

National Grange Works For Rural Road Safety

Highway safety in rural communities is the theme of the twelfth renewal of the annual campaign undertaken by the National Grange through its 8,000 local or subordinate granges to insure for residents of rural communities a greater measure of protection and caution while on the streets and highways.

The campaign takes the form of an essay contest among junior members of the grange, with a long list of awards and prizes to be given the successful contestants. The subject on which grange boys and girls are to write 800-word papers is "How the Grange Can Promote Highway Safety."

The closing date is August 1, when all papers are to be submitted to the subordinate lecturer of each local grange. The major prize is a trip to the national convention at Sacramento, California, with all expenses paid, to be given to the boy or girl whose essay is ranked first in the nation.

The second national award is fifty dollars, the third is thirty dollars, while fourth and fifth winners receive fifteen dollars and five dollars respectively. State prizes are numerous. For the best essay from each state the writer receives a check for five dollars and a silver medal, while the second, third, and fourth winners each receive bronze medals. It has been the custom in previous years to present the national winner to the national convention or sessions of the grange, and to afford the successful contestant an opportunity to read his paper to the assembly.

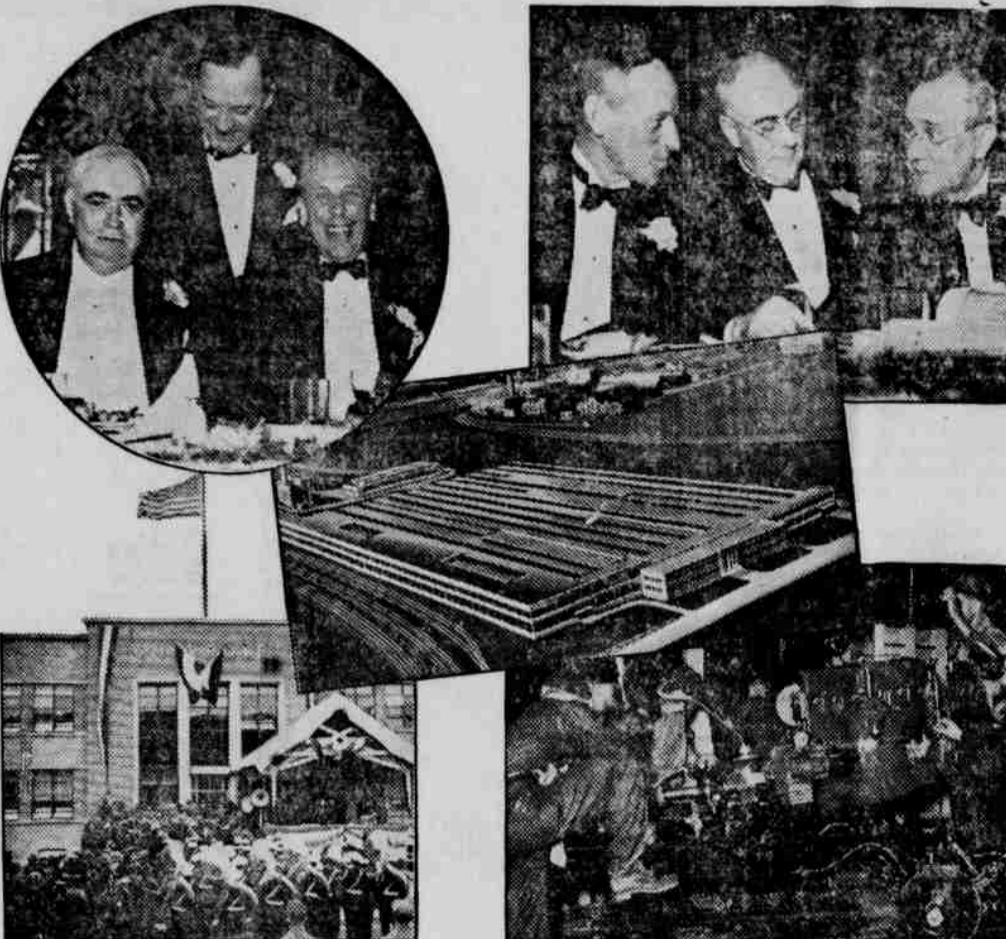
All prizes are gifts of the Automobile Manufacturers association, which has cooperated with the National Grange through this long period in an effective campaign that has made material contribution to the reduction of accidents on rural highways. The rules provide that the subordinate lecturer in each grange shall be in charge of the contest, and further details may be secured from him, from the state or national master.

L. J. Taber, national master of the grange, is one of the most active proponents of street and highway safety programs. In urging the subordinate granges to wage vigorous campaigns among their members to secure a reduction of the accident toll, Mr. Taber said: "The loss of life, the loss of property, and the suffering caused by avoidable automobile accidents is so tremendous that you can render a service to your grange, your community and the nation by a program of the character outlined in the rules for the campaign this year."

Officials of the organization cooperating in the campaign agree that an educational campaign on traffic safety among rural communities is of the utmost importance, since an analysis of traffic mishaps shows that although less than one-fourth of the accidents each year occur on country roads, a much larger proportion of fatalities are recorded in rural areas.

National Master Taber himself supervises the selection of the winning essays. Each state master forwards him the best essays from the several states, and these the national master turns over to a committee of three distinguished persons whose rating is accepted by him and by the grange as final.

New Chevrolet Assembly Plant Opens in Baltimore



Governmental, state and civic officials joined with the principal executives of General Motors Corporation in the formal opening of the new 80,000-car-a-year Chevrolet assembly plant in Baltimore recently. The new plant (center) was dedicated with impressive ceremonies (lower left), and Chevrolet, Fisher Body and General Motors officials were guests of the Baltimore Association of Commerce at a formal banquet in the evening. W. E. Holler, vice-president and general sales manager of Chevrolet, is shown (standing) with Maryland's Governor, H. W. Nice, and Alfred P. Sloan, Jr., president of General Motors (upper left). M. E. Coyle, president and general manager of Chevrolet, is pictured in the upper right photo with Senator Millard Tydings (left) and Mayor H. W. Jackson, of Baltimore (right). Lower right shows the first motor car built in that city.

These awards are always made in ample time for the national winner to reach the scene of the national convention usually held in November of each year.

Winners of recent national awards in the grange contest are: Ruth Walden of Liberal, Kansas; Stanton Peterson, Braham, Minnesota; and Verna Brown of West Pawlet, Vermont.

STATE SAVES MANY VALUABLE RECORDS

Salvaging operations of the state department following the fire that destroyed the capitol building in April 25, have brought to light many documents and much equipment that was first thought to have been lost, and great care has been exercised in the removal of material to preserve the valuable records and as many supplies as possible, reports Earl Snell, secretary of state. "One of the most fortunate occurrences as far as records of the state department are concerned," states Mr. Snell, "was the preservation of documents stored in the large three story vault in my office. Concentration of fire-fighting efforts on the north wing of the capitol, when it became apparent that the building was doomed, kept the contents of the vaults in the state treasurer's office and the state department intact, and thus prevented great loss of historical data as well as auditing records controlling the state's financial system."

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The regular meeting of the Women's Foreign Missionary society will be postponed on account of the Union Missionary society which will meet Friday afternoon, July 12, at 2:30. The Ladies Aid will meet next Wednesday afternoon at 2:30 at the church. A full attendance is desired as there will be an election of officers. You are always welcome at all the services of our church.

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a book of yellowed sheets that were not damaged by the heat and steam in the vault. The framed painting of the seal of the state, as drafted by the committee of early days, was also unharmed. An extremely valuable collection of law books, dating back to the state's formation, which comprised the library termed the Oregon Archives, was carried to safety during the fire and has been reassembled in a new location in the present headquarters of the secretary of state in the state office building. Law books valued at many thousands of dollars, stored in the base-

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To Judge Northwest Essays



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SALE OF FARM LANDS UP. Spokane.—Sales of Pacific Northwest farm land by the Federal Land bank of Spokane since January 1, exceeded by \$371,000 sale for the corresponding period of 1934, according to Ward W. Newcomb, vice president in charge of the land department of the bank. The six-month sales for 1935 totaled \$1,438,352.75, compared with \$1,056,823.37 for the same period last year. In addition to this increase in sales, reflecting the improved condition of agriculture.

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