



# OREGON GRANGE NEWS

### The Growth of the Cities Depends Upon the Development of the Rural Districts and the Grange Holds a Vital Relation to the Latter

## Wasco County

The first grange in the new era of grange work in Wasco county was instituted in the Ramsey schoolhouse, five miles west of Dufur, April 3, 1905. Within a mile of the same spot the first grange under old era was organized October 10, 1874. The new grange, Ramsey Park, No. 352, began with 41 members and now numbers 54.

At the present time there are four granges in the county, but no Pomona has been organized.

In December, 1905, J. Voorhees organized, Pine Grove, No. 356, with 77 charter members. It now has 87 members and is making plans to build a fine hall. If these plans succeed it will be the best grange hall in the state. The grange is situated in Hood River valley and amid the orchards.

Mosier Grange, No. 284, was reorganized by J. Voorhees March 2, 1906 with 26 members. It now has 35 members with four applications on file.

Frankton Grange, No. 357, was organized March 7th by J. Voorhees with 45 members. It meets in the Frankton schoolhouse in West Hood River. It now has 46 members.

The granges of Wasco county have been very active in legislative matters. They have favored an anti-pass law, postal reform, a jute mill at Salem, and other reform measures. The total membership is 225.



## GRANGE FIRE INSURANCE.

**Facts About It In Several Counties In New York State.**

The following table, prepared by W. H. Vrary, chairman of the fire insurance committee of the New York state grange, shows that such insurance is the most popular and profitable sort for the farmer to carry on his property. The average cost of insurance in these companies for 1905 was \$1.96 per \$1,000. The companies mentioned below with the exception of Broome, Chautauque, Cattaraugus, Genesee, Oneida, Ontario and Tioga, comprise more than one county within their jurisdiction:

County	Losses and expenses, 1905	Amount
Broome	272,215	\$900
Cattaraugus	1,587,130	1,530
Chautauque	2,532,568	21,972
Columbia	2,174,711	4,443
Clinton	1,169,847	1,235
Dutchess and Columbia	5,800,659	14,243
Genesee	2,988,871	5,846
Herkimer	3,511,278	3,978
Jefferson	12,432,864	23,085
Monroe	6,586,942	10,998
Montgomery and Fulton	1,630,520	3,721
Onondaga	2,099,470	8,296
Ontario	1,964,220	832
Orwell	4,488,220	14,196
Washington and Putnam	325,428	117
Rensselaer	266,400	106
Saratoga and Living	2,812,488	4,265
Ston	4,722,500	2,975
St. Lawrence	8,445,604	12,272
Tioga	2,565,696	7,834
Tompkins	2,778,102	4,415
Ulster and Orange	2,965,918	4,275
Wayne	6,898,737	16,810
	\$84,356,346	\$185,609

## An Unusual Event.

At the meeting of the Carroll county (N. H.) Pomona grange it was a notable fact that thirty-four patrons rode eighteen miles over the mountains to attend, and there were present two families containing four generations each, sitting in one meeting at the same time.

## National Lecturers' Topics.

- OCTOBER.**
- What are the objects and purposes of farmers' institutes, and is their value appreciated by the farmers in general?
  - Why should the 4th of December be observed as the birthday of the Order?
  - How can the farm ice supply be best provided?
- NOVEMBER.**
- Do farmers send their boys to the agricultural college as generally as they ought to, and, if not, why?
  - What are the advantages derived by a grange from the ownership of a grange hall?
  - What have farmers to be thankful for this year?
- DECEMBER.**
- Should agricultural fairs be given state aid for their support?
  - Have we made the grange hall a true type of a grange home?
  - Have we made our farm home a true type of a farm house?

## Columbia County

The grange in Columbia county consists of 12 subordinate bodies and 489 members. All of these except one, the Milton grange at Houlton, are in a progressive condition. Pomona organization with over 200 has done good work for over three years.

The best working grange in the county is Natal grange on the Nebalem river three miles east of Mist. It has 59 members and has an excellent record for attendance and loyalty of membership. It owns its hall and is free from debt.

Vernonia grange is far in the interior, being 26 miles from Clatskanie by wagon road. It has a membership of 46 and is taking steps to build a hall.

Clatskanie grange has a membership of 58. It is an old folk grange, not many young people being among its members. Enoch Conyer, its treasurer, is a personal friend of O. H. Kelley, the founder of the order, with whom he worked in a telegraph office in the early '60s.

Cedar Grove grange has built a large hall. It is the home grange of W. A. Young, steward of the State Grange, and has 34 members.

Quincy grange has 29 members but the encroachment of the firms to contend with.

Beaver Valley grange is an excellent organization with 43 members. Its master is Mrs. Jennie Lovelace, and she is a very able officer. The members are enthusiastic and loyal. It owns a neat hall.

Goble grange has 38 members. While it has a nucleus of loyal members it has some difficulty in getting a good attendance.

Milton grange is practically dormant. It was organized in a city with no agricultural district to draw from.

Yankton grange has its own hall. It has 30 enthusiastic members.

Vail grange has 28 members and expects to take in 20 members this winter.

Seapose grange has 64 members. It has good attendances and is growing rapidly.

The granges of that county are advocating a scalp bounty law and economy of administration in county and state.

## Multnomah County

It is doubtful if there is any Grange in the County of Multnomah that is making more progress than the Pleasant Valley Grange. One reason for its growth is that the entire membership is a unit for whatever is liable to prove of interest to the order, and the increase of its membership. It will be remembered that it is but a short time ago since they gave one of the most successful Harvest Festivals ever held in this part of the country, and through the work done prior to, and at that time, a goodly number of new names were added to their list.

Another feature has been planned for Saturday, October 27th, that augurs well for those privileged to be there on that day. It has been decided to hold an all-day session, but, contrary to the usual order of things, the men will be expected to furnish and serve the dinner. All male members failing to appear with their quota of the dinner will be fined 50 cents. It is needless to say that the gentlemen are entering into the spirit of the occasion and will do their utmost toward keeping the good name of the Grange banquet up to the standard set by the ladies of the order.

Pleasant Valley Grange now has a membership of 38 and expects to pass the 50 mark before another year has rolled around.

## DENATURED ALCOHOL.

**Practical Exemplifications of Its Uses at Jamestown Exposition.**

Uncle Sam proposes to instruct farmers in the uses of denatured alcohol at the Jamestown exposition next year. Among government exhibits will be one showing the development and uses of denatured alcohol which will be in charge of government officials. There will also be exhibited various internal combustion engines adapted to the use of alcohol as fuel. Special machinery is being made for utilizing this new fuel, and it will be chiefly the object of this exhibit to show the public how it may be applied to heating, cooking and lighting purposes and also as a fuel for engines to be used for various farm purposes. Announcement is made, we observe, that so economical will this fuel be that farmers can make their own supply from the waste products of their farms. We do not believe that alcohol can be made from various farm products economically by farmers, but rather that large plants will have to be erected at considerable cost where such farm produce may be utilized. We do not believe that the farmer should be led to think that he can erect a small distillery on his farm to make alcohol successfully and at a paying price.

## MELROSE.

Miss Janet McKay of Glenadler Farm has been quite ill for the past week.

Mrs. Sam Strehen and daughter, Jennie, visited in Portland on Monday.

Rev. J. H. Wood and wife and Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Parsons attended the M. E. conference on Sunday.

Miss Harriette Hubbard of Troutdale visited at the Stafford home Sunday.

A. L. Baker was in Portland on business last week.

Mr. Jno. Stafford of Portland is visiting with relatives this week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Parsons spent Thursday evening with John Bramhall and family.

A Baby Show was held Thursday evening at the home of Miss Helen Filkins under the auspices of the Christian Endeavor.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Tabke of Portland visited with Jno. Bramhall and family on Sunday.

Mrs. D. Strehen visited with her sister, Mrs. Bert Hoyt, at Troutdale, Sunday.

Misses Geneva B. Rhoades and Lida Bramhall attended the aster and potato exhibit at the City Hall on Saturday.

Mr. Duke and son, Cecil, were in Portland Saturday attending the potato exhibit.

Mr. Starr's house is nearing completion. It is a neat little cottage and will add much to the attractiveness of Melrose.

Mr. and Mrs. Holmes were visiting with friends across the Sandy Sunday.

Miss Mary Armstrong spent Sunday afternoon with Miss Helena Holmes.

## MRS. DUNIWAY'S INTERESTING LETTER

### Recalls Features of the Recent Press Association Meeting at Newport.

PORTLAND, ORE., Sept. 27, 1906.—To the Editor:—A half dozen times since my return from the eventful and enjoyable meeting of the Oregon Press Association last week I have attempted to recall and put upon paper my impressions and the prompt address which you asked for, and honored me by the asking, as a contribution to the Beaver State Herald, but other and more urgent duties, calls, correspondence, etc., have each time intervened until now, on the evening of my fifth day at home, as I seat myself with a firm determination to fulfill my promise, instead of the speech I made, which everybody was so kind as to accord unstinted praise, I find the words I uttered have gone from me entirely, and I can only remember the kindly faces of a genial round of newspaper folk of both sexes seated beside an open fire, paying homage, not to a woman's words, merely, but to the crowning fact that Womanhood and Manhood, Progression and Humanity, Freedom and Home were met in harmony and unity, awakening in all present higher aspirations and holier purposes than could ever have accrued to all the people in the olden times, before man and woman had learned to take up their line of work together, keeping step in time and tune to the eternal rhythm of truth and soberness, equality and justice, fit coworkers with enterprise and progress, prosperity, peace and usefulness.

What an outing it was! And how, like a benediction comes to me, the memory of those business meetings, those animated discussions and that ready-made oratory that spontaneously developed into systematized plans for enhancing the prosperity of the country newspaper, which acts as a feeder and a stimulus to the metropolitan press and supplies an important need of every county. Then, there is the journey to remember. It was an inspiring poem in itself. The beautiful country, laden with the fruitage of a bountiful harvest, the towns, villages, rivers, forests, mountains, and last, but by no means least, the promontory upon and under which the city of Newport nestles, reminding one of a mother hen with a vigorous and growing brood of ducks. (You see, there is but one step from the sublime to the ridiculous, and I've just taken that step.)

Cape Foulweather and that storm! The magnificent lighthouse, the roaring surf, the mighty rocks, the rain-soaked editors—how all of these come back to me, as under my sturdy lamp I pause and ruminate and rejoice, realizing anew that the world is moving and men and women are moving with it. While I confess to a deep sense of humiliation when I face the political mirror and see myself and all other women rated in law with idiots, insane persons and criminals I gather inspiration, courage and hope at every meeting of the State Press Association in these later years, because I see the progress Oregon's editors are making in their march toward the longed for and speedy emancipation of the wifehood and motherhood of their own homes and freedoms from the legal thrall of their present political environment. The hopes of the women of Oregon are centered upon its voters, its editors, its chivalrous and patriotic men, to whom they look expectantly for release from a political rating of which honorable men are daily growing more and more ashamed.

ABIGAIL SCOTT DUNIWAY

**Price Winners of Scholarships.**

The successful contestants for the New York state grange scholarships to the agricultural courses in Cornell university are as follows: Wallace L. Flitts of Cayuga county, Jessie V. Stiles of St. Lawrence county, Roy Shepard of Genesee county, Frank L. Grant of Monroe county, Roy Badger of St. Lawrence county and E. C. Morse of Greene county.

**"Denatured," Not "Denaturalized."**

When will our grange speakers, the agricultural press and the newspapers get through using the word "denaturalized" as descriptive of alcohol when rendered unfit for use as a beverage and medicinal purposes? We do not believe the word "denaturalized" can be found in any good dictionary. The correct word is "denatured."

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## Montavilla Board of Trade Meeting

Board of Trade met in regular session at the Montavilla Broom Factory last Tuesday night. Mr. H. Freborough in the chair, Dr. Wm. Deveny, secretary. The committee on cleanup reported progress, as did also the committee on change of letter for Montavilla from Montavilla to Montevilla. The committee on additional school facilities made a favorable report. The committee appointed for the securing of cinders for the O. R. & N. right of way reported that they had not made much headway but promised results soon. Messrs. Gerky and Parent were appointed on a committee to co-operate with the committee from the League at Central Addition in a movement to secure the immediate improvement of Villa avenue.

## Death of C. P. Ericson

C. P. Ericson for many years a respected member of this community died at the family residence last Sunday and was buried in the Gresham cemetery on Monday. Details and resolutions were received too late for further mention this week.

## PLEASANT VIEW

Conductor Chas. Ogden, of the Portland Railway Co., visited his old home early in the week.

Sunday school at Pleasant View opened Sunday with a good attendance. Officers are Mrs. B. Clark, superintendent; Rev. Soule, assistant superintendent; E. Peterson, secretary and Winona Ogden, organist. After Sunday school a short address was given by Rev. Mershon.

The school exercises on Friday were a success. Several visitors were present.

L. Mershon and wife visited Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Mershon recently. The boys of our neighborhood did not let the opportunity pass and they were charivariated in good old style. The boys were called in and refreshments served.

James Richey killed a large wildcat on his place Saturday morning, his dogs having first treed it. Mr. Cat has been feasting on the chickens and the neighbors were all glad to be rid of him.

Mrs. Ruth Cameron and children visited relatives here this week.

There was a meeting of the members of the Catholic Church on Sunday at Mrs. A. Lambert's.

Mr. Frommelt has been adding a new porch to his residence.

We are delighted to see Miss Lucy Mershon home again.

## The Civil Crown.

The civil crown was a Roman honor given to the soldier who saved the life of a citizen by slaying an enemy.

The London hospital is inclined to hold that lobster is not so indigestible as popular fancy thinks it. It is, however, less nutritious than the average fish.

The first submarine telegraph wire was laid in 1850 from England to France. Two years later Scotland and Iceland were connected.

Tops are cut in pieces of box, ebony or other hard wood by a turning machine. The machine is automatic and turns the top complete from the handle at the upper end to the tip. The metal point is afterward put in by hand.

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Mutton	4 to 4 1-2c
Kips	5 to 7c

## The Villas Close Successful Season

The Villas, the Montavilla baseball team, closed a very successful season last Sunday, having won 18 games out of 24 played, a number of which were hard-fought battles. The game last Sunday was with the East Portland Grays, and was played on the professional grounds on the west side. The Villas had a run of hard luck in the first five innings, and the Grays got over the plate nine times before the local team could get themselves together. The last half of the game was a good exhibition of ball playing, however, but it was impossible to overcome the lead, and the score stood 12 to 4 in favor of the Grays. The lineup of the Villas was as follows: Smith, C.; Wetzel, P.; Sado, S. S.; McKinley, 1st B.; Bodie, 2d B.; Rose, 3d B.; Weibusch, F.; Freenwald, C. F.; Sloan, R. F.

## Improvement Association Organized

Permanent organization of the Central Protective Improvement Association was effected last Monday night at the office of the secretary, C. T. Groat, on Davison street. The temporary officers were made permanent and are as follows: Chas. Ball, president; D. Swain, vice president; C. T. Groat, secretary; W. H. Morris, treasurer. The organization's arts out with sixteen charter members, all representative citizens of the district. The object of the association is improvement, particularly on the lines of streets and school facilities. In the latter Center addition is sadly deficient, having only a small two-room schoolhouse which only accommodates the infant classes. All of the larger pupils have to go to either Mt. Tabor or Glenco, which entails great hardships, especially in the winter season.

## Additional Gresham Locals

The Baptist Ladies Guild will meet at Mrs. Wostell's on First Street on Thursday afternoon, Oct. 11.

J. E. Stone has several hundred boxes of the very finest Wolf River apples, raised on his place south east of Gresham, they will average 50 or 60 to the box.

Preaching services Sunday evening at the Baptist Church.

G. W. Pfunder, of the Portland General Electric, was in town this week getting pledges for lights and power from the citizens. The company will wire the town at once and within thirty days electricity will be shedding its bright beams in our heretofore dark town. At least that is the promise.

Three red heifers in the Gresham pound. Owner call at once and save costs. Geo. W. Metzger, Town Marshal.

## COTTRELL.

Elmer Edwards is having his house painted.

Many of our people have just returned from the hopfields.

A. Smith visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. Smith on Sunday.

Miss M. Hudson stepped on a nail recently, which caused a painful wound.

Pastor Nutley will preach at the Baptist Church next Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. At the noon hour there will be a basket dinner and at two p. m. a church rally will be held and addressed by several persons representing the different departments of the church work. The public is invited.