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THE GRANGE

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WHAT IS THE GRANGE?

Question That Should Need No

With 800,000 members in the United States, it would seem altogether un-necessary to ask or answer the above question. But this paper may come under the eye of some one who is not familiar with the aims and principles of our Order. It is an organization of farmers for their mutual welfare. Among the specific objects named in its declaration of purposes are these: To develop a better and higher man-hood and womanhood among ourselves; to enhance the comforts and attrac-tions of our homes; to further co-operation; to buy less and produce more in order to make our farms self sustain-ing; to bring producers and consumers, farmers and manufacturers, into the most direct and friendly relations posible. The grange is nonpartisan, yet its principles underlie all true politics and statesmanship. It believes in cooperating together in every legitimate manner for their own protection and to enhance their mutual interests.

The Order is called the Patrons of Husbandry, and the head of the national grange is Hon. Aaron Jones of South Bend, Ind. Twenty-eight states have state organizations. Below them are the county organizations, called Pomona granges, and below these are the numerous subordinate granges. Meetings of these subordinate granges are held once a month or oftener, where subjects pertaining to the farmers' interests, social, educational and agricultural, are discussed. Women are on an equality with men in the grange, and to them not a little of the wonderful success of the organization is due. Its purpose may be stated in a word to be: To uplift the farmer mor ally, socially, educationally and materially.

NATIONAL GRANGE MEETING Many Portland Organizations Bestir-

We learn from a Portland (Ore.) paper that several committees have alpaper that several committees have ar-ready been named by the various or-ganizations in Portland, Ore., to ar-range for the next meeting of the national grange in that city. The or-ganizations that are interesting them selves in the matter are the board of trade, chamber of commerce, the Manufacturers' association, the Commercial club and the state granges of Oregon and Washington. At a meeting of representatives from these sev eral bodies committees on finance, en tertainment, reception, transportation and an executive committee were appointed. It was decided to raise a fund of \$2,500 to defray the expenses of entertaining the national meeting. The Portland Oregonian says that one of the special features contemplated by the committee in case the meeting can be secured will be an excursion for the delegates to Corvallis, on the west side of the river, returning on the east side. The citizens of Corvallis of the sange.

have signified their willingness to as-sist in defraying the cost of such an excursion and are enthusiastically in favor of securing the national meet-

ing for Portland.

We are informed by the chairman of the executive committee of the national grange that he understands the conditions the committee named have been or will be met by the Portland people and the Oregon and Washing-ton state granges. It is proposed to have all the delegates meet at the St. Louis exposition and go from there in special cars to Portland.

ew York State Grange Scholarship. At the last meeting of the New York state grange it was voted to apply \$200 per year to four scholarships at the Cornell Agricultural college for the Cornell Agricultural college for young members of the grange in New York state. The arrangement of the details of the plan has been left to State Lecturer Fred Shepard and State Secretary W. N. Giles. However, it is practically decided that the scholar-ships shall be awarded to the two boys or girls in the state, members of the grange, who stand highest in a company of the state of the st or gris in the state, memoers of the grange, who stand highest in a com-petitive examination to be arranged by the college. It was thought first that the scholarships would be awarded to the counties making the greatest gains in membership, but this did not seem

Worthy Master Gaunt of the New Jersey state grange says that co-operation is a fundamental grange principle In this state the value of co-operative effort has been thoroughly demonstrated, particularly in the matter of fire insurance. In the purchase of fertil-izers the Patrons of some countles are saving thousands of dollars annually.

Join the Grange

Join the grange and grow up with it, says the New York Farmer. It is a social center, an intellectual awakener, a polisher of manners, an educa tional gathering, a business enlivener an idea expander, a harmony promot-er, a developer of talents and an all round good thing for you.

After July 1 rural mail carriers will receive \$720 per year. They are not allowed to receive subscriptions for papers or to solicit business and can carry merchandise for patrors along the routes.

A Progressive Grange. Stockholm Depot (N. Y.) grange is doing good work. It has a well organized literary programme for the year. It has a membership of 200, owns a building lot and has \$340 in the treasury. At a recent meeting it was unanimously voted to unite with form a county dairymen's association

JUDGESHIP NOMINATION IN STRONG DEADLOCK.

The Sullivan-Wyoming Democratic Conferrees Cannot Agree. Conference Has Met Four Times and is no Nearer a Solution of the Muddle Than at the Beginning.

The Sullivan Wyoming Judicial district conference was held in Wilkes Barre Tuesday for the purpose of trying to come to an amicable agreement on the nomination for Judge. The conferrees were in session all day but adjourned without making any nomination.

This is the fourth conference held since the county convention, and they are no nearer a settlement of the contest than they were at the beginning. The two candidates for the nomination are James W. Piatt, an attorney of Wyoming county, and John Scouten, of Dushore.

The conferrees failed to accomplish much and returned to their homes, unable to report anything new.

Bishop Talbott at Laporte.

Next Sunday at 7:30 Bishop Talbot of the Episcopal Church will pay an official visit to St. John's Church when a class of seven young women will receive the rite of Confirmation. The following are in the class: Pearl Heim, Mamie Heim, May Brieger, Mrs. Lena Decker, Hazel Diltz and the Misses Magaret and Celia Heim of Lancaster, Pa. The Church Choir of 18 voices will sing and will be in charge of Mrs. E. M. Dunham, the organist. Bishop Talbot is widely known throughout the country in ecclesiastical and literary circles and has the reputation for being a pleasant speaker. The choir procession will start promptly at 7:30.

WOULD STARVE LABOR.

Tariff Juggling Fatal to Those Who

The Democrats in pleading for "tar-iff reform" profess to be speaking for the workingmen, yet if a revision of the tariff is attempted in the interest of less protection who will be the chief sufferer? The manufacturer who feels threatened by a cut in the schedule he is interested in can close his works and wait for the turn of the tide or retire if he finds conditions likely to be too much against him in favor of the for-eign manufacturer he is now protected against.

In that case his workmen will have to seek employment in the smaller market for labor the changed conditions will create. The capitalist can gather his money bags about him and live on his capital until the storm blows over. But the workingman has no such resources and must seek new employment, perhaps learn another

Binghamton workingmen and work ing women had a strong taste of just such an experience when the Wilson-Gorman tariff was under considera-tion. The local overall factories were kept then in such a state of suspense as to the future that they closed down or ran short time during the session of

congress.

The cigar industry suffered a great deal from the hesitation in the tobacco saving thousands of colors annually, and yet co-operation is not what it should be. If farm supplies could be ordered in several hundred too lots, as in fertilizers, feed, etc., it would be much to the farmers' advantage. ical of the situation throughout the en tire country at a time of tariff jug-gling. It was the workingmen and the working women who suffered most then, and it was they who paid for the cost of the whole wretched agitation .-Binghamton Republican.

The grange is a means, not an end.

It has no merit only as it accomplishes something. A machine is useless unless it works. The grange organization, or machine, is valueless except it works up better results for the farmer. In the early days thousands flocked to the grange, expecting to get rich through it in a few months; others thought the angel that guards the farm ers' welfare would with one stroke sweep away all wrong and injustice. So today some people expect too much of the grange. They forget that the best work of all organizations takes time to ripen. The ripe fruits of educational work cannot be gathered in a other organizations of the county to day. Social culture, mental growth, form a county dairymen's association The Kansas state grange reports show that the balance in the treasury is greater than at any time during the last twenty-five years. At the last meeting, held at Arkansas City. Hon. E. W. Westgate was re-elected master of the a-range.

Peach Crop a Failure.

The peach crop in Pennsylvania will amount to pratically nothing this year, and there is a strong prospect of peach culture dying out in this state, according to a statement just made by State Economic Zoologist Surface, who is informed probably better than any other person upon the condition of Pennsylvania fruit trees. Dr. Surface has visited many parts of the State and is in concommunication with fruit growers, and he pronounces their reports regarding the fruit crop most discouraging.

The remarkable increase of the San Jose scale, the Chinese insect which feeds on fruit trees and which was imported to this country only during the past decade, is principally responsible for the prevailing conditions, though the hard winter just past is also blamable to some extent.

Narrow Escape for Mrs. David Rishel

Mrs. David Rishel had a narrow escape from being killed by a passenger train at Sonestown on the evening of July the 4th. She was crossing the creek on the railroad bridge when a train came rapidly toward the bridge. Some men who saw the danger shouted an alarm. Mrs. Rishel started to retrace her steps when she slipped between the ties and would have been run down but for the heroic action of a man who seized her by the arm and dragged her out of the way. She was considerably bruised and suffered from shock, but is now much improved.

Ellis Barto was also on the bridge and had to hang himself over the side to avoid being run down.

Dushore Enterprise.

Samuel Cole and James Cunningham of Dushore have purchased the stock of the Dushore Silk Mill Co., which was owned by Scranton parties. The stock is now all owned by Dushore parties and the silk mill is being put in shape to do a good

Communication.

The large crowd of people which gathered here from the surrounding country and nearby towns to celebrate the glorious fourth and enjoy the sports and various entertainments were treared to an unusually nice game of ball in the afternoon between a padded aggregation called Sonestown, compound of players from Hughesville, Picture Rocks, Muncy Valley, and Sonestown teams and the Nordmont team. Notwithstanding the picked team which Sonestown run out, the Nordmont boys held them down to within 3 runs of tieing the score which was 18 to 21 in fayor of Sonestown. For a while it looked as though Sonestown would have a walkover. But in the 7th, 8th and 9th innings the Nordmont boys pulled themselves together for a winning streak and run the score up rapidly. The only thing which prevented the Sonestown boys from suffering severe defeat was the talent imported from the above named towns: The writer was an eye witness of the game from start to finish and is positive from the ball the Nordmont boys put up that they can easily defeat the Sonestown team it they use their own talent. Weiland who pitched for Nordmont although unsteady by times pitched an excellent game, having 9 strike outs to his credit. The features of the game were the fielding by Eddy and the batting of Minor and Weiland who have to their credit each a two base hit, and the only 3 base hit in the game by Weiland to center field. We would like to have the game repeated and we are confident as before stated by useing strictly home talent Nordmont can easily carry off the honors.