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Grange

SOME QUESTIONS ANSWERED.

A State Master Passes Upon Some Important Matters.

A New York Pomona grange at a recent meeting voted to get the opinion of the state master on several questions that arose for consideration at that time. The questions with their answers follow:

(1) Is every member of a grange obliged to vote at the election of a candidate?
I know of no law obliging all members present to vote on applications for membership. Yet I think it the duty of all present to do so unless a good excuse is offered.

(2) Is it necessary that every subordinate grange submit its bylaws to the state master for his approval?
I should say it is proper to submit the bylaws as adopted by subordinate granges to the master of the state grange that he may see that they do not conflict with those of state or national grange and have his approval.

(3) Can one member of a grange properly vote for another person who has not the annual dues and who might be a stranger and thus allow such person to obtain a seat in a grange?
There might be times that it would be proper and show due courtesy to allow one member to vote for another who might not have the annual dues or be able to give it.

Adopting Grange Minutes.
When is it proper and in accordance with general custom to adopt the minutes of a grange meeting?
State Master Hill of Pennsylvania makes answer as follows: "The grange minutes or record of proceedings is to be adopted at the close of the meeting. This is a natural and proper thing to do, as the body that makes the minutes is the one that should correct and adopt them. In the interval between that and the next meeting they are to be transcribed in the permanent minute book, and are read at the opening of the succeeding meeting, merely to show that the secretary has transcribed them properly, to refresh the memory of the members upon what was done at the preceding meeting, and to suggest any unfinished business requiring action at that meeting."

What New Hampshire is Doing.
H. O. Hadley, master of New Hampshire state grange, says that encouraging reports are coming in from all sections of the state on grange work. Large classes are being initiated. He has appointed June 15 as children's day and asks that every subordinate grange meet at its hall or some other suitable place to hold a meeting for the interest of the children. And he suggests that as far as possible the exercises should be conducted by the children. The idea is a good one. The State Grange association in that state is planning to co-operate with the Concord fair at its annual exhibition next fall. Eight hundred dollars will be divided among the winning contestants in all departments, in addition to the regular premiums. Premiums of \$40, \$25 and \$10 will be awarded to the best collective grange exhibits of farm products and a like amount for the best exhibit of poultry and fancy work. The exhibit of the New Hampshire grange in this particular is commendable.

Grange Co-operation.
Clyde grange, located in Wayne county, N. Y., is one of the progressive granges of the state. It is particularly active in cutting out the profits of the middlemen and saving them to the farmers. The Clyde Farm Exchange was organized in 1900, and incorporated with a capital of \$5,000, later increased to \$10,000. All stockholders are members of the grange. The exchange owns and operates a store and a warehouse. There is storage capacity for 1,400 tons of coal on the top floor of the warehouse, the coal being carried to the bins by an elevator directly from the cars, and from the bins by chutes to the patrons' wagons.

In an adjoining building is a first class roller feed mill with all equipments. There is also a blacksmith shop, stables and sheds. The exchange deals in coal, wood, fertilizers, seeds and general farm supplies.

Grange Fulfilling Destiny.
F. E. Dodge of Fredonia, N. Y., passed his eighty-fifth birthday recently. Mr. Dodge was the first master of Fredonia grange, which was the first grange organized in New York state and is still one of the most flourishing. When he assumed the office of master he said, "I am chosen to preside over the deliberations of a body whose destiny is shrouded in the dark and misty future, a destiny which no one can foretell and a problem that nothing but long and weary years of incessant toil can solve."

An Excellent Work.

An excellent work is being done in the Order by Patrons engaged in writing for and conducting grange departments in local papers, says the Pennsylvania Grange News. These members should be commended and encouraged in this good work, for it not only aids in keeping the general membership posted on the activity and progress of the Order, but is weekly placing these matters before many readers who are not members, thus directing their thoughts toward the grange. Editors of local papers, as a rule, are very friendly to this work, and if you are not having any grange matter in the local papers of your vicinity would it not be a desirable matter to place before the next Pomona session and see if some action cannot be instigated to bring it about?

Advertisements on Barns.
Every grange should devote at least one evening to the discussion of the question of advertisements on barns and on large signboards in the fields through which railway trains pass. It is a hideous desecration of farm surroundings and should not be permitted. Every grange farmer should resolve that no such advertising can be done on his buildings or premises.

Delaware Grange Work.
The state of Delaware reports an increase of grange membership in one year of 25 per cent. The grange is endeavoring to induce the trustees of the Agricultural college to use the federal appropriation for strictly agricultural courses in the college instead of building up other departments with it.

Pittsford (N. Y.) grange will give a floral exhibit in the town hall in August. Competition is open to all who reside in that town and vicinity. Prizes are offered in forty-six classes.

The fortieth anniversary of the foundation of the Order of Patrons of Husbandry occurs Dec. 4—a good time to celebrate.

The national grange executive committee held a joint meeting with the special committee on grange life insurance at Albany, N. Y., on April 25.

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