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COMPETITION FOR PRIZES.

A Plan That Works Successfully in New Hampshire.
 Governor Bacheiler, when master of the New Hampshire state grange in 1903, remarked that a few years ago a system of prizes was established by the state grange for promoting and perfecting various features of the grange. When this policy was first suggested it was regarded with suspicion by many, but has so thoroughly accomplished its purpose and so effectively contributed to the success of grange work as to dispel doubt as to its value. There must be some incentive to action beyond the bare sense of duty in order to succeed in any undertaking of enterprise. The incentive may not be the real value or usefulness of the prize when obtained so much as the spirit of competition aroused in working to secure it. This principle is recognized in many ways and made effective in securing enthusiastic effort in many directions.

The prizes in the grange have been used for increasing the membership, increasing the attendance at meetings, perfecting the ritual work and improving the literary exercises. A prize being offered in each deputy district renders the competition fierce on account of contact and knowledge of progress being made by competitors and enables the award to be made by a deputy familiar with all the conditions. The decoration of grange halls with trophies won in these friendly contests—for competition is between granges rather than between individual members—affords an interesting exhibit to visitors and an inspiration for more zealous work on the part of members in future years. No enthusiastic sportsman decorates the walls of his ruder camp in the forest or his elegant home in the city with trophies of the hunt or the chase with greater satisfaction than do the members of a victorious grange decorate the walls of their grange home with evidences of victory in the mental race stimulated by a well arranged and appropriate system of prizes. The cost of prizes offered annually is about \$200.

KANSAS GRANGE STORES.

An Example of Successful Co-operation of Farmers.
 The largest grange store in the United States is located at Olathe, Kan. It has been in successful operation for twenty-nine years, and it has distributed to its patrons more than \$600,000 in dividends. In Olathe is located also the Patrons' Co-operative bank, with a capital of \$100,000 and surplus funds of \$35,000. Both of these institutions are owned and managed by members of the grange. About one year ago the store building and all the merchandise were burned, causing a loss of about \$97,000. It was insured for \$90,000, which was promptly paid, and with the surplus fund of \$30,000 the store was rebuilt and restocked immediately. At Cadmus, Kan., there is another similar enterprise. The store occupies a stone building 40 by 100 feet in size and three stories high, with a well suited and tastily decorated grange hall on the third floor. This co-operative enterprise involves \$18,000 of machinery and supplies in addition to the building and real estate owned. The Cadmus grange has about 300 members.

State Grange Meetings.

The places and dates of the various state meetings are as follows: California, Oakland, Oct. 5-7; Colorado, Denver, Jan. 10; Illinois, Springfield, Dec. 13; Indiana, South Bend, Dec. 13; Iowa, Des Moines, Dec. 13; Kansas, Topeka, Dec. 13-15; Kentucky, Cynthiana, Oct. 18-20; Maryland, Baltimore, Dec. 13; Massachusetts, Greenfield, Dec. 13-15; Minnesota, Minneapolis, Dec. 13; Maine, Lewiston, Dec. 20-22; Michigan, Lansing, Dec. 13-17; New Hampshire, Concord, Dec. 20-22; New Jersey, Trenton, Dec. 14-16; New York, Ogdensburg, Feb. 3-7; Oregon, Forest Grove, May 23; Pennsylvania, Erie, Dec. 13-17; Rhode Island, East Providence, Dec. 14-16; South Carolina, Bishopville, Dec. 14; Vermont, Bellows Falls, Dec. 13-16; Washington, Toledo, June 6; West Virginia, Charleston, Jan. 17; Wisconsin, Appleton, Dec. 13-15.

No World's Fair Headquarters.

Early in the season it was hoped that the national grange might provide suitable grange headquarters at the St. Louis world's fair, but the fair management did not seem to be as enthusiastic over it as the executive committee was and delayed making arrangements for a suitable building until finally the committee abandoned the idea. It is much to be regretted, inasmuch as it would have been a pleasant meeting place for the grangers throughout the United States and would have made known the work of the grange through its representatives there and through its literature, and many might have become acquainted with its aims and purposes who now know but little of it.

Major McFee and wife of Lake county, O., are earnest workers in the grange. They are also officers in the Salvation Army. The army farm comprises 500 acres.

Sonestown Cider Mill

will open September 10, 1904 and will continue to run on Thursday, Friday and Saturday until noon each week until November 18, 1904. J. M. CONVERSE.

Transfer of License.

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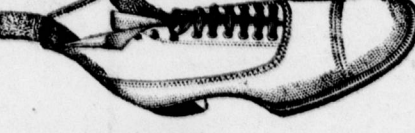
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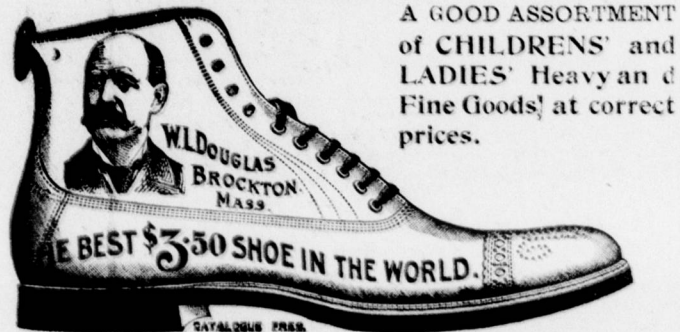
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 In effect Monday, Oct. 3, 1904.

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