Md. State Grange holds annual session

FREDERICK, MD. — The 106th annual session of the Maryland State Grange was held Oct. 16-18 at the Sheraton Inn in Frederick, Md. The Frederick County Pomona Grange hosted the three-day session.

State Master Rodman Myers, dairy farmer from Thurmont, said that grange member attendance and enthusiasm was equal to last year's session. Frederick County Commissioner Adrian "Mac" Remsberg welcomed the grange members. State Chaplain Lavinia McGolerick, held a memorial service for members deceased since

Master.

Membership chairman Maurice Wiles announced that Maryland had a membership increase for the second year in a row and urged all members to continue their efforts. Beltsville Grange placed first with an increase in membership of 17, second was Glade Valley, third was Jarrettsville, followed by New Market, Emmorton, Braddock, Emmitsburg, Thurmont, Linganore, Dublin and Calvert Granges.

James Wilson of the National Grange presented the "Working Together for Safety" Awards to Glade Valley Grange, first and Thurmont Grange, second.

The Women's Activities Luncheon was hosted by Mrs Louisa Hott, chairman. A total of 125 persons attended with Mrs. Julia Gouge of Hampstead, president of the Maryland Extension Homemakers Council, as keynote speaker. She expressed a willingness to coope ! with the Grange in various programs and she outlined the homemakers structural programs.

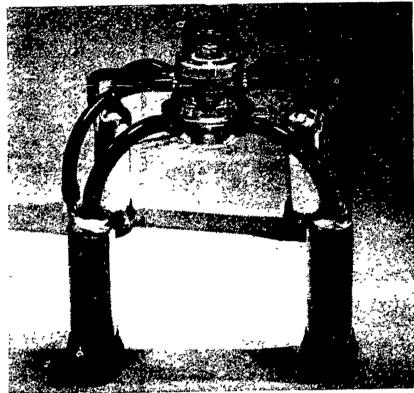
Lester Stem, chairman of the Deaf Scholarship Committee, introduced Kimberly Davenport and Mrs. Lucinda Whitworth, recipients of two \$500 deaf scholarships from the Grange. Stem commended

all granges for working to make this program successful. Members of the grange toured the Maryland School for the Deaf later that afternoon.

Lavinia McGolerick, cookbook committee chairman, reported that continued sales of the cookbooks were very successful.

The fifth and sixth degrees were conferred on 26 candidates Thursday evening by the Frederick County Pomona Grange and (Turn to Page B7)





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Winners of Maryland State Grange Community Service Awards include, from the left, seated, Mary Riley, Jarrettsville Grange, third; Janet Wiles, Glade

Valley Grange, first and eligible for national competition; and Donna Mills, Carroll Manor Grange, fifth. Standing are Melvin Wright, representing

Norrisville Community Grange, second; Roger Troxell, Thurmont Grange,

fourth; Maurice Wiles, State Grange Community Service Chairman; Eugene

Mills Jr., Carroll Manor Grange Master; and Rodman Myers, State Grange

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