara County			
Los Alamos Valley—Mary J. Serpa and Husband .....		400	24.00
San Luis Obispo County			
Triangle—Sadie F. Pruitt .....		352	10.56
El Paso De Robles—Samuel Gibson and Wife .....		300	18.00
Estrella—Clarence Rougeot and Wife ....		270	16.20
San Luis Obispo—Rubie Alberti and Hus- band .....		313	18.78
San Bernardino County			
Apple Valley—A. E. Martinson and Wife		505	30.30
Yucaipa Valley—John P. Green and Wife		567	34.02
Lucerne Valley—Myrtle Hellman .....		542	16.26
Hesperia—George Anderson and Wife ....		505	30.30
Muscoy—W. D. Baine and Wife .....		543	32.58
Del Rosa—Earl Kerr and Wife .....		472	28.32
Phelan—Henry A. Johnson and Wife ....		505	30.30
Hinkley Valley—Roy T. Hill .....		425	12.75
Fonbloom—E. C. Cope and Wife .....		453	27.18
San Mateo County			
E. Palo Alto—Rosa Brown .....		130	3.90
Shasta County			
Castle—Ramon Arnold and Wife .....		241	14.46
Fall River—Joy Reynolds .....		245	7.35
McArthur—Robert Ingram .....		250	15.00
Mt. Lassen—Paul Mieske and Wife .....		150	9.00
Millville—Clinton D. Atkins .....		183	5.49
Hat Creek—Chester Bethel and Wife .....		221	13.26
Anderson—Stella Treat .....		165	4.95
Santa Clara County			
Orchard City—John Gordan and Wife ....		123	7.38
Coyote—Pearl Ryser .....		125	3.75
Sunnyvale—Ida Opperman .....		130	3.90
Mt. View—Christine O. Ainsworth and Husband .....		130	7.80
Gilroy—Glen Cleveland and Wife .....		163	9.78
San Jose—Ida L. Skow .....		126	3.78

Grange	Name	Miles	Amount
Mt. Hamilton—C. R. Swanson and Wife		130	7.80
Almaden—Robert Spencer and Wife		121	7.26
Santa Cruz County			
Santa Cruz—Live Oak—Lue C. Russell		150	4.50
Madonna—W. H. Malinke and Wife		170	10.20
Corralitos—C. R. French and Wife		170	10.20
Roach—Leva Nahl		170	5.10
Siskiyou County			
Hornbrook—A. N. Jackson		285	8.55
Greenhorn—Vayne Ralston		270	8.10
Gazelle—Alta Bowman		300	9.00
Tule Lake—H. T. Street and Wife		330	19.80
Mt. Bolivar—Rodney Gregg		285	8.55
Solano County			
Vacaville—Essie Granucci		35	1.05
Tolenas—Gustav Eittbreim		50	1.50
Dixon—Willard Buckley and Wife		25	1.50
Sonoma County			
Sonoma Valley—Myrtle Bowie		82	2.46
Windsor—Ernest B. Bronson and Wife		110	6.60
Rincon Valley—Dudley Earl Wyman		100	3.00
Santa Rosa—Chas. F. Connors and Wife		125	7.50
Bellevue—John B. Freitas and Wife		110	6.60
Progressive—Paul M. Travis and Wife		120	7.20
Bennett Valley—Vera Talbot		100	3.00
Stanislaus County			
Turlock—Hugh P. Donnelly and Wife		91	5.76
Wood Colony—C. W. Hilliker and Wife		80	4.80
Empire—Charles T. Harding and Wife		90	5.40
Stanislaus Mt. View—Goldie E. Carey		95	2.85
Ceres—Everett L. Fountain		80	2.40
Prescott—Hattie Johnson		80	2.40
Gratton—Ralph Foote and Wife		88	5.28
Shiloh—E. A. Craig and Wife		80	4.80
Oakdale—L. A. Argabright		80	4.80
Waterford—John M. Tallent and Wife		106	6.36
Keyes—C. A. Talbott		95	2.85
Westport—Theo W. Olson and Wife		95	5.70
Tehama County			
Independent—Mabel Stark		125	3.75
Maywood—Walter Mayes		120	3.60



Grange	Name	Miles	Amount
El Camino—C. L. Boyd and Wife .....		125	7.50
Capay—F. A. Schomann and Wife .....		110	6.60
West Side—Edmund Walker and Wife ....		158	9.48
Los Molinas—Lola B. Shaw .....		102	3.06
Trinity County			
Trinity Valley—Henry S. Seeley and Wife		285	17.10
Tuolumne County			
Sonora—Andy Poor .....		120	3.60
Tulare County			
Earlimart—Harry K. Geivet .....		250	7.50
Farmersville—Clarence Harrell .....		225	6.75
Tulare—Charles Hoffman .....		230	13.80
Alpaugh—W. R. Mead .....		260	7.80
Poplar—S. J. Tasker .....		240	7.20
Pixley—Cyril Kinsella and Wife .....		246	14.76
Dinuba—W. J. Liebau .....		190	5.70
Ventura County			
Ojai Valley—Elgwyn A. Taylor and Wife		398	23.88
La Avenida—Lula Payton .....		412	12.36
Yolo County			
Western Yolo—John McCants .....		50	3.00
Yuba County			
Brownsville—L. W. Higgins and Wife ....		95	5.70
			<hr/> \$2,100.42

## NEW GRANGES

Grange	Name	Mileage and per diem
Calaveras—Neal Christenson and Wife ....		16.50
Marshall—O. P. Demuth .....		7.95
Perris Valley—John A. Hanson and Wife		40.80
		<hr/> \$65.25

## POMONA GRANGES

Grange	Name	Miles	Amount
Butte—E. L. Holmes .....		75	2.25
Del Norte—Mary E. Glover .....		407	12.21
Fresno—Myrtle M. Davis .....		175	5.25
Colusa—Helen Dopkins .....		50	1.50
Eldorado-Amador—J. H. Sanders and Wife		38	2.28
Glenn—H. L. Click and Wife .....		110	6.60

Grange	Name	Miles	Amount
Humboldt—Louis H. Valentine and Wife		306	18.36
Kern—Mrs. W. L. Smith		313	9.39
Kings—Clara E. Johnson		200	6.00
Lassen—Fred Nuckolls and Wife		225	13.50
Los Angeles—G. W. Bogle and Wife		460	27.60
Merced—A. T. Whitley and Wife		125	7.50
Mendocino—Clara V. Cook		160	4.80
Modoc—Willis C. Joiner		285	8.55
Napa Lake—Allen Lindebeck and Wife		71	4.26
Orange—Linda Wardlow		460	13.80
Riverside—R. D. Patterson and Wife		500	30.00
Santa Clara—A. C. Christopher and Wife		140	8.40
Stanislaus—Jack W. Sinclear and Wife		95	5.70
Solano—George S. Kirbyson		50	1.50
San Bernardino—T. H. Barnhold and Wife		453	27.15
Santa Cruz—Frank C. Nickerson		145	4.35
Shasta-Trinity—Arden Reynolds and Wife		240	14.40
Santa Barbara—Fred C. Long and Wife		400	24.00
San Luis Obispo—Don Bridge and Wife		280	16.80
Siskiyou—Ralph R. Leavers and Wife		288	17.28
San Diego—Harry S. Carroll and Wife		592	35.52
Mojave Valley—Wm. G. Tyler and Wife		505	30.30
Sonoma—Wellington Hiatt and Wife		142	8.52
Tulare—H. T. Lively		240	7.20
Yolo—Willard F. Smith		45	1.35
Tehama—Mrs. Chas. Conway		102	3.06
San Joaquin—Ed Milldrum		75	4.50
Placer Nuggett—Wm. C. Wakefield		36	1.08

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 \$384.96

## LECTURERS

Grange	Name	Miles	Amount
Garcia—Edith Mitchell		200	6.00
Escalon—Charles E. Adams		72	2.16
West Side—Addie R. Stroing		147	4.41
Dows Prairie—Lilybell R. Turner		320	9.60
Fowler—Mrs. M. V. Cederquist		180	5.40
Quartz Hill—Minnie Sullivan		400	12.00
Anaheim—Kathleen J. Austin		457	13.71
Mojave Valley—Mable R. Dewitt		503	15.09
Orland—Hazel Baugher		100	3.00



Grange	Name	Miles	Amount
Joshua Tree—Martha Douthit .....		400	12.00
Ranchito—Audrey Van Hoehne .....		463	13.89
Potter Valley—Roberta A. Harvey .....		160	4.80
Dos Palos—Elsie Graham .....		150	4.50
Parkfield—Sylvia M. Harlan .....		284	8.52
Sonoma Valley—Edith Pfalzgraf .....		82	2.46
Golden State—Alice Young .....		98	2.94
Merced Colony—Helen L. Fogal .....		126	3.78
Corralitos—Lillian Watkins .....		170	5.10
Santa Cruz—Live Oak—Myrtle Gingerich .....		150	4.50
Roach—Elizabeth Rosgen .....		170	5.10
Atascadero—Mrs. Sirell C. Perrine .....		300	9.00
Triangle—Maude L. Haskings .....		352	10.56
San Luis Obispo—Mrs. Nevah Beecham .....		340	10.20
Fonbloom—Ruth A. Quinn .....		453	16.59
Lucerne Valley—Ed K. Smith .....		540	16.20
Del Rosa—Don Ebersole .....		543	16.29
Cherry Valley—Frassie A. Warren .....		460	13.80
Rubidoux—Mary Ann Schroeder .....		460	13.80
			<hr/> \$245.40

## DEPUTIES

Name	County	Mileage and per diem
Ruth Dye—Santa Cruz .....		15.07
P. F. Hillwig—San Bernardino .....		35.84
Dovie Freeman—San Luis Obispo .....		24.80
F. R. Davis—San Bernardino .....		37.40
O. M. Davis—Fresno .....		13.10
Carl Ryser—Santa Clara .....		15.50
Robert Wardlow—Orange .....		35.60
Chas. W. Glover—Del Norte .....		32.42
August Brucker—Napa Lake .....		19.64
V. L. Johnson—Kings .....		20.00
A. C. Smith—Sonoma .....		11.30
J. E. Gange—Tulare .....		23.00
Herbert J. Brown—Monterey .....		20.30
Vincent Granucci—Solano .....		10.10
Leo H. Park—Shasta-Trinity .....		18.98
Owen E. Hollister—Santa Barbara .....		32.00
Merle Mensinger—San Joaquin .....		12.20
Wayne O. Ralston—Siskiyou .....		24.20

Name	County	Mileage and per diem
L. C. Lattin—Butte .....		13.10
Marshall Dopkins—Colusa .....		11.00
James B. Frost—Ventura .....		31.88
Cecil M. Turner—Humboldt .....		27.20
H. A. Dickey—Mendocino .....		17.60
John A. Gamble—Merced .....		15.20
John I. Berg—Placer .....		10.52
J. W. Wilson—Sutter .....		11.30
Lydia N. Joiner—Modoc .....		25.10
M. T. Hunt—Sacramento .....		10.40
		<hr/> \$574.75

## POMONA HOME ECONOMIC CHAIRMEN

County	Name	Miles	Amount
Santa Clara—Ruth Lew .....		130	3.90
Placer—Annie C. Hansen .....		35	1.05
Modoc—Minnie Potter .....		285	8.55
Monterey—Bessie McCoy .....		200	6.00
Tehama—Nadine Davis .....		125	3.75
Butte—Alice N. Gobin .....		110	3.30
Glenn—Edith Piper .....		100	3.00
Humboldt—Marguerite L. Vickrey .....		314	9.42
Fresno—Edith Bartholomew .....		190	5.70
San Bernardino—Frances B. McAllister .....		505	15.15
Orange—Della M. Walker .....		463	13.89
San Bernardino—Mrs. Edvige Smith .....		490	14.70
			<hr/> \$ 88.41

## STATE SUPERINTENDENT OF JUVENILES

Cordie M. Hannah .....	15.95
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## STATE HOME ECONOMIC CHAIRMAN

Mabel Glenn .....	None
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## DISTRICT HOME ECONOMICS CHAIRMEN

Mayme Hill .....	36.35
Emma A. Michalk .....	21.57
Margaret Stewart .....	13.87
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\$ 71.79	



## JUVENILE MATRONS

Daisy Noell—Tulare .....	225	6.75
Eva Wilkins—Kern .....	300	9.00
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		\$ 15.75

## STATE OFFICERS

Office	Name	Mileage and Hotel
Overseer—	Ed Koster State Deputy .....	None
Lecturer—	Hilda L. Atkins .....	23.48
Steward—	Ed Hill .....	36.35
Assistant Steward—	W. G. LaCaille .....	47.10
Chaplain—	Leta Littler .....	35.25
Treasurer—	M. T. Hunt .....	None
Secretary—	Celia M. Harding .....	45.00
Gate Keeper—	A. J. Crandall .....	32.82
Ceres—	Estelle Mensinger .....	19.20
Pomona—	May Schmidt .....	18.98
Flora—	Vera I. Blakeley .....	45.57
Lady Assistant Steward—	Margaret Robin- son .....	None
Pianist—	Claudine Holmes .....	19.50

## RECAPITULATION

Subordinate Granges .....	2,100.42
New Subordinate Granges .....	65.25
Pomona Granges .....	384.96
Lecturers .....	245.40
Deputies .....	574.75
State Officers .....	332.25
State Home Economics Chairmen .....	71.79
Superintendent of Juveniles .....	15.95
Pomona Home Economics Chairmen .....	88.41
Juvenile Matrons .....	15.75
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	\$3,894.93

Respectfully submitted,

HARRY BARNES

CARL RYSER

RUDOLPH F. RAMELLI

The report was accepted and the Committee dismissed with thanks.

Harry Carroll reported for the Resolutions Committee and presented the following Committee resolution:

#### RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

WHEREAS, the 72nd Annual Session of the California State Grange, October 17th to 20th, 1944, convening in the beautiful city of Sacramento at a time when our nation's titanic struggle with the Axis powers, is veering more and more towards the horizon of victory, and

WHEREAS, our civilian population, is bending every effort to see that our boys at the front are backed to the limit of the nation's time and resources in every war effort and

WHEREAS, the members of our granges throughout the state have distinguished themselves, recently through the Fifth War Loan, and all previous war bond, war chest, Red Cross, relief and other drives, and as growers of food and fiber, food conservation and every other war service, to culminate now in giving of their time, and energy to attend this session of the California State Grange and

WHEREAS, the Pomona and Subordinate Granges of Sacramento County have again gracefully accepted the great responsibility of preparing for this, one of our most historical and successful conventions, not because they desired to have the convention come here, but rather to comply with the wishes of the California State Grange, to use Sacramento's splendid facilities, hotels, restaurants and hall accommodations and

WHEREAS, this fair city of Sacramento, through its City officers, and citizens, hotels and restaurant keepers, has proven a hostess City par-excellence, sharing the already crowded accommodations with our many, many delegates.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the California State Grange express its deep appreciation and thanks to all those following, who have so unselfishly given of their time and efforts to help make this 72nd session such an outstanding success:

Pomona Master Hayenga, and the Pomona members of the Sacramento County Pomona Grange,

The Masters and members of the six Subordinate Granges in Sacramento County,



The Chamber of Commerce of the City of Sacramento,  
The Convention Bureau and its Manager, Roy Clair,  
The Press and Radio of the City of Sacramento and  
vicinities,

National executive committee chairman Ray Gill,  
Brother Joseph Holmes, Past Master California State  
Grange and Sister Holmes,

Brother Morton Tompkins, Master Oregon State  
Grange and Sister Tompkins,

Senator Hugh Donnelly of Stanislaus County.

Wilbur Haines President of the Sacramento Chamber  
of Commerce,

Chas. Deterding County Executive of Sacramento  
County,

The Convention ensemble and its manager Roy Clair,  
The many who took part in the Juvenile Programs,  
The many speakers who were not members of the  
Grange,

Howard Chappell, Department of Education.

The Pacific Coast Aberdeen Angus Association,  
Sister Mabel Glenn and the Home Economic Commit-  
tee,

Sister Littler and all those who participated in the  
Memorial Services,

The Hotels and Restaurants of the City of Sacramento,  
Mr. Dewey Baker, Superintendent of the Memorial  
Auditorium and his able staff,

The operators of the sound system,

The Santa Clara Pomona Degree and Drill Teams and  
the chairman and members of the various Committees, and  
any others who may not have been expressly mentioned.

HARRY CARROLL, Chairman

The resolution was unanimously adopted and the  
committee given hearty applause.

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Moved by Brother Brucker, seconded by Brother  
Holmes that the minutes of the last day's session be ap-  
proved by the State Executive Committee. Motion car-  
ried.

Following the business session, the newly elected State

Lecturer, Sister Hilda Atkins, the State Gate Keeper, Brother A. J. Crandall, and State Executive Committeeman, Brother W. L. Smith, were installed in their respective offices by Sister Rubie Alberti, San Luis Obispo County, assisted by the Steward, Assistant Steward and Lady Assistant Steward.

The Worthy Master in his closing words stated that it had been a pleasant session, and a pleasure to preside, that this State Grange session could take pardonable pride in the fact that through our action here we had spoken for the Grange on some important subjects—that we as a State Grange are serving in a very genuine fashion, the interests of agriculture.

The Patron's Chain was formed, "God Be With You Till We Meet Again" was sung by all, and at 2:30 Saturday morning, October 21st, the Seventy-Second Session of California State Grange was history.

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

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## POMONA REPORTS

### BUTTE COUNTY

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

Having taken office late due to the Master first elected resigning, we started without a program for the year with attendance low. We met once a month by invitation of the subordinates and at least once with each Grange in the County.

I am glad to say that attendance is on the increase with increasing interest being shown.

Our membership shows a slight gain in the Pomona, the subordinates all making good gains in membership, Palermo Grange having won the National award for membership gains in the United States.

The Pomona Degree Team under the direction of Veronica Henderson conferred the 5th degree in the Spring.



I have aided the District Deputy, Charles Lattin, whenever possible and the shortage of gasoline and tires would permit.

The Home Economics Clubs are mostly active in war work, but we will have an exhibit at the State Grange, mostly due to the efforts of Sister Gobin, County Home Economics Chairman.

Our Credit Union under the leadership of Brothers Norval Jessie, President, and Frank Smith, Sec.-Treas., is in good shape and doing a good job for the members.

Fraternally submitted,  
E. L. HOLMES, Master  
Butte Pomona Grange.

#### DEL NORTE COUNTY

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

The Del Norte County Pomona Grange, No. 42, reports a great deal of activity, taking a most active lead in civic affairs and local problems. We have spent a great deal of our time and efforts in the control of a poisonous weed which threatened the livestock of the County.

Under the leadership of the Pomona Grange we are proud to report that Del Norte County went over the top for the first time in the Fifth War Loan drive. With the same untiring efforts we are conducting the War Chest Drive.

Through the efforts of the Pomona Grange, by cooperation and coordination with the Wool Growers Association and the Dairymen's Association we are working out some very serious agricultural problems in the County, thus stimulating a very active interest in the Grange.

Fraternally submitted,  
CHARLES W. GLOVER, Master  
Del Norte Pomona Grange.

#### ORANGE COUNTY

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

We of Orange County hold our Pomona meetings each month on invitation from our subordinate Granges. We always meet early in the evening with a pot luck supper.

Immediately after supper we have our Lecturer Program after which we have our business meeting. Our meetings are always well attended and very interesting with many worthy projects being discussed. This year we have four good resolutions to present to the State Convention.

By the Pomona meeting with the Subordinate Granges we get most of the subordinate members to join the Pomona, thereby building up and having a good county Grange.

I cannot express my appreciation too highly for the good work of our county H. E. C. The ladies hold regular meetings every quarter and are a great help to all branches of our Grange work. They have been very active in their home canning projects, Red Cross work and the Bond Drives, besides doing emergency farm work.

Through the efforts of our Pomona Grange we have organized a very active Credit Union among our Grange members. a large number taking advantage of its benefits. We also have a very satisfactory Death Benefit Society.

We have a Drill Master and through his efforts we have initiated several classes of candidates into the Fifth Degree during the past year, having good drills and doing good ritualistic work.

Fraternally submitted,  
ROBERT WARDLOW, Master  
Orange County Pomona Grange.

#### SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY

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

It gives me pleasure to report that our county has been active in various phases of Grange work.

As usual our Pomona meetings were held in the Atascadero Grange Hall with a good attendance at all meetings. Resolutions of various kinds were discussed and acted upon. Meetings all ended with fine lecturer programs under the supervision of Sister Eva Beecham and refreshments that were up to the usual fine Grange standard.

Our Credit Union is in excellent condition and was instrumental in selling a very large part of the war bonds sold in our area in the Fifth War Loan Drive.



The Fifth Degree was given in a special meeting on October 3rd to a group of nine new members.

Fraternally submitted,

DON BRIDGE, Master

San Luis Obispo Pomona Grange

SANTA CLARA COUNTY

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

The Santa Clara Pomona Grange is drawing to the close of another successful year. I wish to take this means to thank my fellow officers and the members of Pomona for their splendid spirit of cooperation. Also, all Subordinate members, their masters and officers.

At our organization meeting of Pomona Grange and Subordinate officers we had the privilege of being visited by State Master George Sehlmeier and State Home Economics Chairman, Sister Mabel Glenn, at which time a Master's conference was held.

Together with Grangers as a whole, after a visit from State Deputy Edwin Koster, Grange members in the Santa Clara County Pomona Grange area took a very active part in the Fifth War Loan Drive and contributed a large part toward the success of the drive and were highly praised by officials in charge.

We meet bi-monthly by invitation of the Subordinate Granges. We have received new members into Pomona at each meeting, with initiation in full form at our May meeting on a large class of over 30 members. The Degree and Drill teams were tops in their work.

We are on record as favoring abolishment of daylight saving as being detrimental to farming. Also, the easing up of farm machinery and equipment restrictions.

The Home Economics group headed by Sister Ruth Lew has been very active, presenting the Pomona Grange at the September meeting with a Service Flag containing eight stars and a \$25.00 War Bond. Please accept our appreciation.

I wish to commend Brother Carl Ryser, our District Deputy, for his untiring efforts in behalf of the Grange as a whole.

And, I bespeak full support for Sister Cordie Hannah in her diligent work with the Juvenile Granges.

With continued success for the Grange, fraternally submitted,

A. L. CHRISTOPHER, Master  
Santa Clara County Pomona Grange No. 4

#### STANISLAUS COUNTY

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

The Stanislaus Pomona Grange has had a good year considering war-time conditions.

With the exception of two months in fruit picking season, our attendance has been good.

We still meet regularly in Dania Hall in Modesto on the 4th Monday of the month.

Our membership has made a small increase for the year.

The women of the County Home Economics have done a grand job in support of the organization.

Fraternally submitted,  
JACK SINCLEAR, Master  
Stanislaus County Grange.

#### TEHAMA COUNTY

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

Tehama County Pomona Grange has changed their plan of meeting once a month with subordinate Granges on invitation to meeting the first Monday of each month at El Camino Grange Hall.

Due to gas rationing we have small attendance, however, have been very active in Bond Drives.

Los Molinos Grange has a new Juvenile Grange, the only active Juvenile in the county.

Our Credit Union shows a large gain in business. All in all it has been a very successful year.

Fraternally submitted,  
LYNN RAYMOND, Master  
Tehama County Pomona Grange.

#### TULARE COUNTY

To the Officers and Members of the California State Grange:



Because of war-time restrictions and labor problems I have not been able to visit the various Subordinate Granges in the county as often as I otherwise would have, however, have visited all of them during the year.

Our Pomona Grange and all of our Subordinate, Granges, with one exception are in a very thrifty condition and show a substantial gain in membership.

Tulare County Granges took a very active part in the Fifth War Loan Drive and was one of the first in the state to go over the top.

We have met regularly the second Thursday night of each month and at our regular meeting in September the Fifth Degree was conferred upon a class of candidates by the Pomona Officers.

Fraternally submitted,  
H. T. LIVELY, Master  
Tulare Pomona Grange.

#### **AGRICULTURAL COMMITTEE RESOLUTIONS**

##### **RES. NO. 2—AGRICULTURE NO. 2**

Kerman Grange

#### **CONTROL OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS**

WHEREAS, during this war it has become necessary for the Government to control most of the agricultural products, and

WHEREAS, abrupt relinquishment of this control would cause great agricultural distress,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that these controls be relinquished gradually until there can be readjustment of production and distribution of products at peace time levels.

##### **RES. NO. 3—AGRICULTURE NO. 3**

Sonoma County Pomona Grange

#### **SOCIAL SECURITY FOR FARM LABOR**

(As Amended)

WHEREAS, it is the object of the Grange to obtain a better and more secure living standard for farmers and farm workers, and

WHEREAS, Legislation has been passed giving social security benefits to industrial workers,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that California State Grange endorse Legislation to extend Social Security Benefits to Agricultural Workers.

RES. NO. 4—AGRICULTURE NO. 4

Hemet-San Jacinto Grange

GRANGE REPRESENTATION W. F. A.—O. P. A.

MEETINGS

(As Amended)

WHEREAS, it has come to the attention of the California State Grange that upon certain occasions meetings have been called by the O. P. A. and W. F. A. for the purpose of fixing prices of farm commodities.

WHEREAS, labor and conditions which affect the price are different in the several sections of California, and

WHEREAS, prices are sometimes fixed by persons not familiar with all the conditions, of certain Areas, and

WHEREAS, one of the purposes of the Grange is to work for the betterment of its members and farmers at large.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that California State Grange be represented, when requested by a group of growers of any farm Commodity, at any meeting of the O. P. A. or W. F. A. for the purpose of price fixing.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, if California State Office is notified of future meetings, that Granges in the area effected be notified by State Office.

RES. NO. 5—AGRICULTURE NO. 5

Colusa County Pomona Grange

PROTECTING FARM CROPS

(Substitute for Nos. 5 and 10)

WHEREAS, the growers of certain crops in this State are in need of sufficient ammunition of good quality for protection of their crops from depredations of blackbirds, ducks and other wildfowl.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that California State Grange use their influence to make such ammunition available and take immediate action to that effect.



## RES. NO. 6—AGRICULTURE NO. 6

Kings River Grange

## IMPORTATION OF FARM COMMODITIES

WHEREAS, we, as American citizens, are vitally interested in the welfare of our country, now and in the future, and

WHEREAS, we firmly believe that no one of our major industries can be made to suffer financial reverses without the effects of such losses being felt by every other industry of the Nation, and

WHEREAS, we fear that unrestricted and uncontrolled importation of foreign products, after the war, would eventually result in a general economic depression because of some of our home industries being undermined by foreign competitors who would have the advantage of wage standards and general production costs much lower than those prevailing in the United States, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that we, the members of California State Grange ask our representatives in Congress to use every effort to have import duties placed on foreign products, imported into the United States, to prevent their being sold in this country at a price below the American cost of production plus a reasonable profit.

## RES. NO. 7—AGRICULTURE NO. 7

Valley Center Grange

## MANUFACTURE OF GASOLINE

(As Amended)

WHEREAS, gasoline is an important commodity, and

WHEREAS, information has been recently released for publication pertaining to the manufacture of gasoline from sugar cane and other farm products, and

WHEREAS, methods of transferring farm produce into alcohol to blend with gasoline have also been found successful and the blended product resulting in the elimination of monoxide gas, now

BE IT RESOLVED, that the California State Grange do pass this resolution and that our State Master present it to the National Grange Convention at its November session with recommendation that the National Grange's research department investigate the advisability of manufacturing gasoline from sugar cane and other farm pro-

ducts and that the National Grange sponsor the further development of this technique to the end that a greater market be developed for farm products.

RES. NO. 9—AGRICULTURE NO. 9

Modoc Pomona Grange

TRANSFERRING DOMESTIC RABBIT CONTROL TO  
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

(As Amended)

The domestic rabbit is a commercially marketable meat rivaling other live stock, the stigma of its connection with wild rabbits will be removed if taken out of the Department of the Interior, Fish and Wildlife Service and placed in the Department of Agriculture.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the California State Grange support Legislation to that effect.

RES. NO. 12—AGRICULTURE NO. 12

San Diego County Pomona Grange

FAMILY SIZE FARM

(Rewritten to cover Nos. 11 and 12)

WHEREAS, with increasing numbers people leaving the farm, due to insecurity of the future of the small farmer, and

WHEREAS, the home-owning farmer is highly essential to our American way of life, as we have known it, and of maintaining Democracy.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that California State Grange support a more vigorous campaign in behalf of the rights and interests of the "Family Size Farm."

RES. NO. 13—AGRICULTURE NO. 13

Yolo County Pomona Grange

OPPOSING SUBSIDIES

RESOLVED, that California State Grange does not approve the principle or general use of subsidies, and believes that they should only be used where other means of encouraging production without causing inflation are not workable.



## RES. NO. 14—AGRICULTURE NO. 14

Humboldt Pomona Grange

## STATE PREDATORY ANIMAL APPROPRIATION

WHEREAS, the predatory animal situation in the State of California is in a serious condition, although the Fish and Wild Life Service and the Fish and Game hunters have done excellent work, and

WHEREAS, only about forty of the State's fifty-eight Counties are being worked for predatory animals, leaving much of the area in the other Counties as a breeding ground for predators—Coyotes and Bob Cats which scatter to the adjoining territory, and

WHEREAS, the appropriations of about \$20,000 from the State, \$20,000 to \$25,000 from the Federal Government and \$50,000 to \$60,000 from the Counties are inadequate to properly cope with the predatory animals in the entire State, and

WHEREAS, proper predatory animal control is the very life of the Livestock Industry in many sections of the State.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the California State Grange urge our Senators and Assemblymen to support a budget for the State Department of Agriculture which will include a yearly appropriation of \$150,000 for predatory animal control.

## RES. NO. 15—AGRICULTURE NO. 15

Kerman Grange

## OPPOSING SHIPMENT OF FARM MACHINERY

(As Amended)

WHEREAS, all of the machinery or repairs that can be manufactured will not supply the Farmers of the United States in its present condition for our own use to supply food and fibre that is necessary to win the War and assist in writing the Peace.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the California State Grange hereby demand that no agency of the United States Government, any bureau or committee appointed by the Government, or President make any arrangements to ship any machinery and repairs that are needed by the American Farmers, to any foreign Country until provision is made for farmers of the United States to be amply supplied.

RES. NO. 17—SUPPLEMENTARY AGRICULTURE  
NO. 17  
Nuevo-Lakeview Grange  
PUBLICITY ON FARM PROBLEMS AND CONSUMER  
PRICES  
(As Amended)

WHEREAS, it has been called to our attention that high margins are taken for service, for selling farm products, and for hauling same to markets, causing high prices to consumers and creating misunderstanding by the general public.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the California State Grange take action, by radio and press, to create better understanding of farm problems and consumer prices on farm products in the minds of the general public.

RES. NO. 1—AGRICULTURE COMMITTEE NO. 1  
CALIFORNIA STATE GRANGE LIVESTOCK  
FOUNDATION

WHEREAS, at the California State Grange Convention held at Santa Barbara, 1941, there was authorized the formation of the California State Grange Livestock Foundation, Resolution No. 66, G. of O. No. 15;

Also reaffirmed at Fresno Convention 1942; the purpose of said Foundation being to provide on a share basis, pure blooded livestock to the small diversified farmer, all Grange members, the 4-H Clubs, the Future Farmers Association, who have the facilities for raising said livestock but who are financially unable to purchase same and who desire to benefit thereby without cost to themselves; and

WHEREAS, because of war conditions the financing and planning of said Foundation has been held in abeyance,

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved that the California State Grange now in session at Sacramento 1944 authorize the formation of said Foundation by California State Grange Executive Committee, said Foundation to have authority to raise the necessary funds.

RES. NO. 2—AGRICULTURE NO. 2  
LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTERING

WHEREAS, at the time present slaughtering rules



and regulations were put into effect in California there were 1620 slaughter houses and of that number only 120 qualified. The balance of these buildings are all standing and equipped, and except for these regulations nearly all these could be used,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that California State Grange encourage relaxation of rules and regulations governing custom slaughtering, enabling small slaughter houses to operate in rural communities and granting such slaughter houses the regular State Inspection.

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### BANKING AND FINANCE RESOLUTIONS

#### RES. NO. 1—BF NO. 1

WHEREAS, under present Credit Money System based on a debt and loaned into circulation, the United States Government and all its people are getting deeper and deeper in debt to the Banks, year after year and generation after generation,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Grangers of California in Convention assembled at Sacramento, October 17, 1944, that the United States Government be requested to issue its own money, thus saving billions of dollars of interest paid to the Banks and permitting the Government to earn itself out of this mountain of debt,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that our delegates to the National Grange Convention use their best efforts to have the issuing of money advanced to the head of our National Legislative program, thereby reiterating the stand of the California State Grange in regard to Government Banks.

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### CONSERVATION RESOLUTIONS

#### RES. NO. 17—CONSERVATION NO. 1

San Joaquin County Pomona Grange  
PLANS FOR CENTRAL VALLEY ADMINISTRATION

WHEREAS, various problems have arisen concerning distribution of power and water of Central Valleys Pro-

ject, and these problems should be solved in the near future.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the State Master of California State Grange, as one of the first order of business appoint a committee to submit a plan for action to be taken at this State Convention.

RES. NO. 19—CONSERVATION NO. 3  
Fowler Grange

FEDERAL POWER COMMISSION REQUESTED TO  
INVESTIGATE POWER POLITICS IN CALIFORNIA  
(As Amended)

WHEREAS, there has been no information in recent years given to the press relative to money being spent by the power trust in California to defeat the people's interest in the ownership and distribution of electric power in the Central Valley Project, and

WHEREAS, the California State Rail Road Commission has not made this information available to the public,

WHEREAS, in the State of Washington upon an investigation by the Federal Power Commission in 1940 it was discovered that five companies admitted expenditures of \$1,037,516.51 for political activities to defeat the provisions of the Bonneville Act, and to prevent public agencies from distributing the power from Bonneville and Grand Coulee over their own lines,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the California State Grange session in Sacramento of 1944 go on record as asking an immediate investigation by the Federal Power Commission into the political activity and campaign expenditures of the power trust to defeat public ownership and distribution of electric power in the Central Valley Project from Shasta Dam and other proposed irrigation and reclamation projects in the State of California and be made available to the public.

RES. NO. 21—CONSERVATION NO. 5  
Riverside County Pomona Grange

160 ACRE LIMITATION LAW

WHEREAS, there is at present a movement organized to increase the limitation of 160 acres of farm land to be



irrigated by water from the Central Valley Water Project and

WHEREAS, any increase in this allotment will make possible speculation in large tracts of agricultural lands, and

WHEREAS, we feel that 160 acres of irrigated land is sufficient to maintain the average farm family, be it

RESOLVED, that we are opposed to any increase in the 160 acre limitation placed on the size of the farm on which water from the Central Valley Water Project can be used.

RES. NO. 23—CONSERVATION NO. 7

Gratton Grange

PRESERVING CALAVERAS BIG TREES

WHEREAS, the South Calaveras Big Trees are in imminent danger of being logged by a private company, therefore be it resolved that the State Grange memorialize the proper authorities that these noble and valuable trees be saved.

RES. NO. 24—CONSERVATION NO. 8

Gratton Grange

CONCERNING THE PEOPLE'S WATER AND POWER

WHEREAS, land and power monopolists are increasing their efforts to rob the people of the benefits of the Central Valley Project.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that we, the members of Gratton Grange No. 528, do hereby urge the California State Grange to redouble its efforts to preserve the water and power of this great Government owned project, for the benefit of the people for which it was intended.

RES. NO. 25—CONSERVATION NO. 9

San Diego County Pomona Grange

MEXICAN COLORADO RIVER WATER TREATY

WHEREAS, the U. S. and Mexican Colorado River Water Treaty is soon to come up for Ratification by the U. S. Senate, and

WHEREAS, if said Treaty is ratified as it is now written, it will greatly curtail the much needed water for Southern California, Arizona and Nevada,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the California State Grange go on record protesting the treaty as it is now written giving Mexico 1,500,000 acre feet of water.

RES. NO. 28—CONSERVATION NO. 12

Fresno County Pomona Grange

PUBLIC POWER RATES

WHEREAS, the Congress of the United States has under consideration legislation to limit the minimum price to consumers of publicly owned power, to correspond to the price charged by private utilities; and

WHEREAS, this would nullify all the benefits which are derived from public distribution and sale of power, and be a waste of tax payers money; and

WHEREAS, this is contrary to public opinion, and a selfish scheme to protect private utilities; therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that the California State Grange oppose the establishment of any such minimum price on sale of public power.

RES. NO. 29—CONSERVATION NO. 13

Fresno County Pomona Grange

CENTRAL VALLEY PROJECT

WHEREAS, the California State Grange has urged in the past the early completion of the Central Valley Project, and the distribution of power to the people through the project's own transmission lines; and

WHEREAS, the proposed Kings River Project should be built by the Bureau of Reclamation to link with the Central Valley project, thus supplying the Sacramento and San Joaquin Valleys with a plentiful supply of cheap power and irrigation water; therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that the California State Grange reiterates its stand, and urges our Representatives in Congress to pass laws and appropriate money to complete this project at the earliest possible date.

RES. NO. 30—CONSERVATION NO. 14

Fresno County Pomona Grange

PINE FLAT PROJECT

(As Amended)

WHEREAS, the proposed Pine Flat Dam on the Kings



River is primarily an irrigation and power development project; and

WHEREAS, certain selfish interests are advocating the construction of this dam as a flood control project, without the benefits of cheap power; and

WHEREAS, the revenue from such 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.

RES. NO. 31—CONSERVATION NO. 15

Modoc County Pomona Grange

OPPOSING GOVERNMENT WASTE OF WAR  
MATERIALS  
(As Amended)

WHEREAS, it has been brought to the attention of the people of the State many times that there is terrific waste by government contractors, and

WHEREAS, we are doing all we can to assist in the war effort,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the California State Grange do all in its power to remedy this useless waste.

RES. NO. 33—CONSERVATION NO. 17

Pleasant Valley Grange

OPPOSING GOLD DREDGING  
(As Amended)

WHEREAS, gold dredging has destroyed many of California's finest valleys. Lovely and productive orchards and fields have been turned into piles of rocks, valuable property has been lost to the tax rolls thereby, and the remaining taxpayers have been compelled to make up the loss.

WHEREAS, schools have been closed and large areas simply returned to the desert by reason of these operations,

WHEREAS, for a low cost per cubic yard, the land

could be leveled and the top soil replaced as the dredging proceeds. Many contracts now contain this provision, and if the operation will not pay for that slight cost in the interest of California's future—to save our green valleys, then the gold recovery does not justify the destruction.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that we urge the enactment of a law requiring the leveling and replacement of the top soil following all gold dredging operations.

RES. NO. 34—CONSERVATION NO. 18

Butte County Pomona Grange

OPPOSING AMENDMENT PROHIBITING SALE OF  
POWER IN COMPETITION WITH PRIVATE UTILITIES

WHEREAS, there is an amendment before Congress that no electricity from the Central Valley Project be sold in competition to the P. G. and E.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the California State Grange go on record opposing such an amendment and as recommending that municipalities and political subdivisions be allowed to purchase electrical power from Central Valley Project and that the P. G. and E. be allowed to purchase only surplus power under short contract.

RES. NO. 35—CONSERVATION NO. 19

Fresno County Pomona Grange

CENTRAL VALLEYS PROJECT

(Rewritten)

WHEREAS, the natural resources of the United States that are developed by taxes, paid by the people of the United States under any Government Agency are as much the property of the United States as the land purchased by Louisiana Purchase or acquired in any other manner, we believe the benefits therefrom whether it be power or water or any other commodity should be delivered directly to the people,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the California State Grange continually work for the development of these natural resources by the Government, building dams, transmission lines, canals or any other development that is necessary to deliver them to the people.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that any project that is too large or impossible of development by local sub-



divisions or states be developed by the United States Government so that all of the potential resources may be used by the people for the benefit of society.

#### UNNUMBERED CONSERVATION RESOLUTION

Anderson Grange

#### WATER STORAGE ON TRIBUTARIES OF SACRAMENTO RIVER

(As Amended)

WHEREAS, a great portion of the waters of the upper Sacramento Valley are uncontrolled and unconserved, and, therefore, wasted and lost to the people of the Sacramento Valley and the State of California, and

WHEREAS, the proper conservation of water for the most beneficial use thereof requires the storage of said water at its source and at the higher elevations on the stream system where said water can be beneficially used by the most people for agricultural, industrial, domestic and recreational purposes, and

WHEREAS, there are many tributaries to the upper Sacramento River below the Shasta Dam which have a sufficient water supply and feasible storage sites at the proper elevations for the economic conservation and use of the remaining water supply of the upper Sacramento Valley.

IT IS RESOLVED, by the California State Grange that any plans for the future development and conservation of the waters of the upper Sacramento Valley shall provide for the storage of said waters on the tributaries to the Sacramento River at the proper elevations to provide for the beneficial use of said waters for the people of the upper Sacramento Valley.

#### UNNUMBERED CONSERVATION RESOLUTION RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, there is now pending before the U. S. Senate H. R. 3961, the Rivers and Harbors bill, and

WHEREAS, provisions in this measure will prevent development of public power projects under the Bureau of Reclamation, and

WHEREAS, the development of publicly owned power projects and distribution of such power are of the greatest importance to rural areas embraced in such projects,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Masters of the Washington, Oregon, California, Idaho and Montana State Granges that we vigorously oppose H. R. 3961 in its present form and urge the U. S. Senate to amend the bill by removing the sections relating to the development and distribution of public power and further, if the bill is not amended, we most respectfully request the president of the U. S. to veto the bill.

#### UNNUMBERED CONSERVATION RESOLUTION RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, there is now pending before the United States Senate H. R. 4485, commonly termed the Army Engineers flood control bill, and

WHEREAS, this bill, if enacted into law as now written, would serve to prevent development of public power distribution from projects constructed thereunder, and

WHEREAS, we believe that all Federal irrigation and power dams should be constructed by the Bureau of Reclamation or by an appropriate independent regional authority created for that purpose, and

WHEREAS, this bill now provides for a number of projects for both power development and irrigation, to be constructed by the Army Engineers,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Masters of the Washington, Oregon, California, Idaho and Montana State Granges, in joint conference in Portland, Oregon this 19th day of August, 1944, that we request the United States Senate to amend this bill by removing all projects which affect power and irrigation development from the bill.

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#### COOPERATION RESOLUTIONS

RES. NO. 36—COOPERATION NO. 1

Fowler Grange

#### APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP IN WESTERN GRANGES

(As Amended)

WHEREAS, it was announced by the State Grange of



Washington that the new Western Grange Cooperatives, Inc., comprising the States of Washington, Oregon and Montana are now ready to take orders and buy surplus war materials for all grange cooperatives desiring them, and

WHEREAS, farmers in desperate need of farm machinery, tools, building materials, appliances and a long list of other articles the farmers need and which the government has for sale, can be secured only through the cooperative medium at a greater saving to the member, otherwise these supplies will have to be purchased on the open market through business agencies at advanced prices and at increased costs,

BE IT RESOLVED, we believe it would greatly benefit the California State Grange to make application for membership in the Western Grangers Cooperative because of the increased buying power it would afford with subsequent savings to its members, and recommend that the Executive Committee be instructed to make a complete investigation of said Corporation, and if found feasible, make application for membership.

RES. NO. 37—COOPERATION NO. 2

Fowler Grange

FARM COOPERATIVES MUST BE PROTECTED

(As Amended)

BE IT RESOLVED, that the California State Grange go on record as vigorously opposing any movement which would injure the Cooperative enterprise in America or would interfere with Government agencies in making loans to farmers, and that we so instruct our representatives in Washington to this effect.

RES. NO. 39—COOPERATION NO. 4

Gratton Grange

COOPERATIVE OPERATION OF WAR PLANTS

(As Rewritten)

WHEREAS, there are many Government owned, fully equipped war plants that may be converted to a peace time use, that ex-service men cooperatively and other cooperative organizations can operate to a common advantage, wherefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the California State Grange use its influence to have amended the Colmer bill in such fashion to facilitate the acquirement of these plants by first cooperative organizations of service men, all grades, second by any cooperative organization capable of organization.

#### UNNUMBERED RESOLUTION

##### WAR MATERIALS

Merced Colony Grange  
(As Amended)

WHEREAS, the Government holds large quantities of war materials which will soon be released to the public, and

WHEREAS, no plan has yet been completed for the handling of this material between the government agency and the ultimate consumer, and

WHEREAS, we are committed to a program of eliminating as many agencies as possible,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the California State Grange favor any plan of the governmental agency handling this material in dealing directly with any responsible cooperative organization thereby eliminating the necessity of any State agency.

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#### CREDIT UNION RESOLUTIONS

##### CREDIT UNION COMMITTEE RES. NO. 1

##### CREDIT UNION SUPERVISION

WHEREAS, the supervision of Federal Credit Unions was removed in April, 1942, from the Farm Credit Administration and delegated by the President's Executive Order to the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation; and,

WHEREAS, it has come to the attention of the Credit Union Committee of the California State Grange that a number of Grange Credit Unions are dissatisfied with the administration of that supervision in California,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the California State Grange cooperate with the Credit Union National Association toward the reversion of this supervision to the Farm Credit Administration, as previously existed, or the establishment of a special and separate



agency directly for the supervision of Federal Credit Unions.

**CREDIT UNION COMMITTEE RES. NO. 2  
FORMING CREDIT UNIONS**

WHEREAS, Credit Unions have proved their economic and social benefits to members of many Granges throughout the United States; and

WHEREAS, Credit Unions will serve a strategic and invaluable role in post-war reconstruction and stabilization; and

WHEREAS, Credit Unions because of their democratic and cooperative principles admirably co-ordinate with all other activities of and materially assist in promulgation of Grange objectives and services to its members,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the California State Grange in Annual Convention assembled does hereby reiterate its recommendation that Credit Unions be formed in all large subordinate or at least in every Pomona Grange within our jurisdiction.

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**EDUCATION RESOLUTIONS**

**RES. NO. 40—EDUCATION NO. 1  
OPPOSING COMPULSORY MILITARY TRAINING  
(As Rewritten)**

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the California State Grange go on record as being opposed to compulsory Military training during peace time.

**RES. NO. 41—EDUCATION NO. 2  
Fowler Grange**

**NATIONAL LIQUOR TRAFFIC  
(As Rewritten)**

WHEREAS, the liquor evil of our country is public enemy No. 1, no nation can long remain strong and virile when large numbers of its citizens are addicted to strong drink,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the California State Grange support any State or National Legislation that will correct this condition.

RES. NO. 45—EDUCATION NO. 6  
Gratton Grange

REGARDING HOT SCHOOL LUNCH

WHEREAS, suggestions are being made to discontinue the hot school lunches which are contributing so much to the wellbeing of our school children,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that we the California State Grange do all possible to retain and extend the hot school lunches.

RES. NO. 46—EDUCATION NO. 7  
GASOLINE FOR TRANSPORTATION FOR SCHOOL  
ATHLETIC TEAMS  
(Substitute Resolution)

WHEREAS, we recognize the handicap placed upon the high schools by the Office of Defense Transportation, in their refusal to allot gasoline and tires to schools that use their busses for transportation to and from neighboring communities for interscholastic sports, and

WHEREAS, it is an established fact that the major sports of football, basketball and baseball are the best training for both Civilian and Military careers, and

WHEREAS, the high school athletes of the ages of sixteen, seventeen and eighteen are looking forward to induction into the Armed Forces at the finish of high school and many before they complete the four years, we believe the O. D. T. is unfair and breaking down the morale of these students;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the California State Grange do everything in its power to correct this situation.

NO. 4 ON THE NOVEMBER BALLOT

WHEREAS, the properties of Charity organizations are taxed in the State of California and it is the only State in the Union where these organizations are taxed,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the California State Grange support an Assembly Constitution Amendment No. 17 known as Proposition No. 4 on the Ballot, which authorizes the Legislature to exempt from property taxes property used for religious, hospital, or charitable purposes and owned by agencies organized for such pur-



pose which are not conducted for profit and no part of the earnings of which inure to the benefit of any individual.

#### NO. 9 ON THE NOVEMBER BALLOT

WHEREAS, the shortage of teachers is due primarily to the inability of the poorer school districts to pay adequate wages for teachers, and

WHEREAS, the proposition No. 9 on the November ballot which amends the Constitution section No. 15 of Article No. 13 so that the State's share of the school support would be raised from \$60 per child per year to \$80 it would transfer a greater portion of school cost from local taxpayers to the State it would permit tax-poor districts now threatened with closed schools due to the lack of teachers to pay adequate salaries and thereby supplement their teaching personnel.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the California State Grange support Proposition No. 9 on the November Ballot.

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#### GOOD OF THE ORDER RESOLUTIONS

##### UNNUMBERED RESOLUTION

Re: G. B. O. Conference—W. F. Smith

RESOLVED, that we request the members of the Grangers Business Organization to hold an annual conference at the State Grange Convention, which all members may attend.

##### UNNUMBERED RESOLUTION

##### REGARDING SUBSCRIPTION ARRANGEMENT FOR GRANGE NEWS

The subscription fee for the California Grange News has not proved satisfactory, therefore the following resolution is suggested,

RESOLVED, that there be printed on each dues receipt given a Subordinate Grange member for payment of dues, that a designated part of such dues are in payment for a subscription to the California Grange News.

## UNNUMBERED RESOLUTION

## FUNDS STATE GRANGE BUILDING

RESOLVED, that the Executive Committee of the California State Grange be authorized to transfer \$5,000 or such part thereof as in their discretion they deem advisable to the fund for a proposed State Grange Building.

RES. NO. 47—G. OF O. NO. 1  
Fowler Grange

POST WAR PLANNING  
(Referred to Executive Committee)

WHEREAS, it is of the utmost importance that the membership of the grange be prepared to take an active part in post war planning which is not only essential to the grange but that the State and Nation as well,

RESOLVED, we ask that the State Master, Geo. Sehl-meyer, appoint a post-war planning committee to make investigations and surveys and to report such findings to the State Master and Executive Committee when called upon,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the following sugges-tions are offered covering a 20 point program for the consideration of the delegate body or the committee if appointed.

(1) That the Grange members buy all bonds possible to help win the war, also it will give the farmer a reserve fund for repairs and replacements at its close.

(2) Rehabilitation of service men, (College or vocation-al training), long term loans to start business or buy farms.

(3) Abolition of unnecessary bureaus and alphabetical groups.

(4) Expand Cooperatives for farmers.

(5) Expand Chemurgy plants to take care of surpluses.

(6) Elimination of surplus middlemen. (reduces cost to consumer)

(7) American markets for American farmers.

(8) Continued improvement of farm to market roads.

(9) Support of Grange Radio Program, better public information.

(10) Improve system of distribution.



(11) Request that the extension service in California be divorced from any organization, and be truly a service to all farmers.

(12) Encourage and develop family sized farms, and oppose trend to large size or corporation farms.

(13) Insist that the natural resources of our Nation be preserved for the people and not private selfish interests.

(14) Support the Grange credit union, by word and deed and action.

(15) Recommend continued support to National Grange Money Reform Program.

(16) Recommend that a Grange Stock Marketing Association be formed.

(17) Insist that all reclamation projects where water and power are available, be built by the Bureau of Reclamation Engineers.

(18) We endorse Secretary Hull's statement concerning the "basis of world organization" in that such organization must be made on a firm and lasting basis, and must provide for the maintenance of adequate forces to preserve peace, and an international court or other institutions to keep law and order among nations.

(19) That the membership of the Grange in California use its best efforts in securing adequate quarters to house the various enterprises of the California State Grange, now is the time to start.

(20) That the Grange in every locality in California remember the service men after the war has been won, and as they return again to their homes, many of them maimed, shell shocked, suffering from the ravages of war, disillusioned, discouraged, misfits in society, we must help rehabilitate them, we must contribute generously to their happiness and contentment. Let us not forget them as in world war No. 1, when many of them were forced to sell apples and shoe strings on the street corners to earn their daily bread, it must not happen again. Jobs must be provided, homes must be made available, Legislation must be enacted to provide funds to assist service men and women to enter into business, purchase farms or continue their education. This is our job, it is small in comparison what they have sacrificed for us.

## RES. NO. 50—G. OF O. NO. 4

Clovis Grange

## GRANGE ROSTERS FOR PUBLIC AGENCIES

(As Amended)

WHEREAS, the Grange has been taking an increasingly important place in the public affairs of the state and is now generally recognized as having great influence in all matters affecting the rural population.

WHEREAS, persons wishing to contact Grange officers often have difficulty in locating them.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the California State Grange that a copy of Grange Roster be furnished public agencies as the State Master may direct.

## RES. NO. 51—G. OF O. NO. 5

San Fernando Valley Pomona Grange

## PROCLAIMING GRANGE SUNDAY

(As Amended)

WHEREAS, the National Grange Convention held in the autumn of each year includes one Sunday; and

WHEREAS, the members of the said Convention deem it expedient to attend divine service in some church as a body; and

WHEREAS, such action has given individual strength and a moral uplift to the entire Grange organization.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Master of the National Grange shall proclaim the said Convention Sunday to be "National Grange Sunday."

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION  
OF THE NATIONAL GRANGE

Dues to the National Grange

RESOLVED THAT, Article VII, Section 4 of the Constitution be amended to read, "The annual dues of sixteen cents for each member in the State except Golden Sheaf Members."

This amended reading would immediately follow the second comma in said section.

If adopted the first sentence of Article VII, Section 4 of the National Grange Constitution would read:

"The Treasurer of each State Grange shall pay to the Secretary of the National Grange, in quarterly in-



stallments, the annual dues of sixteen cents for each member in the State except Golden Sheaf Members."

The effect of this amendment would be to increase the quarterly dues to the National Grange from three cents to four cents per member each quarter and relieve payment of dues upon Golden Sheaf Members."

**PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION OF  
THE NATIONAL GRANGE**

(Juvenile Dues)

"RESOLVED, that Article VIII, Section 2 of the Constitution be amended by adding the following paragraph:

"All Juvenile Granges shall be required to make quarterly reports to the State Secretary and to pay minimum of two cents per member per quarter to the State Grange."

Section 3 of Article VIII of the Constitution be amended by adding the following paragraph:

"The Secretary of the State Grange shall also report quarterly to the Secretary of the National Grange, the dues-paying Juvenile Grange membership in the state."

Article VIII, Section 4 of the Constitution be amended by adding the following paragraph

"The Treasurer of each State Grange shall pay to the Secretary of the National Grange in the same manner that Subordinate Grange Dues are paid, one cent per dues-paying Juvenile member per quarter, except Honorary Members."

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**LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE RESOLUTIONS**

RES. NO. 53—LEGISLATION NO. 2

Fowler Grange

OLD-AGE PENSIONS

(Substitute Resolution)

BE IT RESOLVED, that the California State Grange go on record as favoring adequate old-age pension and uniform Federal pension legislation.

RES. NO. 52—LEGISLATION NO. 1

Wintersburg Grange

SUPPORTING VETERANS' BONDS

WHEREAS, between the years 1922 and 1934 the

State of California issued bonds totaling eighty million dollars for the purchase of homes and farms for veterans of World War I, and

WHEREAS, the administration of this fund by the Veterans Welfare Board enabled thousands of veterans to become the owners of homes and farms without any cost to the taxpayers of the State; and

WHEREAS, Proposition No. 1 on the November, 1944, ballot authorizes an additional bond issue in the sum of thirty million dollars for the purchase of homes and farms for veterans of World War II;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by California State Grange that in the opinion of this organization the proposed bond issue is for the best interests of the veterans of the present war and the State of California, and this organization endorses Proposition No. 1 on the November ballot, and urges its members and the citizens of the State of California to vote in favor of its adoption.

RES. NO. 54—LEGISLATION NO. 3

Fowler Grange

BLANKET PRIMARY LAW FOR CALIFORNIA

WHEREAS, the State of Washington passed what is called the 'Blanket Primary Law' in 1936. It has proven of great value to the state in electing to office those who have put the people's interest before the interests of the special privileged few, and

WHEREAS, this law gives to the voter an opportunity to vote for his choice of candidates in the primary regardless of party, this ballot keeps the competitive party system just as much as the old primary ballot did, and the candidates of each party compete with one another for nomination. Under the present Blanket Primary Law the Candidate goes before the people on his record and his platform, and the successful candidate is the choice of a plurality of votes in each party, and

WHEREAS, this Blanket Primary Law eliminates the practice of requiring voters to select a party ballot, this has permitted employers to coerce their employees into voting a certain ballot or ticket in fear of losing their position,

RESOLVED, that the California State Convention go



on record as endorsing a Blanket Primary Law for California.

RES. NO. 55—LEGISLATION NO. 4

OPPOSING CROSS FILING OF POLITICAL  
CANDIDATES  
(As Rewritten)

WHEREAS, the present election laws, permit candidates to file on one or more tickets, regardless of party affiliations, and

WHEREAS, it is unfair, un-American and done purely for selfish political gains and does gain votes of many who are not fully aware of all matters regarding the fitness of many candidates seeking office by such methods.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the California State Grange reaffirm its former stand against such practices.

RES. NO. 66—LEGISLATION NO. 15

Tulare County Pomona Grange

ABOLISH ELECTORAL COLLEGE  
(As Amended)

WHEREAS, the voters of the United States will soon be faced with the quadrennial duty of selecting a President and Vice-President; of such great moment is the selection of a national leader, commander-in-chief of the armed forces, that every faculty of serious judgement should be brought to bear upon the choice,

WHEREAS, at least three times in our history the electoral college has failed in its function and the selection of a President was thrown into the House of Representatives, where in each instance a minority candidate was selected, contrary to the mandate of the majority of the people,

WHEREAS, the electoral college may nullify the majority vote. This would be a perversion of Democracy. This condition exists only because of the inept electoral college,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the California State Grange try to have the electoral college abolished.

## RES. NO. 67—LEGISLATION NO. 16

Modoc County Pomona Grange

## DEDUCTING RENT ON PENSIONERS' HOMES

WHEREAS, our State and County Pensioners who own their own homes pay State and County taxes on their homes and have a sum deducted monthly from their pensions for owning their homes and

WHEREAS, such monthly deductions penalize those who are thrifty enough to own their homes thus encouraging shiftlessness

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the California State Grange go on record as being vigorously opposed to such deductions as being an unfair and discriminatory practice.

## RES. NO. 70—LEGISLATION NO. 19

Napa Lake Pomona Grange

## OPPOSING NO. 12

(As Amended)

WHEREAS, it is manifest that victory of allied forces can only be achieved by the united cooperative efforts of all loyal Americans, and

WHEREAS, Proposition No. 12 on the November ballot is a Measure which will produce industrial strife when we need unity of action for the war effort, and

WHEREAS, if adopted, this measure would outlaw Collective bargaining, and lower wage standards, thereby reducing the market for farm produce, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the California State Grange go on record opposing this Proposition and urge all members to vote NO on Number 12.

## RES. NO. 71—LEGISLATIVE NO. 20

Orange County Pomona Grange

## OPPOSING RETURN OF JAPANESE TO PACIFIC COAST

(As Rewritten)

WHEREAS, the Government of the United States of America and the government of Japan are now at war, and that soon after war was declared between the two governments, the Government of the United States removed all Japanese from California and the Pacific Coast,



thereby demonstrating to us that our Government and the people had no faith or confidence in the patriotism of any of said Japanese; and

WHEREAS, there is now a movement by some people advocating the return of said Japanese to California and the Pacific Coast; and

WHEREAS, we believe that such people are uninformed as to the real and true nature of the Japanese people and of their race, their creeds and teachings, and if they were rightly informed, would not advocate the return of said Japanese to California and the Pacific Coast; and

WHEREAS, we are unalterably opposed to the return of the Japanese to California and the Pacific Coast at any time, and we advocate and recommend that the government of the United States take proper steps to deport all Japanese from the United States as soon as possible, either before or at the close of the present war;

BE IT RESOLVED, that we are opposed to the return of the Japanese to California and the Pacific Coast at any time, as they have demonstrated themselves to be unworthy of trust to live or mingle with American citizens;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we urge the proper authorities to take proper steps to amend our constitution and laws, and deport all Japanese from the continental United States and all United States possessions, as soon as possible.

RES. NO. 74—LEGISLATION NO. 23

Orange County Pomona Grange

CHANGING CALENDAR

(As Amended)

WHEREAS, the World Calendar Association is making every effort to change our present Calendar system, and

WHEREAS, the change they propose would of a necessity bring about confusion throughout the world and would disrupt the present weekly cycle, which has been recognized for many years;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the California State Grange go on record as opposed to any such change and recommends our State Grange take similar action.

## RES. NO. 75—LEGISLATION NO. 24

## ABOLISHING DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME

WHEREAS, there are several measures pending, or soon to be introduced in the Congress of the United States, all having for their main objective, the discontinuation of so-called war time and a return to the basis of standard time, and

WHEREAS, after thorough trial in all seasons of the year, it has failed, in nearly all cases, to accomplish the principal purposes for which the measure was designed, while on the contrary, it has worked inconvenience and in many cases, actual hardship, on a great proportion of the people; It has not saved lights, and it has not saved fuel, in fact, just the opposite seems to have been the result and it has worked severe hardship on many school children during the school term, and it has caused the loss of literally thousands of hours of farm work at high wages thus adding materially to the farmer's cost of production, and since nearly all of the manufacturing plants engaged in war work are now on a twenty four hour basis, any argument of benefit through advanced time, in that quarter, is now, without weight.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the California State Grange favors a return to Standard Time.

## UNNUMBERED SUPPLEMENTAL RESOLUTION

Petaluma Grange

## NATURALIZATION

(As Amended)

WHEREAS, there have been recently introduced in the U. S. Congress several bills intended to grant quota and naturalization to certain ineligible aliens,

RESOLVED, that our State Delegate to the National Grange of November 15th, 1944 be and is herein directed by all means to secure passage by that body of a resolution opposing such legislation, and that our Washington Legislative Representative be ordered to give attention to such opposition before any and all Congressional Committees having in hand such proposed enactments.



## COMMITTEE RESOLUTION NO. 3

## OPPOSING NO. 6 ON NOVEMBER BALLOT

Senate Constitutional Amendment No. 25 amends sections 2 and 34 of article IV. Provides for annual session of Legislature not to exceed 60 days in each calendar year, and

WHEREAS, the present law provides most bills must be introduced after which a 30 day recess is provided, when persons and Legislators may study and have hearings, this law allows the legislators to stop the clock if necessary to finish the State business.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the California State Grange go on record as opposing amendment No. 25 which is No. 6 on the California state ballot November 7.

## UNNUMBERED LEGISLATION RESOLUTION

San Jose Grange No. 10

## FAMILY SIZED FARMS

Resolution endorsing the Farm Security Administration and recognizing its importance during the transition and post-war periods.

WHEREAS, the entire intent and purpose of the Farm Security Administration is to promote and encourage the family size farmer.

WHEREAS, the survival of family size farms must in no way be hindered by lack of adequate financing, both of the farm itself and outlets organized co-operatively,

WHEREAS, veterans and those who have left the farm for war work should be given every opportunity to return to the farm, and given adequate capital to make a success of his enterprise, be it

RESOLVED, that the California State Grange supports the Farm Security Administration loan program for family size farmers and qualified veterans who are unable to obtain credit from other sources, and it urges that Congress make FSA assistance available to such farmers' cooperatives as are unable to obtain other adequate financing.

## UNNUMBERED LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION

## MEMBERSHIP OF COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION

RESOLVED BY THE CALIFORNIA STATE GRANGE, that the membership of each county planning commission

should reflect the character of the area subject to its jurisdiction, whether primarily rural or primarily urban, and to that end the members of each county planning commission should be so selected from among persons resident in rural and in urban areas that in counties primarily rural the majority of the members of the county planning commission will be residents of rural areas, and in counties primarily urban the majority of the members of the county planning commission will be residents of urban areas; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Legislature of the State of California and the board of supervisors in every county in the State are hereby urged to take all action within their respective powers to give effect to the aforesaid principle of representation in respect to the selection of members of county planning commissions.

#### ROADS AND HIGHWAY RESOLUTION

RES. NO. 91—ROADS AND HIGHWAYS NO. 1  
Sierra Valley Grange

#### HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENT (As Amended)

WHEREAS, Demobilization promises to be before us in the not too distant future, and

WHEREAS, many needed improvements in agricultural lines are badly needed, especially, farm roads, range re-seeding, noxious and poisonous weed control etc., and

WHEREAS, these needs are in most instances beyond the financial means of local areas, and

WHEREAS, these improvements are of importance to the entire State and Nation, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the California State Grange does hereby urge a study of these problems by the State Master and that he work for increased State and Federal aid.

#### UNNUMBERED SUPPLEMENTAL RESOLUTION

Three Forks Grange

#### INCREASING WEIGHT LIMIT ON LIGHT TRUCKS (As Amended)

WHEREAS, the present State law requires all small



trucks over 3,000 pounds to pay license fees equal to large trucks, and

WHEREAS, the addition of any small rack will bring the truck over 3,000 pounds, which is still less than the weight of some large passenger cars.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the California State Grange go on record as favoring a change in the weight limit of trucks from 3,000 pounds to 3,800 pounds.

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### MARKETING RESOLUTIONS

#### MARKETING COMMITTEE RESOLUTION NO. 1 SALE OF WAR EQUIPMENT

WHEREAS, the Colmer Bill authorizing the sale of surplus war materials is now a law, and

WHEREAS, we feel said bill is inadequate in some respects,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the California State Grange use its influence that Congress amend the Colmer Bill whenever necessary to facilitate the channeling of the material direct to the consumer in the most simple and direct route.

#### RES. NO. 80—MARKETING NO. 5

Tehama County Pomona Grange

#### PRICE CEILINGS GOODS RELEASED BY GOVERNMENT (As Amended)

WHEREAS, the Government has large quantities of new and used surplus materials for sale and

WHEREAS, in the past speculators have profited exorbitantly at the expense of the tax payers in handling such material.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the proper governmental agency be asked to put a ceiling, corresponding to regional price ceilings in effect on all goods delivered to the consumer.

#### RES. NO. 84—MARKETING NO. 9

Shenandoah Willow Springs Grange

#### DISPOSING OF GOVERNMENT WAR LANDS

WHEREAS, property acquired by the Government

from farmers and no longer needed for the war effort will be offered for sale,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that farmers should have the right to re-purchase it at the same price for which the property was sold to the Government less depreciation due to Government use.

RES. NO. 89—MARKETING NO. 14  
San Bernardino County Pomona Grange

MARKETING EGGS BY WEIGHT

WHEREAS, the egg producers are not receiving their just profit from eggs sold by the dozen,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the California State Grange go on record as favoring sale of eggs by weight.

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION NO. 2

HOUSING FACILITIES

WHEREAS, according to the 1940 census, there were at that time in California many rural homes in need of major repairs, modern bathing and toilet facilities, and etc., now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the California State Grange support a program of rural building, improvement and repair and purchase of modern farm machinery and equipment to provide post-war jobs and raise the standard of rural living in California.

TAXATION RESOLUTIONS

RES. NO. 92—TAXATION NO. 1  
Lompoc Grange

TAXING RESERVED MINERAL RIGHTS

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 reserving of said mineral and oil-rights places upon said farms, a serious cloud upon the Title thereof.



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 the California State Grange 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.

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