

Grangers honor Scott after 17 years service

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WYSOX — Legislators, Grange officers, and nearly 100 Grange members from Bradford and Sullivan counties, gathered last Friday at the Wysox Fire Hall to honor John W. Scott, of Camp Hill recently retired from serving 17 years as Pennsylvania Grange Master.

Completely surprised by the party planned in his honor, Scott had attended the banquet intending to speak about legislative issues.

Master of Ceremonies was Richard Van Noy, past Bradford County Pomona Master. He presently serves as secretary of the State Grange.

Assemblyman Roger Madigan; Robert Somerville, administrative assistant for Senator Hager; and Senator Frank O'Connell, all briefly commended Scott for his grange work.

A large citation from the State Senate containing a Resolution of Congratulations for his years of service was presented to Scott by Fred Von Wolfradt, Pomona Master.

Mrs. Ruth Fish, past Pomona Secretary for 30 years, gave Scott a Retirement Award Plaque and thanked him for his untiring efforts and for his loyalty and friendship through the years.

Scott replied that the Grange had been his life for the past 17 years, and he wouldn't trade it for a million dollars, yet he wouldn't take 15 cents to do it over.

Having been in farming all his life with his two loves being the Grange and agriculture, Scott is now employed in the Marketing Services Area of the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture.

He is working to increase the export sales of Pennsylvania Farm Products and is anticipating the Japanese



John W. Scott, left, received a citation from the State Senate honoring him for his 17 years of service to the Grange. Fred Von Wolfradt, Bradford County Pomona Grange Master, is shown giving it to him.

Trade Show at the City Line Holiday Inn in Philadelphia, September 15, when 150 Japanese buyers will come to look over farm products.

State Grange Master, Charles Wismer, and his wife, Jane, also were present for the celebration.

Wismer commended Scott for his years of service

saying he cannot fill John's shoes, but considers him an important advisor. Wismer has appointed Mr. and Mrs. Scott as membership chairmen of the State Grange.

Other Grange officers honoring the past Master were Fred Von Wolfradt, Bradford County Pomona

Master; Ron Harris, former Pomona Master and now on the State Grange Youth Committee; Mrs. Elsie Springer, State Grange Ceres; and Mrs. Buelah Roberts, Pomona Chaplain.

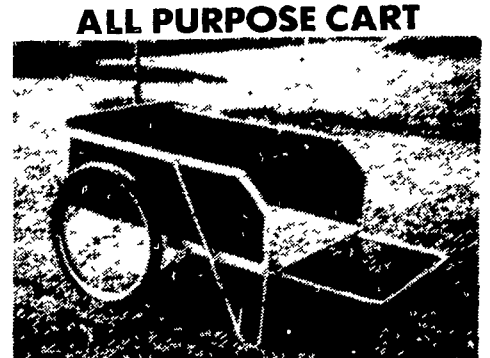
The climax of the evening program was a skit called the Newlywed Game

presented by the Union Grange with Robert Peters as moderator. Assisting him with sound effects were Elvyn Roberts with a circle saw, and Louis Sturdevant on the auto horn.

Other entertainment was the Dale Mattocks family, winners of the first place prize of the family instrumental group contest at the National Grange Con-

vention; and vocal solos by Nancy Robinson, accompanied by Olynda Smith.

the Bradford Sullivan Grange Legislative Banquet is an annual affair started years ago at the suggestion of the late John Brackman for increased communication between Grange members and their legislators.



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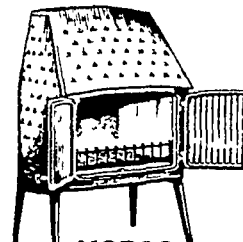
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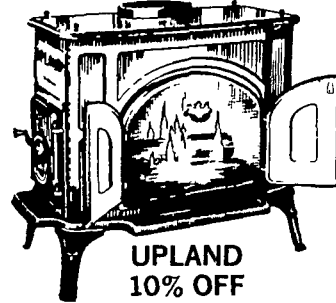
Charles Wismer, Pennsylvania Grange Master, with his wife Jane, as seen at the Bradford-Sullivan Grange Legislative Banquet held recently in Wysox.

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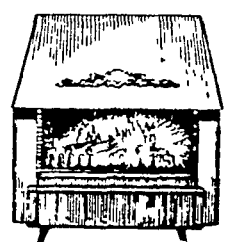
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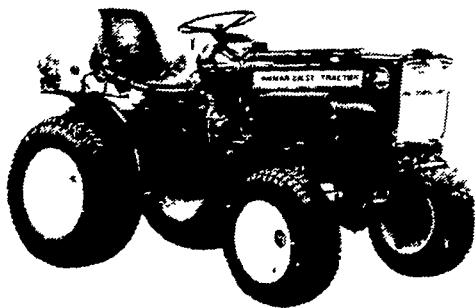
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