

THE LANE COUNTY NEWS

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Mainly For the Farmers.

GETTING THE MOST FROM THE GRANGE RALLY.

The Grange Rally is as old as the Order under whose auspices it is held. Most of us think of it as an opportunity for a good time, a chance to meet neighbors. This it should be and we can hardly magnify the social privileges of such a meeting. It is a great misfortune to be so engrossed in business, so weighed down with care, or even so much in earnest about the welfare of a particular organization that we forget our friends.

The Grange Rally should afford a chance to meet old friends, and to make new ones, and we should enjoy to the fullest extent its social privileges. But at the same time, it should be productive of other and possibly even greater results than these. It should strengthen the Grange where it is held. It should give new life to the nearby Granges whose members attend, and the program and the address at the meeting should be such as to enthrall all who listen or take part, with a greater interest in Grange work. Not because it is Grange work, but because it is work that needs to be done. The Grange Rally has not quite answered its purpose unless the people who attend go home with a larger vision of life.

The people should be able to go home from a Grange Rally rested, happy in memory of the old associations renewed, and the new friendships formed, but they should also be given something new to think about. Old truths should have been given a new setting, and some new truth should have been grasped.

Above all, there should have been something in the program of the day to touch their hearts. A song, a reading, or an address that simply impresses you as a great effort, that appeals to you only to make you think of the performer, and ask, "How could he do that?" counts for but little after all. The things that get hold of people's hearts, and influence their lives are the truly great things.

—Michigan Farmer.

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ACREAGE OF FARM LANDS

The last Federal census shows the total number of farms in the United States to be 6,361,592, containing 878,798,325 acres.

The land in farms represents 46.2 per cent, or less than one-half of the total land area of the country. Of the total acreage given only 478,451,769 acres are classed as "improved land." The balance comprises wood land and other unimproved land in farms. The improved land given above is only about 25.1 per cent of the total area of the country. The average size of farms, as shown by the last census, is 138.1 acres of which an average of 75.2 acres are improved, and 62.9 acres unimproved.—Exchange.

THE INDIVIDUAL OR THE COMMUNITY?

By FRANK M. BEVERLEY

The right view was taken by a member of this community recently when a measure affecting the whole was under consideration. Said he: "This measure put in force would be to my individual benefit, but it would be to the disadvantage of the neighborhood as a whole; and I'll not be selfish enough to favor the measure." That was the genuine Grange spirit. Each individual member of a community is dependent in a way upon the others, and each should favor whatever measure would be to the benefit of the whole.—Virginian.

A little more persistence, courage, vim.
Success will dawn o'er fortune's golden rim.

Then take this honey for the bitterest cup;

There is no failure save in giving up
No real fall as long as one still tries.
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Unless you're beaten there, you're bound to win.

—JAMES WHITCOMB RILEY



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