

THE GRANGE

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GRANGE SUPERVISION.

A New Force in Michigan Grange Work.

Michigan Patrons are ever awake to new methods for advancing the interests and the usefulness of the Order. Their latest "organized force" in the forward movement is a department of grange supervision and inspection. The chairman of the executive committee of the Michigan state grange, Mr. F. W. Redfern, says that "owing to the rapid increase in membership and the desirability of keeping in close touch with our Pomona and subordinate granges in their efforts to assimilate, educate and instruct this new membership in the duties, obligations, privileges and opportunities given by our Order to its members it was thought best to present to our state grange a proposition for the creation of a new department to be known as the "department of grange supervision and inspection." This recommendation contained provisions for the appointment of one general and thirteen special deputies; also for the division of the state into districts, each with an approximately equal number of granges. This recommendation received favorable recognition and was made operative by the action of the state grange. In accordance with the above, one general and thirteen special deputies have been appointed. The state has been districted, and these gentlemen have commenced work. It is the duty of these deputies to visit and inspect each and every grange in the state, each deputy in the district to which he has been assigned to cooperate, advise, instruct and in every legitimate way strive to build up and strengthen the Order."

A WORD TO LECTURERS.

They Should Make Careful Preparation of Their Topics.

That so many grange meetings are dull and featureless is due in too many cases to the fact that the lecturer makes no future preparation for the meeting, says Overseer Fuller of New York. There is great need for special preparation on the part of the lecturer, that no time be wasted and every moment filled with something which will not only entertain, but set the members thinking. The lawyer who goes into court knows that in order to win his case he must thoroughly prepare himself beforehand, for he fully appreciates the fact that he has to deal with men whose brains are every whit as keen as his own. The teacher who goes into a class room of bright boys and girls knows if he would keep the interest and attention of those schools he must be thoroughly prepared to present his subject at every point. The same is true of the lecturer who would keep up the interest in the grange meetings.

On the subject of the lecturer's work Mrs. T. D. Saunders, lecturer of the Michigan state grange, says: "The lecture work will be the index of progress. Select questions for discussion and prepare papers upon the most vital and practical questions of the day, giving special attention to those pertaining to the farm, home and school. In assigning work to the members see to it that natural ability is encouraged and developed. If other work crowds upon your time, protest against it; insist upon having the lecture hour. All members rising to speak during the lecture hour shall first address the worthy master and be recognized by him in return to properly have the floor to speak. The time for the lecture hour enters into the grange order of business under the call of "suggestions for the good of the Order."

National Grange Legislative Committee.

The legislative committee of the national grange is concentrating its work upon six matters now before congress—viz, national aid to road building, a pure food bill, additional power to the interstate commerce commission, establishment of the parcels post and the consolidation of the bureau of forestry with the department of agriculture. The grange expects to win out in the efforts indicated above, says the National Stockman, by keeping everlasting, unswerving, at it, just as it did in elevating the department of agriculture to a cabinet position, the establishment of a rural free mail delivery, the oleomargarine law and the defeat of the ship subsidy scheme.

The Farmers Did It.

Secretary of Agriculture Wilson in his seventh annual report says: "In products other than agricultural during the past fourteen years the balance of trade was adverse to this country to the extent of \$305,000,000. Our farmers not only canceled this immense obligation, but placed \$3,940,000,000 to the credit of the nation when the books of international exchange were balanced."

The Order in Idaho.

While the grange is to be proud of her growth in number of granges and their

large average membership. While that state has but about 350 subordinate granges, in total membership she ranks third in the Union. Seventy-four per cent of her granges own their own halls, and these cost from \$2,000 to \$7,000 each.

Ogdensburg, St. Lawrence county, N. Y., wants the next meeting of the state grange. The city has offered the opera house for that purpose without cost.

A County Grange Legislative Assembly.

Jefferson county grangers have organized what is known as a legislative assembly. It is made up of two members of the Pomona or county grange and one member of the legislative committee of each subordinate grange in the county. It is their business to consider legislative questions and communicate the action of the assembly, through the legislative committee of the state grange, to the legislature and to congress. This assembly was organized to facilitate such business. As the Pomona grange is in session but one day it does not permit the careful consideration demanded by many of these legislative matters. Jefferson is the strongest grange county in the state, having 6,000 members.

Courtesy to Pomona's Statue.

A few months ago the venerable O. H. Kelley of Florida, one of the seven founders of the Order, was visiting the annual session of a state grange. The old gentleman's eyesight is not as good as it used to be, and on being escorted to the platform, whereon had been arranged a wax statue of the goddess Pomona, the old gentleman made a most polite bow and extended his hand to the statue in friendly greeting. This was sufficient to excite the laughter and applause of the audience; but, not to be outdone and having discovered his mistake, he turned the joke very gallantly by giving the model an affectionate embrace.

Every subordinate grange in Pennsylvania that adds five new members during the quarter ending March 31 will receive a prize of a photograph of the state grange officers suitable for framing.

The three grand purposes of the grange are the social elevation, the educational advancement and the moral improvement of the farmer's family.

A LITTLE NONSENSE.

Farmer's Pity For the Artist Who Requested Dry Bread.

A certain successful Philadelphia artist, known the country over, was lately making a tour through a part of picturesque Pennsylvania and chanced upon a barn so alluring to his eye that he sat down upon the stone fence and at once began to sketch it. He noticed in a little while that he had two very interested spectators in the persons of the farmer and his wife who dwelt upon the particular farm.

The artist by and by discovered that he had lost or misplaced his eraser, and as he wished to correct some slight error in his sketch he turned to the farmer's wife and asked if he might have a small piece of dry bread, which, as every artist knows, makes a very good eraser.

The farmer's wife looked at him with an expression of pity not unmixed with surprise. "Dry bread!" she repeated. "Well, I guess you will not have to put up with any dry bread from me, young man. You come into the kitchen, and I'll give you a piece of bread with butter on it."

"Well"—began the artist. "Now, don't say a word," she continued. "I don't care how you came into such a state nor anything about it. All I know is you're hungry, and that's enough for me. You shall have a good dinner."—Philadelphia Press.

The Reason Why.



Mr. De Blank—I hear, Mrs. De Swalla, that your husband has taken to smoking again. I thought you insisted that he should give it up.

Mrs. De Swalla—So I did, but when I found out a pretty smoking habit he had, I thought I'd let him smoke a pipe.

SCHOOL CLOSES.

Independence Public School Closes with Entertainment at G.A.R. Auditorium Thursday Night.

Graduating Exercises and Alumni Reunion with Large Attendance, Friday Night.

Thursday evening the public school gave an entertainment, the proceeds going toward the purchase of much needed school apparatus. The large Auditorium was filled and the program rendered was one of exceptional merit and reflected much credit upon the teachers. The cantata, duet drill, calliathenic drill, chorus, pyramids and recitations, comprised the greater part of the program. The graduating exercises of the 10th grade on Friday evening were well attended. The oration "The Future of the West," by Carl Percival showed a careful study into the statistics of Oregon and was well delivered. The oration "The Lights of a Continent" by Miss Hattie Mix was treated in an eloquent manner. The diction of this oration was unusually good. Shelby Cooper in a well delivered oration, treated the theme "Joan of Arc" in a new and original manner. The delivery was especially good. Mrs. E. E. Paddock sang a well selected solo. The essay "How to Economize one's time at a Great Fair" by Lester Rhodes, was filled with practical suggestions for all who may wish to visit a fair. The address to the class was delivered by Rev. Brown of Monmouth. The impersonation of the "Lone Indian" by Chas. Huntley elicited much applause and favorable comment.

In a few well chosen words the principal, Prof. T. J. Newbill presented the diplomas to the class as the culmination of their efforts in the public and high school. After the exercises the alumni held their first reunion and banquet at the school building where one of the most pleasant evenings of the year was enjoyed. The large number of old graduates was very encouraging, beginning with 1889 and extending to the present time, the classes were nearly all represented. The public and high school of Independence can well be proud of its graduates which are continually filling prominent positions in life, and the school is to be congratulated on having such an efficient corps of teachers with Prof. T. J. Newbill at the head.

Past graduates present were: Ella Robinson '95, Rose McGrath '94, Bessie Butler '90 E. Pearl Cooper '94, Ethel Walker '03, Hattie Dickinson '01, Inez N. Warner '02, Ruby Kelso '03, Nellie Campbell '93, Ivy Burton '97, Ernest N. Johnson '96, Maud Johnson '97, Carl Percival '04, Nola Owen '02, Mira Kimberlin '02, Ross H. Nelson '98, Ted Cooper '04, Lillian Cooper '90, F. E. Richardson '93, J. W. Richardson '89, Maude Peterson '96, Garlin Hill '96, Verd Hill '93, Lester Rhodes '04, Hattie Mix '04, Belle Dickinson '02, Kate Ketchum '01, Guy G. Walker '01, Roy Hawkins '02, Lester Rhodes '04, Julian Hurley '02.

Mr. J. W. Turner, of Truhart, Va., says that Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets have done him more good than anything he could get from the doctor. If any physician in this country was able to compound a medicine that would produce such gratifying results in cases of stomach troubles, biliousness and constipation, his whole time would be used in preparing this one medicine. For sale by all druggists.

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This is a picture of the hammock offered as one of the prizes in the West Side Enterprise contest now on.

Notice For Publication.
Department of the Interior, Land Office at Oregon City, Oregon, April 18, 1904.
Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the County Clerk of Polk county, Oregon at Dallas, Oregon, on June 3, 1904, viz: CLARENCE S. MARKS, H. E. No. 12140 for lot 3, sec. 4, 19 S. 75 W. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: C. C. Marks of Independence, Oregon; J. I. Marks, D. M. Hewitt, J. H. Ground, of Monmouth, Oregon. Aigerson S. Dresser, Register.

Notice.
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P. M.				P. M.	A. M.
1:20		0	Lv DALLAS Or. Ar	5:10	9:55
1:36	8:05		" *Teats' Siding "	4:54	9:39
1:39	8:05		" *Gilliams "	4:51	9:36
1:45	8:10		" *Bridgeport "	4:45	9:30
1:55	8:20	9.25	At FALLS CITY Lv	4:35	9:20

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GENERAL MANAGER.

Reduced Excursion Rates.
On and after June 1, 1904, the Southern Pacific, in connection with the Corvallis & Eastern railroad will have on sale round trip tickets from points on their lines to Newport, Yaquina, Detroit at very low rates, good for return until October 10, 1904.
Three-day tickets to Newport and Yaquina, good going Saturdays and returning Mondays, are also on sale from all East Side points, Portland to Eugene inclusive, and from all West Side points, enabling people to visit their families and spend Sunday at the Seaside.
Season tickets from East Side points, Portland to Eugene, inclusive, and from all West Side points, are also on sale to Detroit at very low rates, with stop-over privileges at Mill City or any point east, enabling tourists to visit the Nanaimo and Brienbush hot springs in the Cascade mountains, which can be reached in one day.
Season tickets will be good for return from all points until October 10. Three-day tickets will be good going on Saturdays and returning Monday only. Tickets from Portland and vicinity will be good for return via the East or West Side at the option of the passenger. Tickets from Eugene and vicinity will be good going via the Lebanon-Springfield branch if desired. Baggage on Newport tickets checked through to Newport; on Yaquina tickets to Yaquina only.
Southern Pacific trains connect with the C. & E. at Albany and Corvallis for Yaquina and Newport. Trains on the C. & E. for Detroit will leave Albany at 7 a. m., enabling tourists to the hot springs to reach there the same day.
Full information as to rates, with beautifully illustrated booklet of Yaquina bay and vicinity, timetables, etc., can be obtained on application to Edwin Stone, manager C. & E. railroad, Albany; W. E. Coman, G. P. A., Southern Pacific company, Portland, or to any S. P. or C. & E. agent. Rate from Independence to Newport, \$4.20; rate from Independence to Yaquina, \$3.70; rate from Independence to Detroit, \$8.00; three-day rate from Independence to Newport, \$2.35.

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