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SYSTEMATIC ORGANIZATION.

Co-operation of Subordinate, Pomona and State Legislative Committees.

While the grange is an organization, it does not get all the benefits that might accrue from more systematic organization. There is a lack of timely co-operation to secure highest results. For instance, each Pomona grange should have its legislative committee, which should thoroughly familiarize itself with the plans and purposes of the state legislative committee, or, to turn it about a little, the state legislative committee should see to it that Pomona legislative committees and indeed subordinate grange legislative committees should be familiarized with the objects it is undertaking to accomplish and how it proposes to accomplish them.

At Pomona meetings the subordinate legislative committees should report on any work in hand and thus give the Pomona legislative committee instruction as to needs and demands in respect to any local legislation, as through boards of supervisors or county legislative boards, by whatever name called, as well as to enable Pomona legislative bodies to keep the state legislative committees posted on matters relating to grange and farmers' interests in each county. Perhaps one of the most efficient Pomona legislative committees in New York is that of Chautauque county, but there is no reason why every county should not be as good as that.

THE NATIONAL GRANGE.

Its Forty-first Annual Meeting to Be Held in Hartford, Nov. 12-22.

Great preparations are being made by Connecticut Patrons for the coming of the national grange to Hartford in November. State Master Wood and J. H. Hale, chairman of the executive committee, and many others are busy in making plans for the entertainment of the grange visitors, who are expected to number anywhere from 8,000 to 10,000 during the ten days' session of the national body. Headquarters will be at Hotel Garde, and the sessions will be held in Fort Guard hall and in representative hall at the capitol. The half dozen hotels of Hartford will be filled to their utmost, but it is said that 500 private houses will be thrown open to guests, so that every one may find accommodation.

The chief matters of interest to come before the session will be the biennial election of officers and the discussion of public questions in which the grange finds particular interest, among which that of the parcels post will perhaps take precedence. The election of officers is likely to create more than usual interest. It is conceded that National Master Bacheider has "made good" during the first term of office, and he will doubtless be given another term. But there is likely to be a lively contest for some of the other offices. The dates for the meeting are Nov. 12-22.

INITIATIVE AND REFERENDUM.

Michigan Wants Direct Legislation, but Other States Do Not.

The executive committee of the Michigan state grange has issued a circular letter to members of the Order in that state calling on them to support only such candidates for the state constitutional convention as will be in favor of direct legislation. All candidates are asked to reply to the following question: "Are you in favor of direct legislation on the plan of the initiative and referendum, and, if elected, will you exert your best effort to incorporate its principles into the new constitution?"

It is interesting to note how differently this question of direct legislation is regarded in the different grange states. Michigan favors it. So does Maine. So does Washington and Oregon. New York does not, and many other states do not. Why should there be any variance? If direct legislation is good for one state, why not for another? Perhaps states having great cities within their limits would better not adopt it. This matter was discussed at the national grange meeting at Denver last year, and it is quite likely to come up at the Hartford session.

A Little Wool Trust.

One of the subordinate granges down in Maine has evolved a practical scheme for benefiting the farmers, says an exchange. A Patron residing at a convenient place has been authorized and furnished capital to buy from its members the wool produced by their flocks and pay 25 cents per pound in cash for the same. As soon as all the wool is in it will be turned over to the wholesale wool buyer who bids the most money for it. The extra amount received will then be divided pro rata. Thus they will receive top prices with no middleman's profit to be deducted, the only expense being the actual cost of labor for handling.

A Model Grange Home.

Very few granges in the country have had the good fortune that has come to Laurel grange of West Newbury, Mass., which has just had placed at its disposal an elegant \$20,000 hall, which they are to occupy with no other expense than the janitor service. The building is of the old English style, 58 by 90 feet in size, with front porch 12 by 22 feet. The first story is of brick and the second of wood, with cement stucco, high pitched roof and colonial interior, finished very handsomely. The auditorium seats 300 people and has been elegantly furnished. A stage 12 by 30 feet has dressing rooms and all conveniences. In the building are also a banquet hall 30 by 60 feet, a kitchen 12 by 16 feet and fine pantry, closets and paraphernalia rooms. There is also a delightful reading room 16 by 22 feet, with a good library and reading tables.

An Eloquent Granger.

Mortimer Whitehead, the silver tongued orator of the grange and one of its oldest members, has been doing yeoman service for the Order the past summer in New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Michigan, Ohio and Kentucky. His home is near New Brunswick, N. J.

In the national congress there are 356 members, of whom only nine are farmers, and we doubt if they are grangers. Something wrong there!

Take grange among your farmer neighbors! All farmers should stand shoulder to shoulder these days for the principles the grange is seeking to uphold.

THE GRANGE
 Conducted by
 J. W. DARROW, Chatham, N. Y.,
 Press Correspondent New York State Grange

NEW GRANGES.

New York Organizer Gives Some Practical Suggestions.

John N. Stowe, a special deputy of the New York state grange, gives some sensible suggestions about organizing new granges. He says that it is not best to call a meeting until at least thirteen of the prospective members' fees are paid. Twenty or thirty charter members make a good number to start with. At the first meeting, when all who intend to become members have signed the application list and have paid their dues, those not desiring to join should be requested to retire from the room. The ballots should then be taken on those names which were on the list prior to the meeting to ascertain if they are willing to affiliate with each other; then ballot singly on the names presented at the meeting, and if any ballot is unfavorable return the fees to the applicant and allow him to retire. Inducements in respect to grange stores, trade discounts, co-operative purchasing, etc., should not be held out for persons to join the grange. They are likely to overestimate these advantages. "I believe," said Mr. Stowe, "that the grange that is organized for educational purposes first and co-operation after will accomplish the greatest good." Let great stress be placed on the first object of our Order—namely, to develop a higher manhood and womanhood. The obligation should be made very impressive. It should be regarded as a sacred thing and should be administered and assumed with the intention that it is to be sacredly kept. Anything short of this is not an obligation. The duty of each officer should then be explained, and then proceed to the election of the officers and instruction in the unwritten work. Installation may take place at this meeting if there is time. After the officers are installed they should be assisted in opening the grange in due form, and so far as possible assistance and instruction should be given in the different degrees; then proceed with the instructions for the closing ceremony.

ARBOR DAY PLANS.

A Suggested Programme For Arbor Day Meeting.

The Arbor day observance should be arranged at a previous meeting, committees being appointed to awaken an interest in the matter and to superintend the setting of such trees as are placed in public parks or other public places. All the people, whether members of the grange or not, should be made interested if possible in the work. On the evening of Arbor day a meeting should be held at the grange hall and appropriate exercises presented. This meeting can be a closed session or open to the public. The following is suggested as an appropriate programme for such a meeting:

Address—"The Origin and Object of Arbor Day Observance."

Questions For Discussion—What are the advantages of each of the following methods of Arbor day observance in this locality? Setting trees for growth of wood or timber, and what variety should be set? Setting trees for fruit growing, and what varieties should be set? Setting trees for shelter and shade around the home, and what varieties should be set? Setting trees along the highway and upon public grounds, and what varieties should be set?

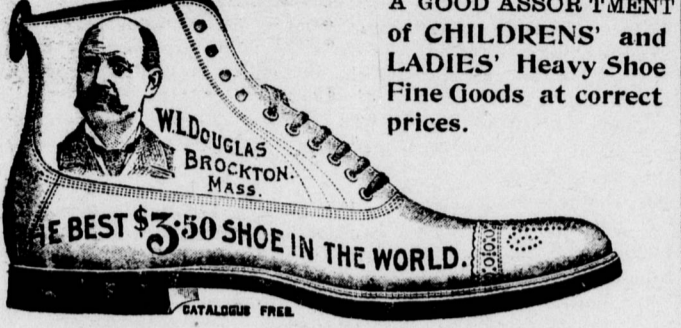
Essay—The setting of evergreen trees and rules to be observed in setting them.
 Essay—The name and characteristics of all varieties of trees by the roadside between my home and the grange hall.
 Five minute talks by members, each stating what action he has taken in the day's observance.
 Supper.

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