

The Year Was 1867 . . .

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methods of transportation and communication. Just recently had the first railroad lines linked the nation together; and the telegraph was still in its infancy.

Millions of people were still marked by the deep tragedy and bitterness of the War Between the States.

In the past its membership has swelled during times of economic and social stresses in the nation reflecting the goal of the Grange founding fathers:

"a local community association where a group of people should be brought together as neighbors and friends to discuss



William H. Ringler
PA Grange Master

with candor and tolerance many local problems; to arrive at a clearer recognition of . . . needs a mutual agreement on ways of meeting those needs; transforming strangers into neighbors, perhaps even enemies into friends, as local misunderstandings should be wiped away, prejudices removed, intelligence diffused and cooperation established."

Today Grange membership stands at nearly 42,000 in Pennsylvania and in a time of shrinking rural population the Grange membership in the Commonwealth has seen a constant increase in the past few years. The Grange has become what its founding fathers had hoped it would be and that is an organization where people from all economic backgrounds and occupations can come together and work towards a common goal.

The Grange has proposed and won many legislative battles and continues to do so today. A good example of the Grange's strength in legislative battles comes from a

story in the Grange's proud past. "A lady member of the Grange visited her sister in St. Paul. One of the conveniences of city living impressed her more than other--the mail was delivered right to her door. She made a report to her subordinate grange about this, and a motion was made, seconded, and passed to ask their state master to carry a resolution to the National Grange. It became the beginning of an effort almost exclusively by the National Grange that resulted in rural free delivery. Today, Pennsylvania has the most rural mail routes of any state in the United States.

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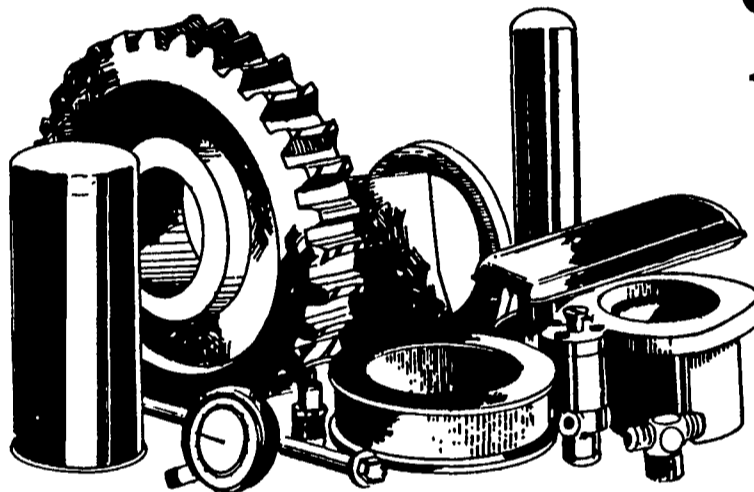
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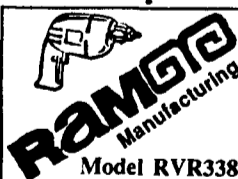
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