

National Grange

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Mayor of the City of Lancaster, is expected to welcome the Grangers to Lancaster.

Representatives from 37 states are expected to act on 600 resolutions and matters of policy.

Most of the Grange sessions are closed to the public.

Exceptions include the National Master's Address,

the Wednesday luncheon, and the Friday Rural American luncheon.

In addition, an exhibit of crafts and photography will be open to the public from Wednesday through Saturday in the Host Farm's lobby.

Speaker at the Wednesday lunch meeting will be George Elsey, President of the American Red Cross.

At Friday's Rural American lunch James Williams, Deputy U.S. Secretary of Agriculture will speak on farm programs.

Committee reports will be presented starting on Tuesday, November 13.

Delegates will elect national officers on Wednesday, November 14. Committee reports will continue throughout the day.

Thursday will focus on youth and family events.

The youth breakfast Thursday morning will be

open to all young Grangers, including candidates competing for National Prince, National Princess, and the Young Couple awards.

Pennsylvania's Grange Prince is Kenneth Raney, Enon Valley, a student at Penn State. The State Princess is Cynthia McCullough, New Galilee, a Temple University student.

The State Young Couple is Keith and Suzanne Treichler, Kutztown.

The Grangers run the

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nation's largest sewing contest, the largest needlework contest, and the largest stuffed toy contest. Winners of national awards will be named at the evening Women's Activities Banquet.

Thursday also will mark recognition of community service awards to local Granges which have done outstanding work in their home areas.

Grangers also will recognize past delegates.

Junior Grangers, 5 to 14 years of age, will have their own lunch. In the evening, the Junior Grange awards, Family Music Contest, and Talent Contest will be held.

Saturday will be the highlight of the National Convention for an estimated 4000 Grangers who will take the Seventh Degree in three conferrals.

Grangers must be present at a national convention to get the Seventh Degree and members from Pennsylvania, Maryland, Delaware, New Jersey and throughout New England are expected to flock to Lancaster for the ceremony.

At the Youth Pageant the National Prince, Princess, and Young Couple will be named. That event will be followed by a coronation ball.

Sunday will continue with a memorial service in the morning. New officers will be installed in the afternoon. Committee reports will continue.

Monday and Tuesday, the 19th and 20th will be marked by further committee reports and delegate action on matters ranging from inflation to energy, from transportation to ag policy, and to include taxes and tax reform.

The National Grange said it hopes to have all business concluded by Tuesday night.—CH



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