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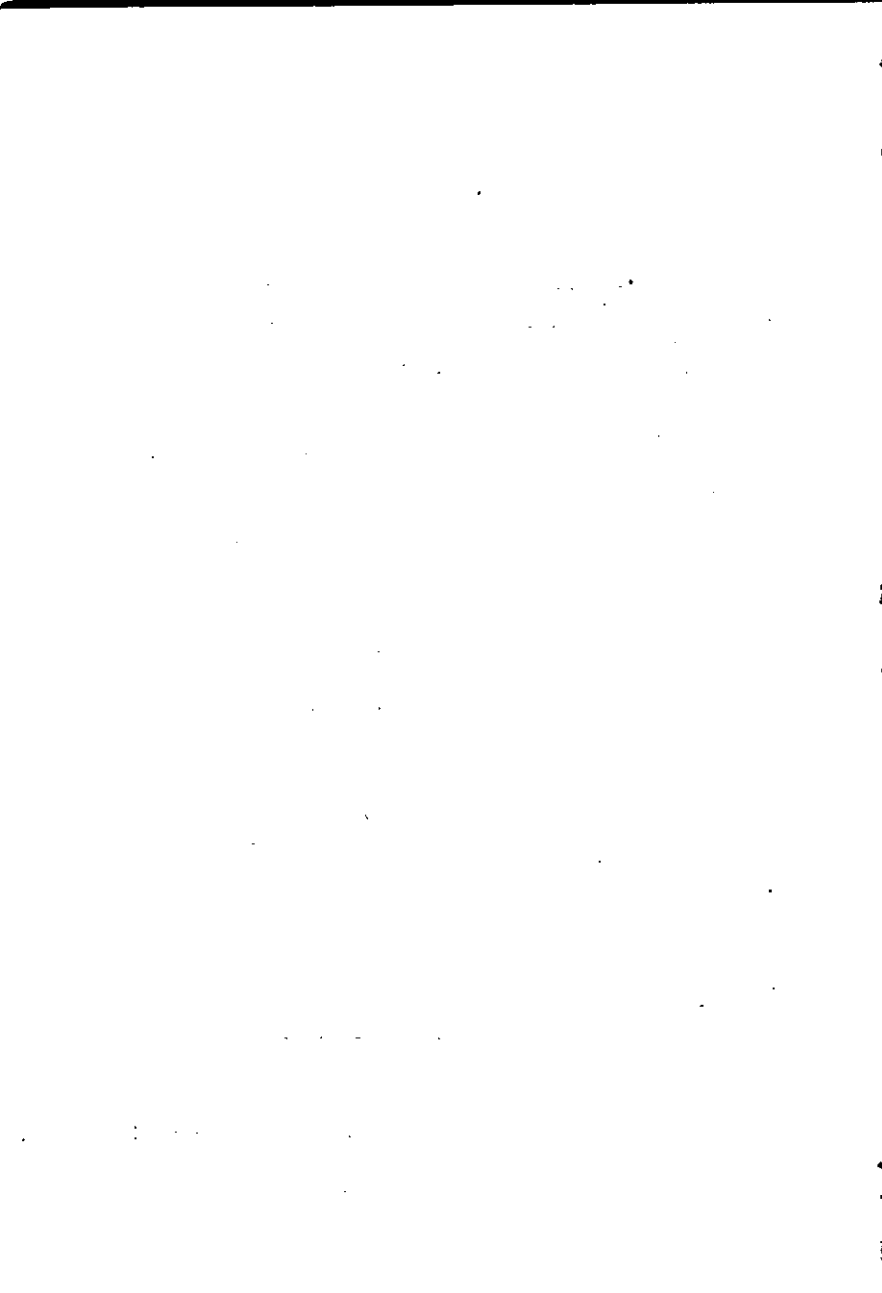
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Eighty Third Annual Session Of California State Grange

OCTOBER 17, 1955

SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA

TUESDAY MORNING

The eighty-third annual session of the California State Grange was called to order at 10:00 A.M. in the Municipal Auditorium in Sacramento with State Master George Sehlmeier presiding.

The State Officers were seated, conducted by the Assistant and Lady Assistant Stewards, W. G. LaCaille and Margaret Robinson. Presentation of the flag followed with Patroness Ceres as Standard Bearer. The "Star Spangled Banner" was sung by all.

All who were not members in the sixth degree retired and the California State Grange was opened in regular form with Jane Johnston and L. C. Bloom of Elk Grove Grange acting as Deputy Assistants.

The Chaplain, Leta Littler, led the assembly in seeking divine guidance following which J. C. Gordon led the group in singing "America the Beautiful".

Roll call disclosed Officers present as follows:

Master	George Sehlmeier
Overseer	Edwin Koster
Lecturer	Margaret Avery
Steward	John Freitas
Assistant Steward	W. G. LaCaille
Chaplain	Leta Littler
Treasurer	Marshall Dopkins
Secretary	Celia Harding
Gate Keeper	William Davis
Ceres	Phyllis Ingram
Pomona	Elaine Howell

Flora	Effie Spencer
Lady Asst. Steward	Margaret Robinson
Pianist	W. C. Campbell
Executive Committeemen	Harry Barnes
	Elmer Frieberg
	William Pisenti

Due to the absence of Ceres and Pomona, the State Master appointed Elaine Howell to serve as Pomona for the session and Phyllis Ingram served as Ceres for the first days session after which Marjorie Johnstone was appointed to serve for the remainder of the session.

State Grange was closed in the sixth degree and opened in the fourth degree and 194 members were admitted. Elsie Hill of Elbow Creek Grange, Tulare County, was appointed as assistant to the State Secretary.

Ray Gill of Oregon State Grange and E. Lars Nelson, Master of Washington State Grange were escorted to the Master's station and introduced. Each brought a short message to the assembly. Sister Elizabeth Sehlmeier was seated at the side of the Worthy Master.

The grange stood at ease while H. H. Hendren, Mayor of Sacramento, and Percy Simons, Master of Sacramento County Pomona Grange were escorted to the Master's station and each gave an address of welcome.

W. C. Jacobson, State Director of Agriculture, was introduced and gave a short message.

Meeting was called to order and the program of the 1955 State Grange Convention was read by the Secretary as follows:

CONVENTION PROGRAM

Sacramenton, California

MONDAY, OCTOBER 17, 1955

Morning

10:00 A.M.—General Board of Directors, Grangers Business Organization, State Grange Office, 2101 Stockton Blvd.

Afternoon

- 1:00 P.M.—Registration of Delegates — Sacramento Hotel
3:00 P.M.—Masters Conference — Little Theater — Civic Auditorium

Women's Building

- 12:00 to
1:45 P.M.—Open House
1:45 to
2:00 P.M.—State Master's Greeting
2:00 to
3:30 P.M.—Program
3:30 to
4:30 P.M.—Fashion Show
4:30 to
6:00 P.M.—Open House

Evening

- 8:00 P.M.—Reception — Civic Auditorium
Motion Picture "The Grange Story"
Short Program
Dancing

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 18

Morning

- 8:30 A.M.—Registration of Delegates — Civic Auditorium
10:00 A.M.—Opening California State Grange—
Civic Auditorium
10:30 A.M.—Address of Welcome
Speakers will be introduced by Percy R. Simons,
Master of Sacramento County Pomona Grange
No. 2
Noon Recess

Afternoon

- 1:30 P.M.—Reconvene — Civic Auditorium
Annual Address — George Sehlmeier,
Master California State Grange
Open to public
2:30 P.M.—Credit Union Conference

State Grange called to order in regular session
State Officers Reports
District Deputies' Reports

5:00 P.M.—Grange Closed

Evening

7:30 P.M.—Short Lecturers' Program
Dedication of Women's Building

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 19

Morning

8:00 A.M.

to

9:30 A.M.—Home Economics Conference—
Little Theater — Civic Auditorium

9:00 A.M.—Opening California State Grange—
Civic Auditorium
Roll Call of Officers

Reading of Journal of Yesterday
California Grange News Booster Barrel opening

11:00 A.M.—Special Order: Nomination State Grange Officers
Invitations for 1956 State Grange Convention
Committee Reports
Report of California Grange News by
Craig Hazelwood, Jr., Managing Editor
Report of Grangers Business Organization, Inc.
by Paige L. Harper, Manager
Noon Recess

Afternoon

1:45 P.M.—Reconvene — Civic Auditorium
Address by representative
Future Farmers of America
Report on California Water and Power Users
Association by Charles Lambert
Committee Reports

2:30 P.M.—Credit Union Speaker

3:00 P.M.—Report by Representative,
California Physicians Service
Committee Report

Report, Grange Fraternal Fire Insurance
Association
Home Economics Report, Mabel Glenn
Committee Reports Continued

4:00 P.M.—Evening Recess

Juvenile Conference — Little Theater

Evening

7:00 P.M.—Reconvene — Civic Auditorium

Presenting Prize Winners of Grange News Sales
Slip Contest

7:30 P.M.

to

8:30 P.M.—Youth Program

Under direction of Mrs. Augusta Melott,
State Grange Youth Director
Farmers Insurance Exchange Report and
Presentation of Prizes

8:45 P.M.—Introduction of Resolutions not submitted

State Grange office
Fixing closing time for introduction of new
resolutions
Business Session
Grange Closed

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 20

Morning

8:00 A.M.—Lecturers Conference — Little Theater —
Civic Auditorium

9:00 A.M.—Opening California State Grange—
Civic Auditorium
Roll Call of Officers
Reading of Journal of Yesterday
Business Session

11:00 A.M.—Recess

Juvenile Grange Program, under direction of
Lydia N. Joiner, State Superintendent of
Juvenile Granges

12:00 P.M.—Noon Recess

Delegates and Visitors will assemble in front of
the Civic Auditorium for a picture

Afternoon

- 1:30 P.M.—Reconvene — Civic Auditorium
Memorial Services under direction of
State Grange Chaplain, Leta Littler
Grange called to order following
Memorial Services
Business Session
- 3:00 P.M.—Grange Fraternal Fire Insurance Meeting
Sutter Junior High School
Reports of Committees
Report of State Superintendent of Juvenile
Granges, Lydia N. Joiner
- 4:00 P.M.—Recess
Secretaries Conference — Civic Auditorium

Evening

- 7:30 P.M.—Reconvene — Civic Auditorium
7:30 P.M.—Motion Picture "Kings X"
8:00 P.M.—Fifth Degree conferred by Sacramento County
Pomona Grange No. 2 Degree Team
Sixth Degree conferred by Officers California
State Grange
Grange Closed

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 21

Morning

- 8:00 A.M.—Home Economics Club Breakfast—
Masonic Temple, 12th and J Streets
- 8:00 A.M.—Men's Breakfast (Place to be announced)
- 9:00 A.M.—Opening California State Grange—
Civic Auditorium
Roll Call
Reading of Journal of Yesterday
Reports of Committees and Action on
Resolutions
- 11:30 A.M.—Recess

Afternoon

1:30 P.M.—Reconvene — Civic Auditorium
Reports of Committees

5:30 P.M.—Evening Recess

Evening

8:00 P.M.—Reconvene — Civic Auditorium
Reports of Committees
Unfinished Business
Installation of Officers
Closing 83rd Annual Session,
California State Grange

GRANGE YOUTH PROGRAM**MONDAY, OCTOBER 17**

12:00 P.M.—Open House of Women's Building
1:00 P.M.—Youth Register — Sacramento Hotel
3:30 P.M.—Fashion Show
8:00 P.M.—Motion Picture "The Grange Story"
Dancing

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 18

8:30 A.M.—Youth Register — Civic Auditorium
9:00 A.M.— Youth Conference
10:30 A.M.—Youth Grangers — Make entrance in Main
Auditorium
12:00 P.M.—Luncheon — With Speaker
(Place to be announced)
(TICKETS TO BE SOLD)
1:30 P.M.—Annual Address by George Sehlmeier,
Master California State Grange
2:30 P.M.—Tour (To be announced)
5:00 P.M.—Evening Recess

7:30 P.M.—Lecturer's Program and Women's Building
Dedication

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 19

8:30 A.M.—Home Economics Conference

10:00 A.M.—Attend General Session

12:00 P.M.—Recess

1:45 P.M.—Address by Representative,

Future Farmers of America

2:30 P.M.

to

4:00 P.M.—Walking Tour (To be announced)

4:30 P.M.—Juvenile Conference (Youth Attend)
Evening Recess

7:00 P.M.—Presenting Prize Winners of Grange News Sales
Slip Contest

7:30 P.M.

to

8:30 P.M.—Youth Program

Under direction of Augusta Melott,
State Grange Youth Director

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 20

8:00 A.M.—Lecturer's Conference — Youth Attend

9:00 A.M.—General Session — Youth Attend

11:00 A.M.—Juvenile Grange Program,
Under Direction of Lydia N. Joiner,
State Superintendent of Juvenile Granges

12:15 P.M.—Recess — Delegates and Visitors assemble in
front of Civic Auditorium for pictures

1:30 P.M.—Memorial Services,
Under direction of State Chaplain,
Leta Littler

3:00 P.M.—General Session — Youth Attend
Report by Lydia N. Joiner,
State Superintendent of Juvenile Granges

4:00 P.M.—Recess

5:00 P.M.—Semi Formal Dinner (Tickets to be sold)

7:30 P.M.—Motion Picture "Kings X"

8:00 P.M.—Fifth Degree

Sixth Degree — Conferred by Officers of
California State Grange

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 21

8:00 A.M.—Home Economics Club Breakfast

8:00 A.M.—Men's Breakfast (Tickets to be sold)

9:30 A.M.—Youth Conference — Speaker

12:00 P.M.—Recess

2:00 P.M.—Attend General Session

5:30 P.M.—Recess

8:00 P.M.—Farewell Party

Motion made by Tom Whitley and seconded to adopt the program. Motion carried.

All deputies and State Representatives present were escorted to the Master's station and presented with a badge. The convention stood at recess until 2 P.M.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON

The California State Grange reconvened at 2 P.M. and the convention stood at ease during the report of worthy master. Harry Barnes presided while State Master, George Sehlmeier, addressed the delegates and visitors.

ANNUAL ADDRESS**By****GEORGE SEHLMAYER****Master, California State Grange****INTRODUCTION**

This morning we open the 83rd Session of the California State Grange. Sacramento County Pomona Grange No. 2, and Subordinate Granges in this county have left nothing undone to make this a pleasant and successful State Grange Session.

Our Convention this year is being held in an area which is rich in the history of the Grange. Sacramento County Pomona Grange is the second oldest Pomona Grange in the state. This Grange at one time owned and operated a store on the site now occupied by the Sacramento Hotel at 10th and K Streets.

The history of this city is closely related with the pioneers of California. Sutters Fort was the stopping place of the immigrant trains when they crossed the Sierras and arrived in California. A short distance to the east lies the beautiful City of Placerville. To all early residents this city was known as Hangtown. Within its early borders was located the famous Hang Tree. It was under this tree that miners held their court and where justice was swift and sure.

The 1949 State Grange Session was held in this City. Since that time important changes have occurred, both in our State and National economy. During the last few years the operating costs of the California State Budget has risen considerably above the one billion dollar mark. Prospects are during the next Budget Session of the Legislature, this amount may be materially increased.

This Convention has before it important responsibilities. The needed change in the national farm program and the all important question of conserving our water resources will be before this State Session for action. The decisions made here will become the program of the California State Grange for the year ahead. We are confident when this State Convention closes, our Delegate Body will have adopted a program which will attract not only state, but national attention.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

During the last year 65 Granges in California participated in the Community Service Contest. Others entered, but did not report.

Not only those winning prizes, but all of our Subordinate Granges who took part in the National Grange Community Service contest benefitted from this experience. The program for 1955 and '56 is now underway. We suggest all Subordinate Granges give careful attention to this program and investigate the advisability of participating in a movement for community betterment.

The different projects undertaken in this state are too numerous to include in this report. The records indicate, Granges who participated were all engaged in worthwhile community projects.

The prizes, including bonds and plaques will be presented during this Convention.

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CALIFORNIA GRANGE NEWS

The California Grange News was established in January of 1932. The first issue was of a magazine type — later the paper changed to full sized newspaper. In more recent years a tabloid size paper has been used. The California Grange News has made steady progress during the years it has been in operation until now it has become one of the most widely quoted rural paper in California.

Early this year the printing of the paper was moved from Woodland to Sacramento, making it possible to use color, and several improvements were available due to the more modern press in Sacramento.

All four western state Grange papers may face some financial difficulties in the not far distant future. The National Grange Monthly will be subsidized by insurance companies

and sent free to every Grange family in the United States. This may result in these four western papers losing nearly all, if not all of their national advertising which constitutes an important part of the income and may make it necessary to use some subscription income to carry on the papers. In California, the Grange News due to our large operation, probably will suffer least of the four papers. While we hesitate to criticize the action of the National Grange Monthly,, we were sorry to learn it has become necessary to accept subsidies from insurance companies, some of whom have a very remote connection with the Grange, to make this paper available to all Grange families in the United States.

The California Grange News has become a very important part of Grange activities in this state, and we are confident in the years ahead our paper will continue to go forward.

Craig Hazelwood, Jr., managing editor, will report to the convention.

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YOUTH PROGRAM

The Grange Youth Program has become an important part of our activities. The Spring Conference was held in the California Polytechnic College in San Luis Obispo with a large attendance under direction of Augusta Melott, State Youth Director.

A program which should be of interest to all of our Grange youths has been arranged for this Convention. We hope many of these young members will attend the regular Sessions of the State Grange in order they may have an opportunity to better understand the important of Grange work.

Some of our Subordinate Granges have Degree teams made up almost entirely of youth members. This is a very worthwhile project. Not only is it of interest to those participating, but likewise it has great value for the young people in giving them training and confidence while engaged in degree work.

As far as we have been able to learn the California State Grange Youth Program is one of the most active and strongest in the western part of the United States. We extend our

thanks to those members in San Luis Obispo County who furnished housing and other accommodations to young people attending the Spring Conference.

During the year, in cooperation with the Farmers Exchange, a Safety Program was conducted by youth members.

We are confident in the years ahead this movement will continue to grow and become more important in Grange activities and many of these young people will become active members of Subordinate Granges.

Mrs. Augusta Mellott, State Grange Youth Director, will report during this State Grange Session.

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GRANGE CREDIT UNIONS

Grange Credit Unions have become an important part of Grange activities in California. It is both interesting and gratifying to note the growth of these worthwhile organizations during the last few years. Unfortunately when these Credit Unions were first organized many of our members looked upon them as an agency principally to secure loans, but in more recent years more of our members have become acquainted with the very satisfactory and worthwhile savings programs Credit Unions furnish to our membership. With the support Credit Unions merit, from our membership, in a short time nearly all of them should be able to take care of practically all our membership Credit needs and at the same time provide a savings program for all of those who desire this service.

The Credit Union Conference will be held this afternoon at 2:30 P. M. Officers and members of Credit Unions and all others interested are invited to attend.

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PROVIDING NEEDED SCHOOL FACILITIES

Furnishing new facilities for schools has become a very important problem in many areas throughout the state. Local tax payers find it difficult, if not impossible, to furnish new school facilities necessary for the increase in school attendance. During the last few years, school enrollment in kinder-

gartens, through junior college, has increased 160 thousand pupils annually. Apparently in many areas there are still two classes of children going to school, due to lack of facilities and room in school buildings. It is apparent the State of California will have to supply funds to many of the areas where the lack of facilities have become a very serious problem. At the present time the greatest shortage of facilities is in cities and so-called fringe areas.

School authorities have estimated, during the next five years, one billion dollars is needed for new school facilities. This means taxpayers, at all levels, wherever there is a need for new facilities will have to spend one billion dollars a year to meet the needs of increased enrollment.

For several years, the California State Grange supported legislation which would have materially reduced the cost of school buildings. Resolutions were adopted by State Grange Conventions requesting the State Department of Education adopt and make available to school districts a uniform set of plans for the construction of schools and make these plan available to districts where new construction was necessary.

Recent reports indicate the population of the state is still increasing; if this continues it will inevitably result in still greater costs for school construction in many areas of the state. According to press reports some of our officials are of the opinion the state at present is facing a school crisis. Education cannot wait. When children are ready to start to school, facilities must be provided. It is one of the most serious problems now facing California.

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ATOMIC ENERGY CONTROL

It is estimated the development of Atomic Energy cost the Federal government approximately twelve billion dollars. It has been suggested, in the not far distant future it will longer be important to build large generating electric plants because Atomic Energy will take their place. This power is not only of almost inestimable value to industry and to the general public, but at the same time if fully developed will have a very pronounced impact on the whole question of use of electric power and many other uses which may be developed with Atomic Energy. As was expected when this re-

source was developed, private interests moved in to gain control and it seems they have made considerable headway.

We believe the control of Atomic Power should remain with the government and not be turned over to private interests and thus make it possible to exploit the public when this power becomes ready for universal use. Considering the large amounts spent by the government and the time it has taken to develop this power, its value to the people of the United States, at this time, can hardly be estimated, therefore the development and distribution should remain in the hands of the government. To turn this great resource over to private interests with almost monopolistic control could only in the end prove harmful to the best interests of the people.

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HIGHWAY ACCIDENTS

During the last year California has again enjoyed the un-avoidable position of having the largest number of deaths on our highway than any state in the country. Notwithstanding new safety devices, straightening bad curves, widening highways and building freeways, the killing goes on. Never have we witnessed such flagrant violation of traffic rules as are apparent on our highways. However, the greatest contributing factor to accidents is excessive speed and the use of liquor.

The driver who is fully intoxicated does not stay on the highway very long, but the one who has used just enough liquor to make him reckless becomes a menace and a potential killer for every highway user. Imposing nominal fines seems to have very little effect on some of these drivers. When the judges get the courage to send a person who is a repeater in evading traffic rules and is a menace on the highway, to jail for about four or five days, we believe this would be the greatest deterrent which could be adopted. There is only a nominal percentage of automobiles that are engaged in accidents and a good many of these are repeaters. Notwithstanding safety conference programs, teaching driving in many high schools, the accident ratio not only is not diminishing, but in some areas seems to be on the increase. It is only when we have an aroused public opinion against this needless killing that highway accidents and death resulting therefrom may be reduced.

The last Session of the Legislature adopted a law that when a driver's license is revoked due to an accident in which he could not make payment, or other causes, the license plates will be removed from the car. This should have the effect of stopping those drivers who drive even though their license has been revoked.

Another change in the law, where the liability requirements were formerly one, five and ten thousand dollars, they are now one, ten and twenty thousand.

During the last few months automobile accident frequency has shown a marked increase in California. We hope all of our Granges in this state will continue to support safety programs and help arouse public opinion against the inexcusable loss of life on highways of California.

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HOME ECONOMICS

Five years ago the California State Grange authorized our Home Economics Department to raise funds for a Women's Building at the State Grange Headquarters in Sacramento. During this period a substantial amount of money has been raised and as this report is being written the Women's Building is nearing completion.

This building is a fitting memorial to the outstanding contributions which the Home Economics Officers, Clubs and Committees have made to build up the Grange in this state. On Tuesday evening of this Convention, the building will be dedicated in the Civic Auditorium.

The District Conferences held by District Chairmen have had larger attendance than usual, indicating a continued interest and growth in our Home Economics movement. The services rendered and the contributions made are far too numerous to be included in this report.

The California State Grange gratefully acknowledges the services and achievements of our Home Economics Department.

Mrs. Mabel Glenn, State Home Economics Chairman, will report to this Convention later in the Session.

SOIL CONSERVATION

Along with water conservation and power development, soil conservation is one of the most important movements in this country. There seems to be a mistaken impression on the part of many people, mostly in urban areas, conservation of soil is merely a movement to make it possible for farmers to make more money. Every citizen should take an interest in the conservation of our soils, and become better acquainted with the many problems facing our country today. We have only to look at the hillsides in those areas where most of the soil has been washed off by erosions into the gullies to realize the damage of erosion. The hill land has practically little, or no production value. Unfortunately during the last year opposition has developed towards the formation of soil conservation district. It is apparent some of these opponents are advocating the entire soil conservation movement be turned over to the Extension Service. With due respect to this Service, such a transfer would prove disastrous to the whole conservation movement. Experts have estimated by 1970 the United States will need full production to furnish enough food for our own people and by the turn of the century the production of six million new acres of land must be found to supply our needs for food. If the estimates of these experts are true, it is evident that soil conservation is of great importance not only to the present, but the future welfare of the American people. We believe the present soil conservation laws should not be changed.

We are happy to say the California State Grange has always supported the formation of soil conservation districts to maintain and improve the fertility of our soils.

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SOCIAL SECURITY

During the past year much interest has been manifested, especially by the home owning type of farmer in Social Security which is now available to all self employed people operating farms. The principle difficulty in the administration, apparently is making out reports to the government by farmers who employ labor, especially where the payments to labor are small. This difficulty is not apparent where large operators employ bookkeepers.

During the last year several attempts have been made to amend the law by requiring employees must receive at least \$500 in salary before they can come under this Act. However, all of these amendments failed. For many years the National Grange supported Social Security for self employed farmers and we hope, at least all Grange members in the state, will thoroughly investigate the program, and wherever possible avail themselves of this protection. The Department in Sacramento which administers this program will be glad to send speakers, or help in any way possible to make information available to self employed farmers.

It is possible when Congress reconvenes next year attempts may again be made to amend the law, or even go so far as to repeal it; we are of the opinion, Social Security for self employed farmers will remain, therefore all farmers and interested people should avail themselves of this protection.

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JUVENILE GRANGES

We are happy to state the records show only two states in the country surpassed California in the number of new Juvenile Granges organized. Under the direction of Lydia N. Joiner, State Superintendent of Juvenile Granges, this movement has gained new strength and activity during the past year.

The Juvenile Grange exhibit during the California State Fair attracted wide attention. One of the exhibits, we have been told, was on television three times.

We are certain if all our members were aware of the value of the training given by a Juvenile Grange, many of our Subordinate Granges which do not have one at the present time would make every effort to organize. Organizing and supporting a Juvenile Grange is a very worthwhile undertaking for a Subordinate Grange. The training the children get, the ideals they learn are not only of value to them while they are Juvenile Grange members, but in many instances will play an important part in the foundation of their character in the years ahead. We therefore most respectfully suggest Subordinate Granges, where there are enough children, given attention to organize a Juvenile Grange.

Lydia N. Joiner, State Superintendent of Juvenile Granges, will report to this Convention.

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GRANGE—CALIFORNIA PHYSICIANS' SERVICE PROGRAM

During the year many of our members have availed themselves of the benefits offered by the Grange-C. P. program. This is one of the most liberal plans for medical care, hospitalization, and surgery of any similar plan now available in this state. Nearly all health policies contain a provision limiting the age of members to 65 years. The Grange-C. P. program has no age limit and the benefits are available to all members of the family.

We suggest if any of our members are unfortunate and require surgery, they secure the service of a surgeon who is a C. P. S. member, otherwise we cannot control the fee he may charge. All members should be careful if they find it necessary to use hospital care, to show their card when they enter the hospital, and also to the doctor, or surgeon who is attending them.

There is every prospect some of the benefits under the Grange-C. P. S. program will be extended — it is probable the 21 day hospital limit will be increased and also larger allowances will be allowed for medicines, and the time for recurrences of an illness should be greatly reduced.

We most respectfully suggest to all Grange members who are not now enrolled in C. P. S., they investigate the program. If we can materially increase the enrollment, there is a possibility the rates may be reduced, notwithstanding the increased costs in hospitals and doctors' fees.

A representative of C. P. S. will appear during this Convention and report to this State Grange Session. He will also be located in the foyer of the building where members may get information regarding the program.

NEEDED CHANGES IN THE NATIONAL FARM PROGRAM

The present national farm program originated during World War II and was designed to increase agricultural production in the country for war use. After the war attempts were made to adjust this program to peace time conditions. The first one made public was the so-called Brannan Plan which provided commodities should be allowed to flow into the market unrestricted and reach whatever level market conditions warranted and then if the price went lower than the parity base, the producer be paid the difference between the market and the parity level. This plan was approved by the California State Grange Conventions during three different Sessions. However, the Brannan plan was not adopted by Congress, but a 90 percent rigid parity was approved for so-called basic commodities.

Shortly after Secretary Benson became Secretary of Agriculture, he voluntarily reduced the parity level for butter from 90 to 75 per cent, thereby placing the dairy industry in a very unfavorable economic position. In July of this year, the so-called flexible parity law became operative which provides the basic commodities shall range from 82½ per cent to 90 per cent of parity. The apparent intent of the supporters of this legislation was that the flexible parity program would result in decreasing surpluses. A bill to raise parity to 90 per cent passed the House during the last Session of Congress, but failed to meet approval in the Senate. However, under the present farm program — dairy, poultry and livestock producers are in a very unfavorable economic position. Much of the feed for their poultry and livestock comes from the so-called basic commodities which are now at a considerably higher parity level.

The attempt by the government to take surpluses off the market by purchases which have cost the taxpayers of this country billions of dollars and by this method sustain farm prices has not proved successful. Consumers probably are the heaviest contributors to these taxes and their money is being used to buy farm commodities off the market, store them and make it necessary for them to buy them at a higher price in the market place. Surpluses will not be overcome by flexible parity. They will not be equitably reduced by acreage allotments, or some of the other methods which are now being

proposed. We believe it is imperative an all out congressional investigation be made to determine the relationship between farm income and consumers dollars. Such a Committee has been appointed by the House of Representatives with Congressman George D. Grant, of Alabama, Chairman. Congressman Harlan Hagen, of California, is a member of the Committee. One of the most dangerous aspects and trends of the present national farm program, if the law is not amended is it will eventually destroy the home owning farmers. The eventual elimination of the home owning farmers would be one of the most tragic occurrences in recent years.

We believe it would be very vaulable to the economy of this country, both so far as producers and consumers are concerned — as an experiment, if two universally used farm commodities, such as dairy and poultry, were allowed to flow into the market unrestricted and reach whatever level in the market place which the production of these commodities might bring about, and if the market level goes lower than parity, then pay the producers the difference between the parity level and the market price. We believe such a program would cost less than the one now in use and further it would make available to the consumers of this county, without interference by the government, the production of these two universally used commodities. We are certain it would result in not having millions of pounds of butter in storage, much of which deteriorated to the point where it cannot be used. At the present time there seems to be some indication the so-called Brannan Plan is being considered even by those who were its sharpest critics when it was first suggested.

We believe the following four points will bring about the desired changes in the farm program and be helpful both to producers and consumers:

1. That a limit be placed on the amount any one producer can be paid under the parity program. Such a limit will result in preventing large operations which are being carried on principally because the farm program offers a fixed price on some basic commodities.
2. Dairy, poultry and livestock be placed on the same parity level as feed grains, and other commodities, used by these industries.
3. Congress adopt a law which will make it possible for at least two universally used commodities to flow into the mar-

ket without restraint and let them reach whatever market price the production may bring about. If the market price is lower than the parity level, then pay the producers the difference between the parity level and the market price.

4. An all out investigation of the relationship of farm income to consumers dollars.

While these four points may not overcome all the difficulties that face American Agriculture, they should at least result in eliminating the present inexcusable inequalities in the farm program and at the same time make available to the consumers of the United States, the production of American Agriculture.

During the last year and a half, farm prices have shown a steady decline. We hope this will be a warning to the administration and Congress if steps are not taken to stop this downward trend in farm income, it may result in disrupting the economy of the United States.

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CONDITION OF THE GRANGE

During the fiscal year just closed, the California State Grange led all states in the number of new Subordinate Granges organized. The organization of these new Granges is due to the effective work, loyalty and service of our Deputies. To them should go the credit for this increase in new Granges. There is still some adjustment going on in some of our Granges due to people joining the Grange merely to get benefits from the Physicians' Service, and when they have been received, lose all interest. Notwithstanding this condition, many of those who have become members to get C. P. S. benefits, have developed into loyal and active Grange members.

A number of new Grange halls were dedicated during the year and several are now ready for dedication.

As this report is being written, it is apparent all Grange activities in this state stand at an all time high. The prestige of our State Grange in legislative matters and in other movements has steadily increased both in Sacramento and in Washington, D.C.

There are several areas, where a few years ago, it was inadvisable to organize Granges, but due to increased population in those communities, we find they would be very desirable fields for new Granges. When time permits, Granges should be organized in these areas. There is no substitute for increase in Grange membership.

We gratefully acknowledge not only the worthwhile effective work of our Deputy force, but likewise extend our thanks to those members throughout California who have given time and service to building up Grange membership.

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INSURANCE

The California State Grange Compensation Insurance policy has enjoyed a reasonably successful year. The policy will be able to pay a dividend of approximately 25 percent.

We hope more of our members who have employees will investigate this compensation insurance policy. If the enrollment can be increased, this would result in a larger premium income and would make it possible to pay a larger dividend.

There are indications, employers who have a payroll of \$500.00 or less, are not carrying compensation insurance. While this is not required, everyone should keep in mind notwithstanding the law does not make it necessary to carry compensation insurance, if an injury occurs, the liability would be just as great as if there was a larger payroll. We therefore suggest our members who have employees investigate the State Grange Compensation Insurance policy.

There are resolutions before this State Grange Convention regarding automobile insurance.

The Grange Fraternal Fire Insurance Association will present their report later in the Session.

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GRANGERS BUSINESS ORGNIZATION

During the past year the Grangers Business Organization, our buying cooperative, has made steady progress. For the first time in several years, Patrons have received a dividend

each quarter in cash, with an additional bonus dividend at the end of the fiscal year. Our cooperative is in the strongest financial condition in our history.

Many Business Agents have been appointed in Subordinate Granges to bring to the attention of our membership the commodities which the Business Organization handles and the savings which can be made by making purchases through the cooperative. This system should bring about a much closer relationship between the headquarters in Sacramento and our Grange members who are not now making purchases through the Grangers Business Organization either of petroleum products or commodities. We suggest they investigate the savings which can be made.

Nearly all petroleum plants are leased to a fertilizer company and are being kept in condition to make it possible to reopen the plants when the contract with the Tidewater Association Oil Company expires.

The Grangers Business Organization, organized in 1935, has become one of the important activities in the Grange program in this state.

Paige L. Harper, General Manager, will give a detailed report at this Convention.

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CALIFORNIA STATE FAIR, COUNTY, AND DISTRICT FAIRS

Grange Day at the California State Fair held on September 7th, was very successful. The Grange luncheon during the Fair attracted one of the largest crowds of any such meeting held during the Fair.

The Grange booth attracted much attention. This year the Juvenile exhibits, especially attracted wide interest. The Hospitality Booth which the California State Grange maintains during the Fair was under the direction of Mrs. Mabel Glenn, State Home Economic Chairman and Mrs. Lydia N. Joiner, State Superintendent of Juvenile Granges.

We are pleased to note, this year, in many of the County and District Fairs Pomona and Subordinate Granges were again among the principle exhibitors. We are of the opinion

some of these fairs would lose practically all attention and interest if the Grange did not have exhibits.

Many of our Granges won valuable prizes, but probably far more important than the prizes was the publicity which the Grange received through these exhibits.

During 1954 a movement was started in California to have the California State Fair and thirteen large fairs, eliminating nearly all of the county and district fairs now operating. The California State Grange opposed this change. It was defeated in the Legislature. We feel county, and district fairs, are of importance to the communities where they are held and are an important factor in building up interest and at the same time acquainting many people in the area, with the products grown.

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DEVELOPMENT OF CALIFORNIA'S WATER AND POWER RESOURCES

It is interesting to note many of our citizens have finally come to the conclusion one of the most important questions confronting California is the conservation of water and development of power. Many areas in the state, probably with the thought in mind that the underground supply was inexhaustible, have allowed their water rights to drift into private ownership and now find themselves in the position of having little, or no authority over the use of the water in their respective areas. In some localities every acre foot of water is in private ownership. In other words the very life blood of a whole community is controlled by private interests.

We have urged all areas in the state, where there are still some existing water rights that they immediately form districts and file on the water. It is reasonably certain counties of origin can no longer depend on the present law. Due to the ruling of the Attorney General that water contracted outside the area of origin and later became necessary to return the water for beneficial use, this could be done. It is understandable that no district, or community would contract for water under such conditions.

During the Session of Legislature bills were presented to completely repeal the county of origin law, but were not

adopted. In order to file on water rights it is necessary to form a district. This cannot be done by individuals. Water shortages are now appearing in many districts of California and no more time can be lost in getting a program for water conservation underway. The state is twenty years behind in this movement.

Along with water conservation must go power development. It is not possible, especially in large projects to charge the entire cost to water users. Electric energy must be developed and must amortize a considerable part of the water costs in order to make it possible for irrigationists to purchase the water at a price they can afford to pay. Most of the delays in water conservation and power development have been due to the attempts of private interests to gain control and take these projects over for profit.

During the last Session of the Legislature a bill was presented carrying an appropriation of twelve million five hundred thousand dollars, which would be available to smaller projects. It passed the Legislature, but was vetoed by the Governor. Congressman Engle introduced a bill to make five million dollars available for loans to smaller projects. It passed the House, but was stopped in the Senate.

In 1948, the Bureau of Reclamation developed a comprehensive plan for the conservation of water and power development for the entire Central Valleys Project area. This plan was filed with the Federal Government, and was not acted on by Congress. It is apparent the two issues which have brought about delays are the control of electric power facilities and the acreage limitation in the Reclamation law. The so-called partnership program in the development of these projects advocated by the Department of Interior is a betrayal of the best interest of the people who will be served. This plan is a one-sided arrangement mainly in the interest of the private utilities. Millions of dollars are spent on the construction of one project and it does not seem reasonable water impounded by taxpayers' money should then be turned over to a private utility to generate power to resell to the people at a profit.

For many years the California State Grange Convention have consistently adopted a program that where water is impounded by public funds it should be distributed as widely and equitably as possible, and where power can be generated it should be made a part of the federal project. We are of the

opinion if the State of California would not have developed plans for the construction of the Feather River, this project would be underway at the present time under the comprehensive plan submitted by the Bureau of Reclamation. Apparently one or two of the major issues in this project is, if built by the state it has no acreage limitation and a private utility will get all the power. The last Session of the Legislature refused to make an appropriation to start construction on the project, but did appropriate two hundred and fifty thousand dollars to employ an independent company of engineers to review the project to determine its feasibility. The high cost of water from this project is primarily due to two conditions. One, the project will not develop enough power for its own use, and two, the interest on the bonds. We are assuming all our people understand, if the one billion five hundred ninety-five million dollars which is to be expended, should be voted by the people of California, all the property of every citizen, even though they may never receive any benefits from the project would be liable for the payments of bonds.

We believe the State of California should withdraw from this project and an effort made to have it built by the Federal Government. This would make the bond issue unnecessary and the water could be delivered at about one-half the cost.

The Trinity Project was approved during the last Session of Congress and a one million dollar appropriation made to start construction. Delegates have been furnished with a summary of the water to be impounded, and the power to be generated. The power facilities on this project should be constructed by the Federal Government and thus make all the benefits which will be developed, available to our people.

Every stream with enough runoff should have a power plant and the whole water and power problem of California should be considered — not piece-meal, but as an over-all program. There are smaller projects in the State which can be constructed by local districts wherever feasible. Either the State of California, or the Federal Government should make loans available. In most of these there would be no development of power.

Time and space in this report do not permit a complete explanation of the water program for California. It is probable, even though he may be reluctant, the Governor of

California will call a special session of the Legislature immediately preceding the budget session of next year. If this is done, this session of the Legislature will face the largest and most vigorous water battle in the history of California.

It is probable the upper Colorado River development will be approved and there is also a possibility the United States Supreme Court might render a decision in favor of the Arizona project. If both of these projects are finally approved it would materially affect the water supply available for Southern California from the Colorado River.

We are confident before this session closes a program will be adopted which can be presented to the Legislature and will be in accord with the long standing program of the California State Grange of water and power development.

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MEMORIAM

The ever lengthening line of those who appear in our Memorial Service is proof that many of our Grange homes, since the last State Grange Session, have been saddened by the loss of a loved one. The services they rendered during their lifetime should prove an inspiration to those who are now carrying on the work of the Grange.

To those members where there is now a vacant chair, we extend our most sincere sympathy. It is appropriate during this Session we should commemorate the lives and service of our members who have passed away during the last year; therefore, on the third day of our Session, the California State Grange will set aside sufficient time for a Memorial Service for our departed members. This Service will be under the direction of the State Grange Chaplain Leta Littler.

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CONCLUSION

For many years the State of California has been plagued by the attempts of large corporations to control our State Government. About the turn of the century, the Southern Pacific railroad practically dominated California's state government. It was not until the election of the late Hiram W. Johnson in 1910 that this control was finally broken. Now

other groups, particularly the power companies are seeking to dominate and control much of the legislation which might affect them both in Sacramento and in Washington. It would be interesting if the contributions these corporations have made to political parties and individual office holders would be published. Both in Sacramento and Washington the lobbyists seldom, if ever, appear at a committee hearing. If they are in the room they remain silent.

The law of California provides a candidate for public office, after the election is over, must file a statement with the state setting forth the amount spent in his campaign. During the election of 1954 some of the statements filed by candidates were ridiculously low. It is safe to assume their expenses were ten times higher in some instances than the amount filed with the state. The Attorney General seems to be of the opinion the law must be amended before these deceptions of the people can be cured. We often wonder what ideas young people get, who are approaching the voting age, when they learn of these evasions of the law, and that they are carried on without practically any interference. If the laws at the present time do not contain the necessary provisions, they should be amended and any candidate for public office who files a statement for campaign expenses for a lower figure than was actually expended, should be brought to trial, and if found guilty, should be barred from holding the office for which he is a candidate. This insidious undermining of the government constitutes one of the greatest threats against our American institutions.

There has been much discussion recently regarding the trends of American economy. Some groups vigorously are declaring our economy is on a sound basis. However, it might be recalled the country today is moved to some extent in a similar course as the late twenties. The stock market is showing upsurges in price followed by a drastic drop. Farm prices are showing a steady decline. This condition almost parallels the late twenties. However, there are more protective laws now which can be used to prevent downward trends. The Administration and the Congress should take immediate steps to stop this downward trend of agricultural prices. If not stopped, might prove a serious threat to the welfare of all our people.

One of the greatest dangers that confronts the United States today is the indifference of our people to the duties of American citizenship. Everyone should remember indiffer-

ence of the people to the government nearly always leads to corruption in public affairs. We therefore hope not only all our Grange members, but people generally, will rededicate themselves to the duties of citizenship. Large interests who strike at our government from within, by the use of large sums of money, must be stopped.

One of the greatest safeguards of American Democracy is a home-owning population. We hope the time will never come in the United States when there is no room on the land for people to establish homes. We cannot allow large agricultural corporations to destroy community life where there are churches and schools and in their place have areas where no farm homes can be built, and where labor camps constitute the major part of the population. Throughout its history the Grange has been an active supporter of the family size farm. They constitute the greatest bulwark of American Democracy.

We are confident when the gavel falls and the 1955 State Grange Session passes into history, the State Grange Delegate Body will have adopted a program which will leave no doubt as to the stand the California State Grange takes on the important issues confronting not only this state, but the American people.

It is reasonably certain during the coming year history will be written and it will be determined whether, or not the great natural resources of this state will be conserved in the interest of all the people, or whether they will be turned over to private corporations for profit. Likewise Congress will face problems in the farm program. This is one of the most important issues before the country. There can be no compromise with principle. This great responsibility now rests with the Delegates of the 1955 California State Grange Convention.

Acting Master Barnes announced that the Master's report would be referred to the Committee on Division of Labor. Meeting called to order and work was resumed in the fourth degree.

Reports were given by each State Grange Officer.

OVERSEER'S REPORT

Worthy Master, officers and members of the California State Grange:

Once again it is my privilege to report to you as Overseer of the California State Grange.

Our chief purpose in meeting here is to reappraise our agricultural economic conditions and to make declarations of policy. If we are to profit fully from the opportunity which is ours, by reason of this occasion, we must be realistic, courageous and forthright in facing the real facts the best we may be able to observe the facts.

While it may be good for our ego, and for our very hearts and souls, to have our year's labor rewarded with a bumper crop, it seemingly causes a situation wherein a harvest that is really big, creates problems of serious consequences in terms of our ability to provide ourselves and members of our families with the full share of America's rising living standard which we think of as being fair and equitable. Agriculture at the moment can find no comfort in the fact that farmers everywhere are being squeezed between falling prices for the things they sell and rising prices for what they buy. Farm income in late '50 and '51 reached a level of 16 billion dollars.

A preliminary estimate indicates that the rate of farm income in mid 1955 is 10.5 billion dollars. This, despite the fact that the level of business and professional income has risen in that same period of time from 24.8 billion to 27.1 billion dollars. This convention must cope with a serious agricultural situation. We most certainly have an opportunity of great service to agriculture. Likewise we should continue on our course to maintain the family sized concept of farming and to support a program to develop the natural resources of the State in the interest of the people.

For the past twelve years the honor to serve, as your Overseer, has been mine. This has been rewarding in that it has provided an avenue to help meet our Grange goals, and to participate in the fraternal activities of the Grange. The friendship which this office has brought to me will always be a cherished memory. It is with this thought in mind that I like to remember my 12 years in office as your State Grange Overseer. Although this office does not have heavy duties, there are many rewarding aspects. I hope this coming

year will find your new Overseer able and willing to fill a need in this position.

With best wishes for the continual progress of our Grange organization and with sincere appreciation to all who have been so kind to me, for their assistance and loyalty during these past several years.

Fraternally submitted,
EDWIN KOSTER,
Overseer

LECTURER'S REPORT

Worthy Master, Officers of California State Grange and Patrons:

From the office of your State Lecturer, I bring you greetings and news of an exciting, eventful and well-accomplished Grange principles for this past year's work.

It was my great pleasure to attend The National Grange Convention at Spokane, Washington. It was quite a journey by bus, a new experience for me. The National Lecturer, Brother Holter, had called a State Lecturer's Conference. Lecturers from Oregon, Washington, Montana, Colorado, Idaho, and California were present. We were guests of the National Grange for luncheon. Concluding our conference, each State Lecturer gave a short talk on tape recording for future release. I told about our Loan Library Service which none of the other states had. A great satisfaction to me, that my State Lecturer's work compared favorably with other State Lecturer's programs. Sister Sehlmeier asked me to be a 7th Degree Court Lady in her place for the Friday degree work. This rounded out my participation in every degree ritualistic work of the Grange.

California Grange News has been most cooperative. My articles to the Grange paper have been duly sent and printed. I wish to thank Brother Hazelwood for cooperation in printing lists of available Library books, as well as a published list of available film which could be had by contacting the California Grange News Office.

The Library Loan Service has been very busy with the sending and returning of books, skits, one-act plays, special programs and all available types of program materials. This is a valuable service to all Lecturers and costs them \$1.00 per year. I have recently added 11 more one-act plays. Eighty-one Lecturers have used this service this year.

The Lecturer's Quarterly Bulletins of 10, 9, 8, 9 pages have been properly edited and mailed to each Subordinate and Pomona Lecturer, new Lecturers and Masters of Granges where no Lecturers were listed in the roster. Many State officers and outside state requests have been mailed.

The Quarterly Report Sheets were mailed in the same envelopes with the Quarterly Bulletins to each Lecturer and new Lecturers in the State. The reports sheets have been duly received and recorded. It has been most gratifying, the interest and complete cooperation of the Lecturers and I do appreciate their help. Many helpful suggestions from these reports of the different Lecturers and Grange members have been shared through the Lecturer's column in the Grange news. The many requests for new ideas, special and extra programs, and helpful Lecturer's problems have been mailed from this office. Many, many thanks to each who have written and so willingly cooperated. The Recognition Cards were issued to all Pomona Lecturers in January 1955. These are used as an Award for each Subordinate Lecturer who sent in 4 reports during the year. Thus both county and state office have records of the Lecturer's programs. These are presented to the Lecturers at the end of the year.

The National Achievement Awards from this state for 1954 were — Subordinate Granges and their Lecturers —

Blue Ribbon

Biggs Grange — Laeta Fortney
Joshua Tree — Agnes Bailey
Gridley Grange — Margaret Channon
Somona Valley — Florence Mathis
Cherry Valley — Minnie Burton

Red Ribbon Award

Mission Grange — Tula Foster
Martinez Grange — Lola Viera
Pine Creek Grange — Mary Marion

White Ribbon Award

Central Grange — Fern Konkel

Bear Creek — Phoebe Krumm

Red Ribbon Award for the Pomona Grange was Tehama County Grange No. 15 with Rachel Reed as Pomona Lecturer. These ribbons are awarded by the National Grange and are graded according to the number of points earned. All Subordinate and Pomona Lecturers are eligible.

A great deal of interest was taken by the Youth in the National Grange Conservation Essay Contest "Gaining Ground With Fertility." Many Agricultural Teachers, Vocational Directors, Extension leaders, and Grange Lecturers took a vital part in this project. There were 151 entries. First prize in the State was Malcolm Niles, Loleta, California. A check for \$50.00 and a beautiful certificate were awarded. His essay was selected as the winner in Region 5; which means he is qualified for one of the six all-expense trips to the National Grange Convention in November. Also his essay is being judged with others for first place. Second place was Linda Vittor, El Cajon, with \$25.00 and a beautiful certificate. Third place was won by Jim Bath, Santa Ana, with a beautiful certificate.

Many Lecturers reported Safety programs, in the home, on the farm, and safe driving. Many requests for materials and programs were sent from this office. Many Granges and Grangers are cooperating with Community problems and those of Civil Defense. These combined Grange and Community projects secure a very definite program for a successful Grange.

The California State Grange did not sponsor a Highway Safety contest this year. Shirley Creasy, Lecturer of Atascadero Grange sent an essay on Safety sponsored by the Insurance Company and The National Grange. Her essay has first place in the State.

The Pomona Honor Lecturers for 1954, whose Subordinate Lecturers sent in 100% reports are—

Glenn County Pomona Grange—Edythe Mapes as Pomona Lecturer.

Lake County—Bernice Rice—Pomona Lecturer

Riverside County—Ethel Rose—Pomona Lecturer

San Joaquin County—John Healey—Pomona Lecturer
Stanislaus County—Dorothy Cox—Pomona Lecturer
Your State Lecturer presented each with appropriate award.

Booster Night Program winners for 1954 were.—
Over 150 members—

First place—Myrtle Flentge—San Miguel for Atascadero Grange.

Second place—Gladys Balmer, Turlock—for Hilmer Grange.

Third place—Evelyn Cobb, White Plains—for Calaveras Grange.

Granges with less than 150 members

First—Lottie Stocker, Rohnerville—Rohnerville Grange.

Second—Elva Muir, Santa Rosa—Santa Rosa Grange.

Third—Gladys Tarbell, Crescent City—Redwood Grange.

All Subordinate and Pomona Lecturers are eligible to enter this work. Each Lecturer who sent in a Booster Night program was sent "Award of Merit" from your State Lecturer's office.

The newly installed Lecturers of the 4 new Granges have been sent a complete "Kit" of Lecturer's material as soon as their addresses reached me.

This past year your State Lecturer has participated in 12 Lecturer's conferences; several times guest speaker; two mortgage burning ceremonies; attended Open House of Fowler Grange for their New Grange Hall; Participated in Degree work; presented scrolls to newly installed Lecturers; presented "Award of Merit" to all Booster Night Program entries; suitable Pin awards to all 100% Counties Pomona Lecturers; Many times Guest Lecturer and presented programs; Attended National Grange Conference; made numerous Duty calls with very fine success.

Closing, I wish to thank each one for their cooperation, interest of Grangers as well as the State Officers for their helpful suggestions and materials sent to me. It certainly has

been a joy to serve and I appreciate all.

Fraternally submitted,
MARGARET H. AVERY,
Lecturer

STEWARD'S REPORT

Worthy Master, Officers and members of the California State Grange, Greetings:

Once again I am honored to serve as Steward of the California State Grange.

Another year has past and once again we assemble in this fine convention city.

The purpose in meeting at this convention, like those in the past years, has the opportunity to not only serve agriculture, but to build the grange by adopting a constructive and progressive program.

The implements of work are in order and may the deliberations of this 83rd convention be most pleasant and successful.

Fraternally submitted,
JOHN FREITAS, Steward

ASSISTANT STEWARD'S REPORT

To the Officers and members of The California Grange, Greetings:

As always it is a pleasure and I am highly honored to serve as your Assistant Steward. Fond memories come to me at this our eighty third convention, being held in this beautiful city of Sacramento. I remember so well the first time I served you in this office when we convened in this Auditorium here in Sacramento 14 years ago. My very best wishes to you for a pleasant and successful convention.

Very fraternally.
W. G. LaCAILLE,
Assistant Steward

CHAPLAIN'S REPORT

Worthy Master, Officers and members of the California State Grange, Greetings:

It is again my pleasure to greet you from the Chaplains station, and present to you a report from this office. This past year has been one of continuous activity in the Grange work. I have been called upon many times to perform duties appertaining to my office as Chaplain, and I deem it a privilege to work in His service of ministering to Others.

During the past year on special Religious Holidays, I have been guest speaker on several Radio Stations, and last Easter marked the seventh year for the Grange Easter Sunrise Service held on the grounds of the Phelan School in San Bernardino County where Grangers from many districts worship together on this occasion.

My work at the Sunshine Mission for Women and Girls in Los Angeles has been one of great satisfaction, and with the support of my Grange we have been able to do many things for others less fortunate than ourselves. This is the second year that I have been on the staff of speakers there, and conduct meetings twice a month in the chapel of the Mission. It has been an inspiration to greet you from the Chaplains corner in the Grange News, and I appreciate the letters and comments on the articles that I have written.

In all the work we do, as officers and members of this great organization - may we seek Divine wisdom and guidance, especially as we formulate plans for the coming Grange year in this Convention. In our deliberations let us rely upon the Principles of Truth, and stand united in the cause to promote peace and harmony within ourselves, and with each other.

Fraternally submitted,
LETA M. LITTLER, Chaplain

TREASURER'S REPORT

Worthy Master, Officers and Members of the California State Grange, Greetings:

Once again we meet in annual session and from the Treasurer's office I present to you the financial report of the California State Grange for the fiscal year, ending September 30, 1955.

GENERAL FUND

Receipts

Bank Balance, September 30, 1954		\$42,648.78
Received from Secretary:		
December 10, 1954	\$15,000.00	
January 26, 1955	18,000.00	
June 16, 1955	21,670.00	
August 17, 1955	15,000.00	
September 6, 1955	15,650.00	
September 30, 1955	5,584.00	
Total Receipts		\$133,552.78

Disbursements

As per Secretary's warrants	\$68,578.69	
Cash on hand, September 30, 1955		\$64,974.09

EXTENSION FUND

Receipts

Bank Balance, September 30, 1954		\$18,106.54
Received from Secretary:		
June 16, 1955	\$4,900.00	
September 30, 1955	1,569.24	
Total Receipts		\$24,575.78

Disbursements

As per Secretary's warrants	\$5,345.63	
Total Assets, September 30, 1955		\$19,230.15

EDUCATIONAL FUND

Receipts

Bank Balance, September 30, 1954		\$3,609.61
Interest Dec. 31, 1954 (Pass Book) \$	33.44	
Interest June 30, 1955 (Pass Book)	21.18	
Received from Secretary:		
August 17, 1955	\$1,623.65	
September 30, 1955	709.57	
Total Receipts		\$5,997.45

Disbursements

Students Loan Notes:		
October 5, 1954	\$130.00	
January 4, 1955	350.00	
January 4, 1955	200.00	
February 4, 1955	400.00	
March 1, 1955	500.00	
May 16, 1955	295.00	
July 14, 1955	200.00	
August 26, 1955	600.00	
September 22, 1955	300.00	
Total		\$2,975.00
Bank Balance, September 30, 1955		3,022.45
Nine Loans Outstanding		3,552.48
Total Assets, September 30, 1955		\$9,549.93

BUILDING FUND

Receipts

Bank Balance, September 30, 1954		\$11,506.97
Interest, Dec. 31, 1954 (Pass Book) \$	113.80	
Interest, June 30, 1955 (Pass Book)	136.50	
Received from Secretary:		
December 10, 1954	\$2,379.60	
September 30, 1955	6.00	
Total Receipts		\$14,142.87

Disbursements

September 8, 1955	\$ 610.00	
September 8, 1955	8,797.64	
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Total Disbursements		\$9,407.64
Bank Balance, September 30, 1955		\$4,735.23

GENERAL FUND ON INTEREST

Bank Balance, September 30, 1954		\$4,486.44
Interest, Dec. 31, 1954 (Pass Book)	\$44.86	
Interest, June 30, 1955 (Pass Book)	45.31	
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Bank Balance, September 30, 1955		\$4,576.61

YOUTH FUND

Receipts

Received from Secretary:		
September 30, 1955		\$74.31
	Fraternally Submitted,	
	MARSHALL DOPKINS,	
	Treasurer	

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Worthy Master, Officers and Members of the California State Grange Greetings:

Again we are privileged to hold our annual session in the beautiful Capital City of Sacramento. This time it is the 83rd Anniversary of our most respected farm organization.

Eighty three years of service in guarding the interest and advancing the position of farm people everywhere! How proud and honored we should feel that we are members of such a great organization and that we have had a part in its activities and achievements!

Let us remember to stand firm by the original principles on which our organization was founded and be willing to

shoulder our responsibilities that we may go forward together, bringing honor to the order we love, so that in years to come pride and joy will fill the hearts of those who follow in our footsteps. It has been both a privilege and pleasure to serve as your secretary.

NEW GRANGES

During the fiscal year closing September 30th five new Subordinate Granges were organized. On September 30, 1954, Soquel Grange was organized by District Deputy Russell Spain — this Grange was numbered in the gains in California last year. March 23rd Los Gatos Grange was organized by A. J. Emery with a charter list of 34.

District Deputy Bert Pasco organized Whitethorn Grange, Humboldt County, with 39 charter members July 14th.

Allen Lindebeck, District Deputy of Napa County, organized Welcome Grange, July 21st with 64 charter members.

State Grange Representative M. M. Kibler organized two Granges in San Mateo County — Pescadero Grange, July 25th with 49 charter members. Half Moon Bay Grange, July 2nd with 50 charter members.

Four Juvenile Granges resumed meetings during the year and eight new organizations were completed. District Deputy S. M. Rispalje of Riverside County organized Norco Juvenile Grange October 2nd with 17 charter members.

February 4th Deputy George H. Klare of El Dorado County organized Hangtown Juvenile Grange with 14 charter members and Marshall Juvenile on July 17th with 17 members.

Bert E. Pasco again was successful in organizing Redwood Juvenile with 49 charter members on February 16th.

Rubie Alberti, Deputy of San Luis Obispo County gathered the children of Morro Bay together and organized their Juvenile Grange with 28 charter members on March 4th.

March 12th Deputy Ernest Russell of Butte County completed Palermo Juvenile Grange with 23 members.

Robert Wardlow of Orange County was successful in organizing Garden Grove Juvenile Grange with 24 charter members on May 19th.

San Dimas Juvenile Grange was organized by Deputy Herbert Marshall, June 28th with 18 charter members.

HONOR GRANGES

Only six Subordinate Granges applied for Honor Grange Awards during the past year. Norco Grange, Riverside County received the award. Meadow Vista Grange, Placer County, applied for the first time — Pine Creek, Tehama County also qualified for the first year award. Sebastopol and Costa Mesa Granges qualified for the third year award. Sonoma Valley Grange has qualified for seven consecutive years.

Meadow Vista Juvenile Grange applied for and received their first year certificate.

We feel certain that many Granges in the state qualify for this honor but fail to make application. There are only five qualifications to meet. Write the State Secretary for details.

HALL DEDICATIONS

During the year three Granges dedicated fine new halls. Each Grange received the usual gift of \$50.00 from the State Grange. They are Clear Lake Grange, Lake County; Hilmar Grange, Merced County and Maywood Grange, Tehama County. According to the records this makes 174 Granges that have dedicated halls with appropriate ceremony.

MEMBERSHIP

As of June 30th Juvenile Grange membership reported to the National Grange was 1,008 with 32 Granges reporting. Pomona Grange membership was 12,077 with Sonoma County Pomona Grange holding a substantial lead for first place and Stanislaus County Pomona Grange holding second place.

The report to the National Grange as of June 30th gave 44,894 members with seven Subordinate Granges delinquent. Since that time five of these Granges have reported making a paid-up membership of 45,261. There are 48 Golden Sheaf members being reported to this office.

CERTIFICATES OF AWARD

Shortly after the close of the Subordinate Grange year Certificates of Award were sent to secretaries qualifying for this special award by the faithful performance of their du-

ties. These secretaries sent prompt and efficient reports for the year 1954. These awards will be issued again at the close of the year and we trust more secretaries will qualify for this honor than in previous years.

SILVER STAR CERTIFICATES

During the year 63 Silver Star Certificates were issued from this office. To qualify for this Certificate a member must have had continuous membership in the Grange for twenty-five years. There is a beautiful Silver Star pin for twenty-five year members and the price is within the reach of everyone. Certificates were issued to the following:

Olinto Succetti and A. Thomas McBride, Antelope Grange.
Sara Buffum, Alberta DeVose, Abbie Cooper, Mae York, Fay Loosley, F. W. Loosley, Emma Kahler, Elin A. Lanigar, Alta M. Goodfellow, Katherine McQueen, Eulalie Trussell, Robert Trussell, Addie Ramsey and Masten Ramsey, Johnstonville Grange.

Nita E. Wells, Arnold L. Wells, Ada Wells and George Wells, Prunedale Grange.

Grace Cox, Stacy Cox, Violet Rohrer, W. W. Snow, Clara Iverson, Lucy and Evart McDaniel, Regina W. Reeves, Edna and Ted Linville, Sebastopol Grange.

Clara Brown, William D. Day, Granville Farwell, Henry W. Lanigar, Edna Johnston, Fred Johnston, Dora Woodstock and Lelia Galeppi, Standish Grange.

Eleanor Hill, Alice May Lattin, Frank Calkins, Charles Lane, Opal and William H. Plaetke; Montgomery Grange.

Bernice S. Wiggins and W. C. Wiggins; Silverado Grange.
Ida F. Skow and Edith Hinkle; San Jose Grange.
Lena M. Jones and Manuel Tait; Tulare Grange.
Mr. and Mrs. Leland Frame; Gilroy Grange.
Esther and G. A. Blickenstaff; Janesville Grange.
Frank E. English; Kerman Grange.

Frank Lafranconi, Sr., and Muriel Bush Horgan; Bennett Valley Grange.

Mrs. Faye Landon and William Vereschagin; Orland Grange.

Mattie Lucas, Jesse Lucas and Clara Hopkins; Sunnyvale Grange.

Elbert Lee Lane; Redwood Valley Grange.

GOLDEN SHEAF CERTIFICATES

The California State Grange and the National Grange have been pleased to honor Ada Rider Kelly, Ranchito Grange — Fred H. Clark and John Frederick Bruggeman, Bennett Valley Grange with Golden Sheaf Certificates and appropriate ceremonies for their 50 years of continuous service to the Order. We wish them many more pleasant years in the Grange.

HONOR AWARD

Again this office placed on the Honor Roll of the National Grange and your State Secretary received a special award and a complimentary letter of recognition from the National Secretary, Harry A. Caton.

Regarding the following financial statement I wish to advise that this report, as in previous years, has been substantiated by an Auditor.

STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS GENERAL FUND

For Fiscal Period October 1, 1954 to September 30, 1955
CASH BALANCE OCTOBER 1, 1954 \$ 42,648.78
RECEIPTS:

Fees and Dues	\$61,500.01
GBO — Payment on Note	20,000.00
Payroll Taxes Withheld	2,114.35
5th and 6th Degree Candidates	1,049.50
Telephone	994.13
Interest	850.00
Luncheon Ticket Sales	499.30
National Grange Reorganization Fund	375.00
Juvenile Award	59.55
Refunds	9.25
Sale of Supplies	3,389.91
Bible & Memorial Fund	63.00

TOTAL RECEIPTS

90,904.00

\$133,552.78

DISBURSEMENTS:

National Grange Per Capita:	
Subordinate Grange	\$10,792.12
Juvenile Grange	42.50
	<u>\$10,834.62</u>

Supplies		5,852.31
Gasoline and Oil		941.08
Other Auto Expense		336.64
Meals, Per Diem, Travel		
Hotels, Etc.		3,880.60
Hall Dedications		150.00
Office Supplies and Expense		354.62
Printing		468.89
Telephone		1,708.01
Postage		568.75
Insurance		285.29
Payroll Taxes		5,746.46
Advertising		354.48
National - 6th Degree Candidates		487.50
Grange Day Luncheon - State Fair		937.50
California Grange News. 25c per year		
28,132 paid up members		7,033.00
Salaries (less taxes)		15,227.50
Miscellaneous Expense		69.20
Convention Expenses:		
Supplies	\$	318.71
Prizes		160.00
Milage Allowances	6,810.09	
Fruits		222.73
Memorial and Floral		
Tributes	154.17	
Hotel Expense	84.60	
Other Convention		
Expenses	209.34	7,959.64

Petty Cash	100.00
Calif. Water & Power User Ass'n.	500.00
Purchase of Dictating Machine	414.22
Loan to California Grange News	3,500.00
Taxes	528.38
Legal & Accounting	330.00

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS

68,578.69

CASH BALANCE SEPTEMBER 30, 1955

\$64,974.09

Accounts Receivable from Grangers Business Organization - 1 car	\$900.00
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STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS
GENERAL FUND ON INTEREST

For Fiscal Period October 1, 1954 to September 30, 1955
CASH BALANCE OCTOBER 1, 1955 \$4,486.44

RECEIPTS:

Interest on Savings Accounts \$90.17

TOTAL RECEIPTS 90.17

\$4,576.61

DISBURSEMENTS:

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CASH BALANCE SEPTEMBER 30, 1955

\$4,576.61

STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS
EXTENSION FUND

For Fiscal Period October 1, 1954 to September 30, 1955
CASH BALANCE OCTOBER 1, 1954 \$18,106.54

RECEIPTS:

California Physicians Service \$3,600.00

National Grange - Organization

Income 330.00

Farmers Underwriters Association 2,539.24

TOTAL RECEIPTS 6,469.24

\$24,575.78

DISBURSEMENTS:

Organization Expense \$ 345.25

Deputys' Travel & Expense 1,331.19

Allowances

M. M. Kibler's Travel & Expense 2,474.23

Allowances 1,194.96

Deputy Conference

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS 5,345.63

CASH BALANCE SEPTEMBER 30, 1955

\$19,230.15

STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS EDUCATION FUND

For Fiscal Period October 1, 1954 to September 30, 1955

CASH BALANCE OCTOBER 1, 1954 \$3,609.61

RECEIPTS:

Contributions	\$ 501.57
Loans Repaid	1,599.52
Interest on Loans	232.13
Interest on Savings Account	54.62

TOTAL RECEIPTS	2,387.84
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	\$5,997.45
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DISBURSEMENTS — 9 LOANS MADE

\$130.00	\$350.00	\$400.00
500.00	200.00	295.00
200.00	600.00	300.00

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	2,975.00
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CASH BALANCE SEPTEMBER 30, 1955	\$3,022.45
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Nine Loans Outstanding	3,552.48
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Total Assets as of September 30, 1955.	\$9,549.93
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STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS BUILDING FUND

For Fiscal Period October 1, 1954 to September 30, 1955

CASH BALANCE OCTOBER 1, 1954 \$11,506.97

RECEIPTS:

Contributions	\$2,325.05
Juvenile Contributions	60.55
Interest on Savings Account	250.30

TOTAL RECEIPTS	2,635.90
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	\$14,142.87
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DISBURSEMENTS:

Sketch and Plans for	
New Building	\$ 610.00
Labor and Material to Date	8,797.64

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	9,407.64
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CASH BALANCE SEPTEMBER 30, 1955	\$4,735.23
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**STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS
YOUTH FUND**

For Fiscal Period October 1, 1954 to September 30, 1955	
CASH BALANCE OCTOBER 1, 1954	\$ -0-
RECEIPTS:	
Contributions from Grangers	74.31
DISBURSEMENTS:	
	-0-
CASH BALANCE SEPTEMBER 30, 1955	<hr/> \$74.31

Fraternally submitted,
CELIA M. HARDING,
Secretary

GATE KEEPER'S REPORT

Worthy Master, State Officers, Delegates and Grangers, Greeting:

When I was bestowed the office of State Gatekeeper I knew that I was beginning another step in Grange work. Looking back, I realize now that I really had no idea how time consuming it could be. But I do not regret one hour of time and labor that have gone into what I think is the most rewarding and stimulating experience any Granger can have—meeting and working with Grangers who are tirelessly and enthusiastically serving our great order.

It has been a great and treasured privilege to serve you as State Gatekeeper and I am deeply grateful to those Granges and Grangers for the wise counsel, understanding and support they have given to me in all my efforts.

This convention, the 83rd, now has gone into action. It is now the privilege and duty of each loyal Delegate to promote the Grange program at all times and thereby

“Serve Grange” “Live Grange”.

Fraternally submitted
WM. J. DAVIS,
Gate Keeper

FLORA'S REPORT

Worthy Master, Officers and members of the California State Grange:

I bring you greetings as Flora. This is my second convention and it has been my aim to bring more co-operation throughout the state by bringing a sister from each county to participate in the Flora Drill.

The station of Flora, Goddess of Flowers, is a lovely one and I have enjoyed the office.

I extend my best wishes for a pleasant session and wish to thank all those who have assisted me. I also thank those who have honored me as their State Grange Flora.

Fraternally,
EFFIE SPENCER,
Flora

LADY ASSISTANT STEWARD'S REPORT

To the Officers and Members of the California State Grange,

I wish to extend to you a hearty welcome to our Capital City.

We have been enjoying a beautiful fall season here and hope it continues for our convention.

For me this convention is being marred by the absence of our State Ceres, Sister Eleanor Lewis whom I have thoroughly enjoyed as a room-mate and companion at the past several conventions.

It was our pleasure to visit Oregon State Grange in June together for several days.

My first visit to another State Grange and we enjoyed it very much. Naturally I observed the floor work with keen interest and loved every bit of it. They are schooled and drilled regularly in their floor work so it was well done and most impressive.

I was present for their reception and then on Tuesday night witnessed the Degree work, first the third and fourth

and also the fifth; all done by quite young Grangers.

Wednesday night we saw the Oregon State Officers confer the sixth Degree — doing a very nice job. Preceding this in the afternoon we saw their memorial service.

We felt we had been most cordially received by their Officers and Members and had a very delightful time.

One thing they did give us too warm a reception, for to my surprise Oregon can get very warm.

"Thanks again" for the privilege of serving as your Lady Assistant Steward.

Best wishes for this 83rd session, may it prove successful and most enjoyable.

Fraternally Submitted
MARGARET ROBINSON,
Lady Assistant Steward

PIANIST'S REPORT

Worthy Master, Officers and Members of the California State Grange, Greetings:

Once again we meet to do what we can for promoting the welfare of humanity.

It is my job to supply music for you of which I really enjoy.

Each Grange should have music of some sort, even if it be a harmonica.

It is surprising how easy it is to learn to play a few tunes, don't worry as to mistakes, because Grangers are understanding and they realize you are doing what you can to help your meetings.

I wish to thank Ruth Quinn of Fonbloom Grange, San Bernardino County, for playing during the seating of the State Officers.

It has been a pleasure for me to serve as your Pianist.
I am sorry I could not attend the different celebrations you

invited me to, on account of my work.

I intend playing, when I can, thru this session.
Fraternally submitted
BILL CAMPBELL
Pianist

It was moved, seconded and carried that the report of the Executive Committee be omitted and printed in the journal.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

San Jose, California
October 23, 1954

The special Executive Committee meeting of the California State Grange was called to order by State Master George Sehlmeier at 9:30 A.M. All members were present — Harry Barnes, Elmer Frieberg, and William Pisenti. The Treasurer, Marshall Dopkins, was also present.

The special meeting was called for the purpose of approving the last day's session of the convention. After the reading of the journal by the secretary, Harry Barnes moved, seconded by Elmer Frieberg, that the minutes be approved as read. Motion carried.

After considering the request of the State Grange Lecturer to attend the National Grange Lecturer's conference in Spokane, Washington, during the National Grange convention, Elmer Frieberg moved, seconded by William Pisenti, that the State Grange Lecturer be authorized to attend — the State Grange to allow bus fare, meals and hotel. Motion carried.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

California State Grange Office
January 7, 1955

The Executive Committee meeting of the California State Grange, with all members present, was called to order at 8:30 A.M.

Brother Frieburg made a motion, seconded by Brother Barnes, Mr. Pfanner be employed up to March 31st, as Auditor for the Grange News. Motion carried.

Brother Barnes moved, seconded by Brother Frieburg, the Grange News enter into a contract with the Capital Printing Company for the printing, with color included, on figures submitted. Motion carried.

Brother Barnes moved, seconded by Brother Pisenti, the Grange News be authorized to pay the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company bill of \$45.00 in San Jose, for the special Convention edition telephone. Motion carried.

The account of William Ayres was reviewed and action was deferred until Mr. Ayres talks to Mr. Pfanner, the Grange News Auditor.

Brother Barnes made a motion, seconded by Brother Frieburg, the salary of Mrs. Esther Marsh, Grange News book-keeper, be increased \$10.00 per month; to be retroactive as of January 1st. Motion carried.

Brother Frieburg made a motion, seconded by Brother Barnes, the salary of Craig Hazlewood, Managing Editor of the Grange News, be increased \$100.00 per month, making his guaranteed salary \$500.00 per month, and in addition thereto, 25% of the earnings of the paper. Motion carried.

Brother Barnes moved, seconded by Brother Pisenti, the request of Soquel Grange to borrow \$7,000.00 on their hall be approved. Motion carried.

Brother Frieburg made a motion, seconded by Brother Barnes, if the National Grange approves the usual \$80.00 fee, then the State Grange will allow \$20.00 more, making a sum of \$100.00 for organizing new Granges, plus per diem and mileage. Motion carried.

Brother Frieburg made a motion, seconded by Brother Pisenti, a loan of \$400.00 from the Student Loan Fund for Harold A. Lipska, be approved. Motion carried.

Brother Barnes made a motion, seconded by Brother Frieburg, California State Grange contribute \$250.00 to the California Water and Power Users Association Motion carried.

Brother Barnes made a motion, seconded by Brother Frie-

burg, the State Secretary be allowed a petty cash fund of \$100.00. This account to be reported at the end of each quarter, and the original amount to be replaced at this time. Motion carried.

Brother Barnes made a motion, seconded by Brother Pisenti, the State Grange employ Terry L. Clark, as Assistant to the State Master, to fill the position vacated by Allen Merriam, at a starting salary of \$450.00. Motion carried.

Brother Frieburg moved, seconded by Brother Pisenti, if there is danger of the Educational Fund reaching too low a level, and there are no legal objections, \$2,000.00 be transferred from the Extension Fund to the Education Fund. Motion carried.

Brother Barnes moved, seconded by Brother Frieburg, the proposed installation for the California Youth Committee be approved, with the following changes: In the title, the words "by Grange" be stricken and the words, "by committees" be substituted, and No. 6 be stricken from the ceremony. In No. 5, the words, "California State Grange Youth Director" should be added after the period. Motion carried.

Brother Barnes made a motion, seconded by Brother Frieburg, the State Master be authorized to make trips to Washington, D.C. whenever he finds necessary. Motion carried.

Brother Barnes made a motion, seconded by Brother Frieburg, that due to the irregularities in the election of the Grange Credit Union last year, the Committee previously appointed, be continued for 1955, until a definite program can be adopted by the California State Grange. Motion carried.

Brother Pisenti made a motion, seconded by Brother Frieburg, the salary of Mrs. Zelma Eads, be increased \$25.00 per month, retroactive to January 1st. Motion carried.

Brother Frieburg made a motion, seconded by Brother Pisenti, the salary of Marshall Dopkins, Treasurer, be raised from \$200 to \$300 per year, retroactive of January 1st. Motion carried.

Brithier Frieburg moved, seconded by Brother Pisenti, the State Secretary's salary be increased from \$240.00 to \$275.00 per month. Motion lost.

Brother Frieburg moved, seconded by Brother Pisenti,

Brother Barnes be authorized to endorse all checks sent to the Youth Fund, which are made payable to the California State Grange, or the Executive Committee. Motion carried.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:00 P.M.

ZELMA EADS

California State Grange Office
February 4, 1955

A special meeting of the Executive Committee of the California State Grange was called to order at 2:00 P.M. All members present.

Mr. Bagley appeared before the Executive Committee to discuss publishing the California Grange News. He stated, his Company could furnish colored print which the public is now demanding. Mr. Bagley also stated, he could publish the paper for about \$100.00 per month less that what it is now costing.

Mr. and Mrs. Tibbetts appeared before the Committee, stating they would like to have the printing of the Grange News continued in Woodland. They stated however, they do not have a press to print color. Mr. Tibbetts said, the cost of printing the paper would be the same as the present price, but if they did farm out the paper for color, it would cost \$25.00 per page.

Mr. Steinberger appeared before the Committee to apply for the position of Assistant to the State Master. He stated, he has been in newspaper and radio work for many years, which he felt would be of benefit to him in this position.

Craig Hazelwood appeared before the Committee. He presented a chart comparing the present printing of the paper, and the advantages in convenience, cost and appearance of the paper, if a change was made.

Mr. Kirtley MacBride appeared before the Committee to apply for the position as Assistant to the State Master. The Committee were of the opinion, although he was quite capable, due to his present radio position, he could not devote enough time to working for the State Master.

Mr. Botz appeared before the Committee to apply for the

position as Assistant to the State Master.

Mr. Pfanner and the Managing Editor appeared before the Committee and discussed the Grange News finances. Mr. Pfanner suggested the California State Grange loan \$3,500 to the Grange news, due to the fact \$8,000 had to be written off the books a short while back, due to the inefficient manner in which the advertising department had been handled prior to July 11, 1954.

Brother Barnes made a motion, seconded by Brother Frieberg, the California State Grange loan \$3,500 to the California Grange News. Motion carried.

Brother Frieberg moved, seconded by Brother Pisenti, the request of Ardith Wright for a \$500.00 loan from the State Grange Student Loan Fund be approved. Motion carried.

The Committee reviewed the publication of the Grange News and were unanimous in their opinion, the Tibbets should be given notice, the printing of the paper would be changed. However, they felt they should give them sufficient time to make this adjustment, therefore the last issue to be printed in Woodland, would be the March 20th, issue.

Brother Pisenti made a motion, seconded by Brother Barnes, Mr. Steinberger be employed as Assistant to the State Master, with the stipulation, the State Master again interview him to learn if he would meet all the requirements of the position. Motion carried.

Brother Barnes made a motion, seconded by Brother Pisenti, the surviving members of McCann Grange be allowed to give the \$172.82 remaining in the treasury, to the March of Dimes. Motion carried.

ZELMA EADS

California State Grange
March 25, 1955

The Executive Committee meeting of the California State Grange, with all members present, was called to order. The minutes of the February 4th meeting were read and approved.

On January 7, 1955 the California State Grange Executive Committee, by unanimous vote, voted to transfer the printing of the California Grange News from Woodland to Sacramento. Shortly after the meeting Brother Frieburg and Brother Pisenti requested the matter be given further consideration. On February 4th, the question was again considered and the original action was not changed, thereupon the record of Yolo County was advised the printing of the paper would be transferred to Sacramento following the March 20th issue. After notice had been given both Brother Frieburg and Brother Pisenti again requested the matter be delayed. During the meeting of the Committee on March 25th, Brother Frieburg made a motion, seconded by Brother Pisenti, the former action be reconsidered. Due to the fact the Committee had twice approved the change and notice had been given to both interested parties the paper would be transferred, and the Capital Printing Company had spent considerable funds in anticipation of printing the Grange News, the State Master requested a roll call vote on Brother Frieburg's motion to reconsider transfer of the Grange News Printing from Woodland to Sacramento. The vote was as follows:

Brother Barnes — no
Brother Frieburg — yes
Brother Pisenti — yes
Brother Schlmeyer — no

Motion was declared lost.

The accounts of William A. Ayres and Bill Burlingame were discussed. No action taken.

Brother Barnes made a motion, seconded by Brother Frieburg, the bid received from the Sacramento County Pomona H.E.C. to serve the Grange Day Luncheon on Wednesday, September 7, 1955, at the California State Fair be approved. Motion carried.

The KFBK request to have a paid broadcast sponsored by the California State Grange was read. The Committee were of the opinion representatives of KFBK should appear before the Committee in order to present additional information.

Brother Frieburg made a motion, seconded by Brother Pisenti, Brother Barnes be authorized and instructed to interview hotels and make arrangements for the Headquarters Hotel Convention in 1955. Motion Carried.

Mr. Lebeck appeared before the Committee and demonstrated the Pierce Magnetic Belt Dictation Machine. The Committee were of the opinion this machine would be of great assistance to the State Master in taking care of correspondence.

Ray Rogers and Mr. McCrum, representatives of KFBK appeared before the Committee and told of the advantages of the Grange having a program on their station. They also quoted figures.

Brother Frieburg made a motion, seconded by Brother Barnes, due to the fact that KFBK broadcast would cost the Grange about \$15,000.00 per year and would not cover the entire state, the proposal be given further consideration before action is taken. Motion carried.

Brother Barnes moved, seconded by Brother Frieburg, the State Grange purchase the Pierce Magnetic Belt Dictation Machine. Motion carried.

Brother Barnes moved, seconded by Brother Pisenti, the suggested program to pay \$1.00 for each new member to the Home Economics Club from the extension fund, to be accredited to the Home Economics Womens' Building be approved. Motion carried.

The California Water and Power Users Association was discussed by the State Master. Brother Pisenti moved, seconded by Brother Frieburg, the California State Grange contribute another \$250.00 to this Association, with the provision the other organizations also contribute. Motion carried.

Brother Pisenti made a motion, seconded by Brother Frieburg, the resolution received from Riverside County Pomona Grange No. 31, opposing legislation proposed by Riverside County Grand Juries which would require grand juries to make a written report of recommendations on conduct of county officials and administration of county government well in advance of the end of the calendar year be approved. Motion carried.

Brother Barnes made a motion, seconded by brother Pisenti, the resolution received from Fresno County Pomona Grange No. 24, regarding the Teakettle Creek Project, be approved with the exception, the "Be it further resolved" paragraph be deleted from the resolution. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned.

ZELMA EADS

California State Grange
June 3, 1955

The Executive Committee meeting of the California State Grange, with all members present, was called to order at 10:00 A.M. The minutes of the March 25, 1955, meeting were read and approved.

Sister Mabel Glenn, State Home Economics Chairman, appeared before the Committee to discuss plans for the Womens' Building, and to inform the Committee the women of the Home Economics Clubs were desirous of having the building completed for the coming State Grange Convention.

Mr. Russell, representing the Hopkinson Company, appeared and reviewed the plans for the Womens' Building. The Committee were of the opinion the Auditorium should be enlarged to 32 ft. and a storeroom added.

Brother Barnes made the motion, seconded by Brother Frieburg, the General Floor Plan with the two above suggested changes, be approved, and Mr. Russell should be advised of this and requested to present a bid at an early date. Motion carried.

Brother Pisenti made a motion, seconded by Brother Frieburg, the California State Grange, transfer from the General Fund, twenty-five cents for each Grange News subscription, to the California Grange News, in accord with the requirements of the Federal Government. Motion carried.

Brother Barnes made a motion, seconded by Brother Frieburg, the Sacramento County Pomona Home Economics Club be allowed to use their own judgment as to the luncheon served Grange Day at the 1955 California State Fair. Motion carried.

Brother Frieburg made a motion, seconded by Brother Pisenti, the selection of Brother Barnes naming the Sacramento Hotel as the headquarters hotel for the 1955 State Grange Convention be confirmed. Motion carried.

Brother Barnes made a motion, seconded by Brother Frieburg, the State Grange allow the expenses of the Agricultural Study Committee, which was authorized by the last State Grange Convention. Motion carried.

Mr. Pfanner appeared before the Committee and reviewed the Grange News account. Mr. Sehlmeier asked Mr. Pfanner if it was not true on June 1, 1955, when a former Grange News employee visited Mr. Sehlmeier's office in Mr. Pfanner's presence, a statement was obtained from this employee to the effect, when working for the Grange News she was instructed by Mr. Ayres to not keep any record of the classified section. Mr. Pfanner said, this was true.

Mr. William A. Ayres appeared before the Committee and stated he felt he had \$1,200 still owing him on Commissions. Mr. Pfanner informed Mr. Ayres he could not understand why Mr. Ayres should feel the Grange News owed him any further commissions after visiting his office and reviewing the books disclosing commissions had been paid to him on business which should not have been paid, and that he, the Auditor, had stopped the auditing when they reached a zero figure, but felt if they had gone on there would have been quite a deficit showing on the books.

Mr. Ayres requested a statement be sent to him showing the figures. Mr. Pfanner said such a statement would be sent.

Brother Pisenti made a motion, seconded by Brother Frieburg, William Burlingame be requested to sign a note payable on demand to the California Grange News, in the amount of overpaid commissions, with 5% interest. Motion carried.

ZELMA EADS

California State Grange
June 29, 1955

A special meeting of the California State Grange Executive Committee with all members present, was called to order at 1:30 P.M.

Brother Barnes made a motion, seconded by Brother Frieburg, the changes in the plans for the Womens' Building be approved. Motion carried.

Brother Barnes made a motion, seconded by Brother Frieburg, the State Grange make available to the Home Economics Department the difference between the amount which the Home Economics Department has ready for payment when the building is completed and the cost of the building. This amount to be paid from the Extension Fund, and as funds accumulate by the Home Economics Department, such funds to be returned to the State Grange Extension Fund. Motion carried. Brother Pisenti requested he be recorded as voting "no" on the question.

Brother Frieburg made the motion, seconded by Brother Barnes, the Sacramento Convention Committee be authorized to secure a hall, at a reasonable rental, as requested by the State Flora, for practice for the Sixth Degree. Motion carried.

Brother Barnes made a motion, seconded by Brother Frieburg, the State Grange recommend Brother Vereschagin to become a member of the U. S. Delegation of Farmers to Russia, but the State Grange could not give financial aid. Motion carried.

Brother Pisenti made a motion, seconded by Brother Barnes, the request for approval of the moving picture entitled, "The Grange Story" be approved with the understanding the script and other arrangements are approved by the State Grange. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned.

ZELMA EADS

Manx Hotel
San Francisco, California
October 4, 1955

The Executive Committee meeting of the California State Grange, with all members present, was called to order at 2:00 P.M. The minutes of the regular meeting held on June 3rd, and the minutes of the Special Meeting held on June 29th, were read and approved.

Brother Frieburg made a motion, seconded by Brother Barnes, the State Grange have a picture of the Womens' Building made for \$48.00 to be used at the Dedication Ceremony during the Convention. Motion carried.

Brother Frieburg made a motion, seconded by Brother Barnes the Convention program for the 1955 Session be approved. Motion carried.

Brother Pisenti made a motion, seconded by Brother Frieburg the State Grange take out a liability insurance policy to protect the California State Grange against liability which might occur while occupying the Civic Auditorium during the 1955 State Grange Convention. Motion carried.

The request of H. K. Shirk, President of the Grange Fraternal Fire Insurance Association to invite a representative of the north-west Grange Insurance Association to address the State Grange on automobile insurance was discussed, but the Committee after a lengthy discussion refused to comply with the request. The majority of the members were of the opinion before the California State Grange approves automobile insurance there should be further study of this question.

The H.E.C. program of Sister Mabel Glenn for the State Grange Convention was unanimously approved.

A request was received from Newport Harbor Grange requesting permission to use the Grange emblem on tuna canned by the Federated Fishermans Association, Inc. was discussed. The Committee felt this request, if granted, might set a precedent, therefore no action was taken.

A resolution received from Elmer McClure, Master of the Oregon State Grange regarding Highway 199, which is just across the California line, was discussed. The Committee were of the opinion this resolution should be handed to the Roads and Highways Committee during the 1955 State Grange Session for further study before action could be taken.

The Committee discussed the Credit Union Conference to be held during the Convention. They were unanimous in their opinion this Conference should be held on Tuesday afternoon, October 18th, immediately following the State Master's Address.

The Committee discussed the meeting of the Grange Fraternal Fire Insurance Association and felt inasmuch as there would not be a room available which would be large enough to accommodate their meeting the Sutter Jr. High School Auditorium, which is just one and one-half blocks from the Civic Auditorium should be secured.

Brother Pisenti made a motion, seconded by Brother Barnes, the State Grange building be painted before the State Grange Convention. The price not to exceed \$1,000. Motion carried.

Sister Augusta Melott, State Grange Youth Director, appeared before the Committee and discussed her program to be used during the State Grange Convention. The Committee approved her program.

At 6:30 P.M. the Committee adjourned to attend a dinner meeting at the St. Francis Hotel in conjunction with the Board of Directors of C.P.S. After dinner the meeting with the representatives of C.P.S. was called to order and the Grange-C.P.S. Health and Hospitalization program was reviewed. C.P.S. agreed to have their Executive Committee Officers prepare a statement and then request a further meeting with a representative of the State Grange.

ZELMA EADS

Warrant No.	To Whom Issued	Amount
Bills audited and paid:		
6348	Fire Ins. Exchange. Policy No. 1401346	33.00
6349	Fox Sales Co. Office supplies	6.18
6350	Sacramento Union	47.88
6351	Spilman Printing. 600 Badge inserts	3.61
6352	Mabel Glenn. Salary third quarter	75.00
6353	Mabel Glenn. Travel exp. and postage	95.77
6354	Fresno Office Machine Co. Typewriter repair	19.75
6355	Celia M. Harding, Sept. salary, less tax	198.90
6356	Marshall Dopkins. 6 mo. salary.	100.00
6357	Harding's Hardware. Office supplies	63.05
6358	Tide Water Assoc. Oil Co. S.M. car	55.69
6359	Allen Merriam. Sal. Oct. 1-15, less tax	182.96
6360	Zelma Eads. Sal. Oct. 1-15, less tax	118.56
6361	Sacramento Bee	155.40
6362	The Record of Yolo Co. 1 M Badges	16.38
6363	Pacific Tel & Tel Co.	136.50
6364	Ensign Publishing Co. Sept. account	57.38
6365	Elmer Frieburg. GBO mtg. 10-1-54	40.50
6366	Fresno Bible House. Bibles	27.30
6367	National Grange. Dept. of Supplies	344.28
6368	Celia M. Harding. Money adv. for office supplies, phone	77.59

Warrant No.	To Whom Issued	Amount
6369	Celia M. Harding. Oct. salary, less tax	198.90
6370	Augusta Melott. Youth Grangers Entertainment	100.00
6371	to	
6837	Convention expense	
6838	Allen Merriam. Salary Oct. 15-31, less tax	182.90
6839	Betty Mayes. 4 hours typing convention	6.00
6840	Harry Barnes. Money adv. steno., auto parking meals	10.85
6841	Elmer Frieburg. Mileage & P.D.	97.80
6842	Merle Mensinger. Mileage & P.D.	69.76
6843	R. Gregg. Convention mileage	11.19
6844	Tom Eide. Juvenile Patron	2.10
6845	Ruth Kibler. Helping Credential Chrm.	33.00
6846	Florence Sheffer. Convention exp.	31.75
6847	Zelma Eads. Sal. Oct. 15-31, less tax	118.56
6848	Geo. Sehlmeier. Oct. salary, less tax	476.26
6849	Leta M. Littler. State Officer, convention	66.50
6850	O. G. Lompe, convention mileage	13.50
6851	Mayme Hill. HEC exp. Dist 4.	52.04
6852	Mayme Hill. HEC exp. Dist 4.	34.02
6853	Augusta Melott. Youth Director Exp.	35.90
6854	Harry Barnes. Exec. mtg. Fresno, 10-15-54	14.43
6855	Frank Faul. Services rendered at convention	52.50
6856	Sylvester Moore. Services rendered at convention	42.50
6857	L. Orlando. Services rendered at convention	10.00
6858	Chas. Cano. Services rendered at convention	32.50
6859	C. W. Reed. convention exp. In lieu of No. 6648	10.80
6860	Lebecks. Repair mimeo.	7.00
6861	Capital Printing Co. S. M. address	133.38
6862	Chas. O. Busick, Jr. C.U. mtg. San Jose convention	21.39
6863	Luppen & Hawley Inc. Repair furnace, Sacto office	13.58
6864	Goldy's Punch and supplies. convention	138.25
6865	Mrs. E. McKee. Convention exp.	10.32
6866	Clovies Variety. Candles for reception.	5.08
6867	Swains Nursery. Flowers used at convention ..	13.96
6868	Mrs. Phillip Braun. Fruits used at HEC brkfst.	27.25
6869	Bayshore Paper Co. Convention supplies	6.99
6870	Hazel Spink. Corsage material for convention	8.89
6871	Sunnyvale Standard. HEC brkfst. menu cut	4.65

Warrant No.	To Whom Issued	Amount
6872	Katherine McKee. Convention office supplies	9.09
6873	Allen Merriam. S.G. exp. includ. convention	74.24
6874	Tide Water Assoc. Oil Co. S.M. car	92.59
6875	LeRoy H. Guntner & Co. Audit State Secy's records	130.00
6876	Rubie Alberti. In lieu of W. No. 6218. ck. lost	58.20
6877	Harry. A. Caton. 316 sixth degree candidates	474.00
6878	Allen Merriam. Sal. Nov. 1-15, less tax	182.96
6879	Zelma Eads. Sal. Nov. 1-15, less tax	118.56
6880	F. P. Archer, Tax Collector. 1st inst. county taxes	175.32
6881	Zellerbach Paper Co. Stencils & mimeo paper	78.28
6882	Fox Sales Co. Office supplies	21.10
6883	Geo. Sehlmeier. Sept. exp.	28.91
6884	Margaret Avery. Lecturer exp.	10.27
6885	Harry Barnes. Trip to Travis Air Base to inspect bldg. for sale	17.30
6886	Ensign Publishing Co. Oct. acct.	255.84
6887	Printers Service Co. Imp. Bibles	7.32
6888	Florence E. Sheffer. HEC exp.	28.00
6889	Geo. Sehlmeier. Nov. Salary, less tax	476.26
6890	Geo. Sehlmeier. Travel exp. Oct. 18-23	23.18
6891	Grangers Business Org.	19.45
6892	Tide Water Assoc. Oil Co. S.M. car	21.67
6893	Stationers Exchange. Mimeo ink, stencils	12.93
6894	Zelma Eads. Salary Nov. 15-30, less tax	118.56
6895	National Grange, supplies	21.11
6896	Fuller Regalia & Costume Co. Supplies	10.18
6897	Harry A. Caton. Sept. 30, 1954, subordinate per capita	2,658.60
6898	Harry A. Caton. Sept. 30, 1954, Juv. per capita	9.08
6899	Margaret Avery. Trip to Nat. Con. Spokane, Wash.	79.25
6900	Margaret A. Francis. HEC exp. Dist 1.	8.12
6901	Pacific Tel & Tel. Co.	151.60
6902	Mrs. E. C. Thomas. Correg. paper used at convention	7.25
6903	Margaret H. Avery. Lecturer's Bulletins & mailing	68.00
6904	Margaret H. Avery. Salary	50.00
6905	Tide Water Assoc. Oil Co. S.M. car	19.39
6906	Capital Printing Co. Imp. 1150 letter heads	4.64
6907	Fox Sales Co. Office Supplies	4.69

Warrant No.	To Whom Issued	Amount
6908	Harry A. Caton. Sixth degree candidates, Spokane.	13.50
6909	Cecil Bolt, Postmaster. Postage	78.00
6910	Zellerbach Paper Co. Mimeo paper & envelopes	56.35
6911	Kenneth Hammaker, Postmaster. Stamps	15.00
6912	Zelma Eads. Salary Dec. 1-15, less tax	118.56
6913	Void	
6914	Void	
6915	Elmer Frieberg. GBO mtg. 12-3-54	39.50
6916	Ensign Publishing Co. Nov. acct.	37.14
6917	Celia M. Harding. Nov. salary, less tax	198.90
6918	Stationery Exchange. Mimeo cylinder & supplies	9.27
6919	Augusta Melott. Trip to Nat. Grange, Spokane, Wash.	132.59
6920	August Melott. Youth Director exp.	51.20
6921	Tide Water Assoc. Oil Co. S. M. Car	18.40
6922	Fox Sales Co. Office supplies	6.20
6923	Geo. Sehlmeier. Nov. travel exp.	16.42
6924	Geo. Sehlmeier. Dec. salary, less tax	476.26
6925	Zelma Eads. Sal. Dec. 15-31, less tax	118.56
6926	Mabel Glenn. 4th qtr. salary 1954	75.00
6927	Mabel Glenn. HE travel exp. & postage	69.23
6928	Geo. C. Laumann. Juvenile com. mtg. Sac'to	6.70
6929	Pacific Tel. & Tel. Co.	124.45
6930	Nora Arnold. HEC mtg. Sacramento	36.50
6931	Grace Warner. HEC Dist. 3 expense	38.72
6932	Collector of Internal Revenue	971.72
6933	Calif. Dept. of Employment.	72.78
6934	Augusta Melott. Attend. Deputy Conf.	20.76
6935	Zelma Eads. Sal. Jan. 1-15, less tax	128.50
6936	Bank of America. Imp. Checks	3.95
6937	Capital Printing Co. Printing for State Lec.	26.27
6938	Fox Sales Co. Office supplies	3.44
6939	Capital Mimeograph Co. Office Supplies	2.42
6940	Motor Vehicle Dept. License for State Grange Ford	31.00
6941	Motor Vehicle Dept. License for Sehlmeier Chrysler	57.00
6942	Fuller Regalia Co. Supplies	10.97
6943	Cecil Bolt, Postmaster. Stamps	85.00
6944	Ensign Publishing Co. Dec. Acct.	1,327.12
6945	Tide Water Assoc. Oil Co. S.M. car.	35.74

Warrant No.	To Whom Issued	Amount
6946	Pacific Tel. & Tel. Co.	156.08
6947	Lydia N. Joiner. In lieu of No. 6913	145.43
6948	Lydia N. Joiner. In lieu of 6914	25.00
6949	Harry Barnes. Exec. mtg. 1-7-55	24.53
6950	Capital Printing Co. HEC printing	43.78
6951	Harold C. Bainbridge. Supplies	75.24
6952	Nadine V. Davis. HEC expense	27.74
6953	Grangers Business Orgn.	30.62
6954	Farmers Ins. Group. Policy No. 5901044	69.30
6955	Geo. Sehlmeier. Dec. travel exp.	17.77
6956	Fox Sales Co. Office supplies	4.74
6957	Calif. Water & Power Users Assoc.	250.00
6958	Celia M. Harding. Petty cash	100.00
6959	Elmer Frieberg. GBO & Exec. mtgs.	75.00
6960	Celia M. Harding. Dec. Sal., less tax	198.90
6961	Fuller Regalia & Costume Co. Supplies	38.13
6962	Zelma Eads. Sal. Jan. 15-31, less tax	128.50
6963	Geo. Sehlmeier. Jan. sal., less tax	460.01
6964	Augusta Melott. Trip to Joshua Tree Gr. via S.L.O. and phone	62.76
6965	Grangers Business Orgn. Money adv. to Internal Revenue additional excise tax	74.72
6966	Celia M. Harding. Jan. salary, less tax	198.90
6967	Zelma Eads. Sal. Feb. 1-15, less tax	118.50
6968	Kenneth Hammaker, Postmaster. Stamps	15.00
6969	Geo. Sehlmeier, Jan. travel exp.	53.92
6970	Hardings Hardware. Manilla env. & twine	21.85
6971	Fuller Regalia & Costume Co. Supplies	18.20
6972	Harry A. Caton. sub. per capita 12-31-54	2,746.80
6973	Harry A. Caton. Juv. per capita 12-31-54	12.36
6974	Harry Barnes. Exec. mtg. 2-4-55	21.75
6975	California Grange News. Loan	3,500.00
6976	Mabel Glenn. Jan. travel exp.	35.23
6977	Ensign Publishing Co. Jan. acct.	1,358.91
6978	Cecil Bolt, Postmaster. Stamps	69.00
6979	Fox Sales Co. Office supplies	9.06
6980	Tide Water Assoc. Oil Co. S.M. car	31.18
6981	Capital Printing Co. 1M letterheads	18.03
6982	J. B. Quinn. Deputy exp.	103.70
6983	Wm. W. Pisenti. Exec. mtg. 1-7-55	16.50
6984	Wm. W. Pisenti. Exec. mtg. 2-4-55	18.00
6985	Anna Hobkirk. Juv. Com. mtg. Sac'to.	41.30
6986	Lydia N. Joiner. Juv. Com. mtg. Sac'to.	38.50
6987	Geo. Sehlmeier. Feb. sal., less tax	460.01

Warrant No.	To Whom Issued	Amount
6988	Kirtley MacBride. Sal. Feb. 14-28, less tax	192.00
6989	Zelma Eads. Sal. Feb. 15-28, less tax	118.50
6990	Grangers Business Orgn. Postage and anti-freeze	14.02
6991	Tide Water Assoc. Oil Co. S.M. car	3.35
6992	Pacific Tel. & Tel. Co.	157.45
6993	Elmer Frieburg. Exec. mtg. 2-4-55	61.00
6994	Zelma Eads. Sal. March 1-15, less tax	118.50
6995	Tide Water Assoc. Oil Co. S.M. car	67.41
6996	Capital Printing Co. 2200 postal cards	73.02
6997	Stationers Exchange. Office supplies	6.28
6998	Kirtley MacBride. Assist State Master	192.00
6999	Kirtley MacBride. Feb. travel exp.	3.30
7000	Celia M. Harding. Feb. salary, less tax	198.90
7001	Fresno Bible House. Imprinted Bible	8.32
7002	August Melott. Trip to San Luis Obispo	34.58
7003	Augusta Melott. Trip to San Luis Obispo	18.78
7004	Augusta Melott. Trip to Visalia	26.80
7005	Margaret Avery. Lec. exp. & S.L.O. conference	98.31
7006	Margaret Avery. Salary second qtr.	50.00
7007	Mabel Glenn. Feb. exp.	22.80
7008	Celia M. Harding. Conf. S.L.O.	24.40
7009	Ensign Publishing Co. Feb. acct.	166.17
7010	Printers Service Co. Imp. Bible	1.92
7011	Harold C. Bainbridge. Supplies	3.58
644E	M. M. Kibler. Deputy work	201.13
645E	J. B. Quinn. Org. Chino Valley Grange	80.00
646E	Russell Spain. Org. Soquel Grange	80.00
647E	Russell Spain. Deputy expense	68.10
648E	Ernest E. Russell. Deputy expense	27.80
649E	S. M. Rispalje Org. Anza Grange and exp.	126.35
650E	Vayne O. Ralston. Deputy work	9.30
651E	Dan Casey. Deputy work	47.95
652E	M. M. Kibler. Deputy work	119.70
653E	J. H. Saunders. Attending Deputy Conf.	14.23
654E	E. E. Russell. Attending Deputy Conf.	32.55
655E	Jack Bennett. Attending Deputy Conf.	73.50
656E	O. M. Davis. Attending Deputy Conf.	32.00
657E	L. V. Piper. Attending Deputy Conf.	22.50
658E	Sam Williams. Attending Deputy Conf.	52.15
659E	C. C. Kofahl. Attending Deputy Conf.	26.14
660E	Herbert Marshall. Attending Deputy Conf.	40.26
661E	F. W. Clark. Attending Deputy Conf.	32.71

Warrant No.	To Whom Issued	Amount
662E	Dan Casey. Attending Deputy Conf.	49.50
663E	Henry A. Johnson. Deputy Conf.	77.50
664E	Hubert Brown. Deputy Conf.	38.95
665E	Robt. Wardlow. Deputy Conf.	69.00
666E	Eldon B. Gage. Deputy Conf.	13.75
667E	S. M. Rispalje. Deputy Conf.	63.41
668E	J. B. Quinn. Deputy Conf.	82.10
669E	Herbert Bengard. Deputy Conf.	28.75
670E	Rubie Alberti. Deputy Conf.	54.00
671E	J. C. Gordon. Deputy Conf.	20.83
672E	Hugh Carpenter. Deputy Conf.	45.20
673E	Ralph Hobbs. Deputy Conf.	10.20
674E	W. L. Hepworth. Deputy Conf.	23.00
675E	A. H. Bolter. Deputy Conf.	17.00
676E	Alvin Dyer. Deputy Conf.	9.17
677E	Ashley Rogers. Deputy Conf.	25.00
678E	W. H. Jeter. Deputy Conf.	20.23
679E	James B. Frost. Deputy Conf.	59.30
680E	Robt. D. Martin. Deputy Conf.	12.95
681E	Bert E. Pasco. Deputy work	62.91
682E	Bert E. Pasco. Deputy work	59.37
683E	H. W. Dyer. Deputy Conf.	52.30
684E	Vayne O. Ralston. Deputy work	6.50
685E	M. M. Kibler. Deputy Conf.	29.18
686E	Phil Nunnemaker. Deputy Conf.	67.60
687E	M. M. Kibler. Dec. Deputy exp.	197.65
688E	Vayne O. Ralston. Deputy exp.	9.50
689E	J. H. Saunders. Install 3 Granges — Sacramento Co.	18.90
7012	Void — check lost	
7013	Void — check lost	
7014	Void — check lost	
7015	Void — check lost	
7016	Pacific Tel. & Tel. Co.	134.00
7017	Geo. Sehlmeier. March salary, less tax	460.01
7018	Zelma Eads. Salary March 15-31, less tax	118.50
7019	Kirtley MacBride. Salary March 15-31, less tax	192.00
7020	Stationers Exchange. Office supplies	7.83
7021	Tide Water Assoc. Oil Co. S.M. car	9.00
7022	Celia M. Harding. March salary, less tax	198.90
7023	Mabel Glenn. 1st qtr. salary	75.00
7024	Geo. Sehlmeier. Trip to Washington D.C.	320.38
7025	Lydia N. Joiner. Travel exp. 1st qtr.	107.77
7026	Lydia N. Joiner. Salary 1st qtr.	25.00

Warrant No.	To Whom Issued	Amount
7027	Augusta Melott. Trip to S.L.O. & phone	55.74
7028	F. P. Archer. Tax Collector. 2nd Inst. county taxes	175.32
7029	G. C. McKinley, Assessor. 2nd Inst. City Taxes	103.02
7030	Zelma Eads. Petty cash	5.00
7031	Kenneth Hammaker, P.M. stamps	16.20
7032	Harry Barnes. Exec. mtg & trip to Lincoln 3-25-55	40.60
7033	Capital Printing Co. 2500 No. 10 envelopes	29.87
7034	Stationers Exchange	1.45
7035	Tide Water Assoc. Oil Co. S.M. car	82.55
7036	Florence E. Sheffer. Dist. H.E. exp.	51.09
7037	Lebecks Business Equipment Co. 1 Peirce stand	25.24
7038	Lebecks Business Equipment Co. 1 Peirce Dictating Mach.	388.98
7039	Wm. W. Pisenti. Exec. mtg. 3-25-55	16.50
7040	Zelma Eads. Salary April 1-15, less tax	118.50
7041	Kirtley MacBride. Salary April 1-15, less tax ..	192.00
7042	Elmer Frieburg. Exec. & GBO mtgs.	40.40
7043	Marshall Dopkins. 6 mo. salary	150.00
7044	Marshall Dopkins. stamps	5.00
7045	Collector of Internal Revenue	1,240.74
7046	Calif. State Dept. of Employment	103.62
7047	Fuller Regalia & Costume Co.	6.12
7048	Celia M. Harding. April sal. less tax	198.90
7049	H. C. Bainbridge. Supplies	10.82
7050	Ensign Publishing Co. March acct.	114.87
7051	Printers Service Co. Imp. Bibles	5.32
7052	Busick & Busick. In lieu of 7012 — ck lost	200.00
7053	GBO. Postage. In lieu of 7013 — ck lost	23.88
7054	Capital Printing Co. In lieu of 7014 — ck lost ..	18.54
7055	Truck Ins. Exchange. In lieu of 7015 — ck lost ..	53.46
7056	Fresno Bible House. Bibles	39.00
7057	Margaret Avery. Exp. to Youth Conf.	20.03
7058	Kirtley MacBride. Exp. to Youth Conf.	9.15
7059	Kirtley MacBride. Water Mtg. S.F.	4.75
7060	Augusta Melott. Youth Conf. S.L.O.	84.11
7061	Leoniede Kruger. Exp. to Youth Conf.	12.70
7062	Katharine Matasci. Exp. to Youth Conf.	10.35
7063	Gordon McBride. Exp. to Youth Conf.	39.36
7064	Shirley Creasy. Exp. to Youth Conf.	10.35
7065	Tide Water Assoc. Oil Co. S. M. car	15.35
7066	Nora Arnold. H.E. Dist No. 1 expense	14.52

Warrant No.	To Whom Issued	Amount
7067	Kirtley MacBride. Salary April 15-30, less tax	192.00
7068	Zelma Eads. Salary April 15-30, less tax	118.50
7069	Geo. Sehlmeier. April salary, less tax	460.01
7070	GBO. Postage	31.75
7071	Pacific Tel. & Tel. Co.	168.93
7072	Lebecks. Repair Duplicator	27.96
7073	Clear Lake Grange. Hall Dedication.	50.00
7074	Harry Barnes. GBO mtg. 4-22-55	19.25
7075	Cecil Bolt. P.M. postage	77.00
7076	Jory's Flowers. Will Stewart funeral	5.20
7077	Kirtley MacBride. Sal. May 1-15, less tax	192.00
7078	Zelma Eads. Sal. May 1-15, less tax	118.50
7079	Tide Water Assoc. Oil Co. S.M. car	62.57
7080	Printers Service Co. Imp. Bibles	3.78
7081	Emma Wait. HEC exp.	20.78
7082	Margaret Avery. Printing & Stamps	76.09
7083	Ensign Publishing Co. April acct.	117.10
7084	Celia M. Harding. May salary, less tax	198.90
7085	California Water & Power Users Assoc.	250.00
7086	Hilmar Grange. Hall dedication	50.00
7087	Kirtley MacBride. Travel expense	9.00
7088	Mabel Glenn. April travel expense	34.94
7089	Bank of America. Safe deposit box rental	4.40
7090	Kenneth Hammaker. Stamps	15.00
7091	Geo. Sehlmeier. Travel exp. March & April	45.21
7092	Augusta Melott. Telephone and postage	47.09
7093	Harry A. Caton. Sub. Grange per capita 3-31-55	2,662.20
7094	Harry A. Caton. Juv. Grange per capita 3-31-55	8.93
7095	Grangers Business Org. Postage	25.92
7096	Fresno Bible House. Bibles	28.08
7097	Pacific Tel. & Tel. Co.	134.76
7098	Zellerbach Paper Co. Mimeo paper	42.60
7099	Stationers Exchange	1.29
7100	Tide Water Assoc. Oil Co. S.M. car	23.96
7101	Zelma Eads. Salary May 15-31, less tax	118.50
7102	Kirtley MacBride. Salary May 15-31, less tax	192.00
7103	Geo. Sehlmeier. May salary, less tax	460.01
7104	Margaret Avery, Lecturer exp.	29.45
7105	H. C. Bainbridge. Supplies	23.76
7106	Grange Fraternal Fire Ins. Assn. Ins. Sec. supplies	12.15
7107	Capital Printing Co. 1 M letterheads	19.26
7108	E. A. Boyd Co. S.M. car tune up.	24.88
7109	Geo. Sehlmeier. May travel exp.	27.17

Warrant No.	To Whom Issued	Amount
7110	Zelma Eads. Salary June 1-15, less tax	118.50
7111	Kirtley MacBride. Sal. June 1-15, less tax	192.00
7112	Tide Water Assoc. Oil Co. S.M. car	64.84
7113	National Grange Mutual Liab. Co. Certificate No. 04-004	35.00
7114	Stationers Exchange. Office supplies	5.13
7115	Margaret Avery. Salary 3rd qtr.	50.00
7116	Void — ck. lost	
7117	Celia M. Harding. June salary, less tax	198.90
7118	Harry Barnes. Exec. mtg. 6-3-55	20.11
7119	Calif. Grange News. Circulation — 25c per yr. 28,132 paid up members	7,033.00
7120	Hardings Hdwe. Manila env. & office supplies	84.02
7121	National Grange — Dept. of Supplies	230.21
7122	Wm. W. Pisenti. Exec. mtg.	18.17
7123	Ensign Publishing Co. May Acct.	290.73
7124	Grangers Business Org. Car storage & battery	43.23
7125	Elmer Frieburg. Exec. mtg. 6-3-55	40.50
7126	Tide Water Assoc. Oil Co. S.M. car	38.81
7127	Kirtley MacBride. Travel exp. for St. Gr.	8.00
7128	Kirtley MacBride. Salary June 15-30, less tax	192.00
7129	Zelma Eads. Salary June 15-30, less tax	118.50
7130	Fuller Regalia & Costume Co. Supplies	12.06
7131	Geo. Sehlmeier. June salary, less tax	460.01
7132	Pacific Tel. & Tel. Co.	126.02
7133	Void —	
7134	Void —	
7135	Mabel Glenn — 2nd qtr. salary	75.00
7136	Mabel Glenn. Travel exp. May & June	26.95
7137	H. C. Bainbridge. In lieu of No. 7116	14.82
7138	Kenneth Hammaker. Stamps	15.00
7139	Tide Water Assoc. Oil Co. S.M. car	69.48
7140	Fox Sales Co. Office supplies	5.04
7141	Elmer Frieburg. GBO mtg. 6-23-55	39.50
7142	Wm. W. Pisenti. GBO mtg. 6-23-55	16.55
7143	Void — ck lost	
7144	Harry Barnes. Exec. mtg. 6-29-55	20.58
7145	Cecil Bolt, Postmaster. Postage	87.00
7146	Zelma Eads. Salary July 1-15, less tax	118.50
7147	Kirtley MacBride. Salary July 1-15, less tax	192.00
7148	Wm. W. Pisenti. Exec. mtg. 6-29-55	18.09
7149	Elmer Frieburg. Exec. mtg. 6-29-55	25.50
7150	Celia M. Harding. July salary, less tax	198.90
7151	Collector of Internal Revenue	1,371.23

Warrant No.	To Whom Issued	Amount
7152	Calif. Dept. of Employment	110.54
7153	Grangers Business Org.	10.40
7154	Geo. Sehlmeier. June travel exp.	46.60
7155	Geo. Sehlmeier. Car repair	89.93
7156	Phil Nunnemaker. Per Diem 6 days @ \$2.00 per day, State Grange convention 1954	12.00
7157	Kirtley MacBride. Trip to Lancaster	11.00
7158	Lebecks. Office supplies	2.94
7159	Ensign Publishing Co. June acct.	89.58
7160	Printers Service Co. Imp. Bibles	1.78
7161	H. C. Bainbridge. Supplies	11.88
7162	Lydia N. Joiner. Travel exp. March 21 - June 23. Sal. \$25	130.90
7163	Harry Barnes. Mtg. with Contractor, Sac'to. Re: Womens Bldg.	18.20
7164	Augusta Melott. Telephone, trip to Greenfield, dinner.	22.94
7165	Lebecks. Paper S. G. office	3.87
7166	Velma L. Sutliff. HEC Dist. 7 expense	56.61
7167	Stationers Exchange. 1 jar hand cleaner	1.29
7168	Tide Water Assoc. Oil Co. S.M. car	38.12
7169	Farmers Ins. Group. Policy No. 5901044	49.38
7170	Geo. Sehlmeier. July salary, less tax	465.43
7171	Zelma Eads. Salary July 15-31, less tax	118.50
7172	Kirtley MacBride. Salary July 15-31, less tax	192.00
7173	Harry Barnes. Trip to Sac'to, let contract for new Bldg.	18.25
7174	Capital Printing Co. 2500 letterheads	30.38
7175	Capital Printing Co. 2500 No. 10 envelopes	29.87
7176	Maywood Grange Hall dedication	50.00
7177	Tide Water Assoc. Oil Co. S.M. car	61.27
7178	Zellerbach Paper Co. Mimeo paper	24.37
7179	Pacific Tel. & Tel. Co.	95.06
7180	Federal Reserve Bank. W.H. for Aug.	300.00
7181	Printers Service Co. Imp Bibles	1.77
7182	Fresno Office Machine Co. Repair typerwriter	6.06
7183	Geo. Sehlmeier. July travel exp.	26.93
7184	Zelma Eads. Salary Aug. 1-15, less tax	118.50
7185	Kirtley MacBride. Salary Aug. 1-15, less tax	192.00
7186	Kirtley MacBride. Travel exp. C.S.G.	9.90
7187	Margaret Avery. Office exp. & printing bulletin	91.00
7188	Ensign Publishing Co. July acct.	57.31
7189	Trip-Charge, Inc. gas.	5.65

Warrant No.	To Whom Issued	Amount
7190	Pacific Tel. & Tel. Co.	121.13
7191	Tide Water Assoc. Oil Co.	22.51
7192	Nora Arnold. HEC. travel exp.	26.71
7193	Fox Sales Co. Office supplies	5.36
7194	Celia M. Harding. Aug. sal., less tax	198.90
7195	Kenneth Hammaker. Postage	15.00
7196	Grace Warner. HEC expense	47.43
7197	Zelma Eads. Sal. Aug. 15-31, less tax	118.50
7198	Kirtley MacBride. Sal. Aug. 15-31, less tax	192.00
7199	Grangers Business Org. Car storage, parking, tube	62.04
7200	Geo. Sehlmeier. Aug. salary, less tax	468.09
7201	Augusta Melott. Telephone & travel exp.	46.06
7202	Zelma Eads. Sal. Sept. 1-15, less tax	118.50
7203	Kirtley MacBride. Sal. Sept. 1-15, less tax	192.00
7204	Geo Sehlmeier. Aug. travel exp.	54.66
7205	Tide Water Assoc. Oil Co. S.M. car	55.62
7206	Harold C. Bainbridge. Supplies	65.13
7207	E. A. Boyd Co.	2.94
7208	Federal Reserve Bank. Sept. W.H.	350.00
7209	Mabel Glenn. Aug. HEC exp.	27.03
7210	Wm. W. Pistenti. M & PD	17.42
690E	Void — ck. lost	
691E	M. M. Kibler. 3676 Miles, \$183.80; Lodging \$31.50; Food \$30.19; per diem \$66.00	311.49
692E	J. B. Quinn. Trip to Lompoc to Install few officers	32.38
693E	Bert E. Pasco. Deputy M & PD	92.09
694E	Phil Nunnemaker. Deputy M & PD	76.70
695E	Sidney Rispalje. Deputy M & PD	39.50
696E	James B. Frost. Trip to Yucaipa, HEC & Deputy conf.	10.32
697E	M. M. Kibler. 2575 miles — Lodging \$28.00; Food \$30.75; Per Diem \$78.00	265.50
698E	M. M. Kibler. 3215 miles — Lodging \$24.50; Food \$30.88; Per Diem \$60.00; other expense \$10.00	286.13
699E	E. E. Russell. Deputy exp.	14.90
700E	E. E. Russell. Org. Palermo Juvenile	20.00
701E	H. W. Dyer. Mileage to Yucaipa, Deputy conf.	9.30
702E	E. E. Russell. In lieu of No. 690. ck. lost	19.90
703E	W. H. Jeter. Deputy work	21.00
704E	M. M. Kibler. 17 days per diem \$102. Lodging \$54.75; Food \$53.92; 2837 miles traveled	352.52

Warrant No.	To Whom Issued	Amount
705E	M. M. Kibler. Lodging \$5.00; Food \$4.44; per diem 12.00; 617 miles traveled	52.29
706E	Phil Nunnemaker. Deputy exp. April, May & June	64.80
707E	Bert E. Pasco. Deputy exp.	193.08
708E	Sidney Rispalje. Org. Norco Juv. Grange Oct. 2, 1954	20.00
709E	Sidney Rispalje. Deputy work	20.45
710E	H. W. Dyer. Attend. Deputy Conf. San Bernardino	4.60
711E	Vayne O. Ralston. Deputy expense	32.34
712E	E. E. Russell. Deputy expense	24.30
713E	W. H. Jeter, Deputy. Deputy expense	25.25
714E	M. M. Kibler. Lodging \$43.00; per diem \$60.00; Food \$33.80; Phone \$1.65; 1655 miles traveled.	221.20
715E	M. M. Kibler. Lodging \$112.00; per diem \$126.00; Food \$79.85; Other expenses \$16.07; 2654 miles traveled	466.62
716E	Lloyd V. Piper. Mileage & per diem	54.95
717E	Herbert Marshall. Deputy mileage	11.50
718E	O. M. Davis. Deputy work and representing State Grange at meetings	66.00
719E	O. M. Davis. Deputy work and representing State Grange at meetings	32.10
720E	J. C. Raines. 447 miles @ 5c	22.35
721E	Bert E. Pasco — M. & P.D. July and August	171.95
7211	Margaret Avery. 3rd qtr. salary	50.00
7212	Ensign Publishing Co. Aug. acct.	87.92
7213	Printers Service Co. Imp. Bibles	9.01
7214	Harry A. Caton. 6-30-55 Subordinate per capita	2,724.54
7215	Harry A. Caton. 6-30-55 Juvenile per capita	12.13
7216	Sacramento Co. Pomona HEC 750 lunches served Grange Day @ \$1.25 each	937.50
2717	Celia M. Harding. Sept. Sal., less tax	198.90
7218	Pacific Tel. & Tel. Co.	154.90
7219	Grangers Business Org. Fair Booth material and stamps	41.53
7220	Fox Sales Co.	15.85
7221	Stereotype Co. 20 dry mats	5.19
7222	Sacramento Bee	151.20
7223	Fresno Bible House. Bibles	18.20
7224	Margaret Avery. Santa Barbara Co. mtg.	28.80
7225	National Grange. Supplies	108.80
7226	Geo. Sehlmeier. Sept. salary, less tax	476.26

Warrant No.	To Whom Issued	Amount
7227	Kirtley MacBride. Sal. Sept. 15-30, less tax	192.00
7228	Zelma Eads Sal. Sept. 15-30, less tax	118.50
7229	Capital Printing Co. Printing	17.25
7230	John's Signal Service Station	
	1953 Ford repair	14.54
7231	Bee Engraving. 1 mat Trinity Picture	4.34
7232	Fire Insurance Exchange. Policy No. 01401346	33.00
7233	Tide Water Assoc. Oil Co. S.M. car	26.94

Sacramento Hotel
October 17, 1955

The Executive Committee meeting of the California State Grange, with all members present, was called to order at 7:00 P.M. The minutes of the regular meeting held in San Francisco on October 4, 1955, were read and approved.

The question of revising the Booster Barrel Program of the California Grange News was briefly discussed, but the Committee were of the opinion this question should be taken up at a later date.

The Account of Harold Cole was discussed. The Committee were advised Mr. Phanner, Auditor for the Grange News, had stated Harold Cole does not have any money due him inasmuch as Mr. Cole had taken the matter before the Labor Commission and the case was dropped for insufficient evidence.

The State Master advised the Committee, Mr. Cole had filed a claim against the Grange News and suit had been filed.

Brother Barnes made a motion, seconded by Brother Frieberg, Mr. Phanner authorized to hire an attorney to file an answer to the above claim. Motion carried.

Brother Frieberg made a motion, seconded by Brother Pisenti, the State Grange pay the hotel bills of the visiting State Masters who were attending the 1955 State Grange Convention, and also the hotel bill of Brother Ray Gill. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned.

ZELMA EADS

REPORTS OF DISTRICT DEPUTIES

Moved, seconded and carried that District Deputies's reports be printed in the journal.

ANTELOPE VALLEY

Worthy Masters, Officers and Members of California State Grange:

The Pomona and Subordinate Granges of Antelope Valley, Los Angeles County, and their Home Economic committees have held regular meetings and are in fairly good shape although two of the subordinates have had a considerable loss in membership. One Juvenile Grange and our Youth Group are in good shape but one Juvenile Grange has become dormant.

State Master Sehlmeier and Mrs. Sehlmeier were guests of our Fair Board and A.V. Granges at Grange Day at the A.V. Fair. Granges won 1st and 3rd prizes for ag. booths and three Granges operated concessions at a good profit.

I have visited each Grange in the district several times. the first five degrees have been conferred, and all Granges are represented at this convention by delegates and several visitors.

I wish to thank the officers and members of our Granges for their cooperation and the many pleasant evenings spent with them. It has been a pleasure to serve as Deputy in Antelope Valley.

Fraternally,
H. W. DYER,
Deputy

BUTTE COUNTY

Worthy Masters, Officers, Delegates and members of California State Grange:

All twelve Subordinate Granges of Butte County have been busy during the year in various projects, many of which were carried through to completion.

Several of our Granges entered parades and booths at the various fairs bringing back close to a thousand dollars in prize money. Some of these were entries for the first time.

Ten of our Granges again entered Community service with seven of them sending in final reports to win 2nd place. We believe this is one of the finest projects a Grange can participate in.

During the year Paradise Grange paid off its debt on the Grange Hall and burned the mortgage. Chico Grange sold its old hall and are now ready to remodel its new Building. Wyandotte Grange is very busy on our new hall in which we will hold a Hallowe'en party and hope to move in very soon.

Pomona Grange has enjoyed a large turn outs at meetings and has shown a great deal of activity. Some of this is due to the Grange Benefit Association which now has a membership of about 160 members.

We have at present three degree teams and the work has been put on throughout the district.

The Butte County Federal Credit Union has shown rapid growth during the year.

A Juvenile Grange was organized in the Palermo Grange in March with 33 charter members.

The Home Economics has again done a very fine job in our district and deserves much credit and thanks for their fine cooperation and help.

At the present time Wyandotte Grange is organizing a youth group which we hope to complete soon.

It's been a pleasure working with our Granges this year and their help and cooperation has been the best. Booster nights have been held in part of the Granges and three Installations have taken place to date.

Many thanks to Butte County Grangers for their help and kindness.

Fraternally submitted,
ERNEST E. RUSSELL
Deputy

CONTRA COSTA COUNTY

TO: The Worthy State Masters, Officers and Members of the California State Grange:

Your District Deputy is happy to report that all Subordinate Granges in the District, and the Pomona Grange are in a good financial condition. All of the Subordinate Granges, as well as the Pomona Grange have materially increased their membership during the past year. Likewise, all Granges in the area have been very active and enthusiastic throughout the year by participating in the County Fair, Community Service Contest and other local and civic activities. Danville Grange instituted a Juvenile Grange which has been very successful.

I am also happy to report that the Contra Costa Grangers' Credit Union has now 152 members and assets in excess of \$28,000.00. Both assets and membership in that Credit Union have been continually increasing.

Fraternally yours,
JOHN L. GARAVENTA
Deputy

DEL NORTE COUNTY

Greetings from Del Norte county to the 83rd annual session of the California State Grange:

I am pleased to report that our three subordinate Granges and one Pomona Grange continue to prosper and grow in Del Norte county with Grange membership on the steady increase and all Granges active in both Grange work and community service.

Our Grange groups have been working together more this year. Regular HEC quarterly meetings under the Del Norte Pomona Grange have been started. We joined together in an all day session at Klamath Valley Grange and at Crescent-Redwood Grange to host a welcome visit from our state officials headed by State Master George Sehlmeier and State HEC Chairman Mabel Glenn.

Our Del Norte Grangers Credit Union continues with a steady growth. All three Granges are represented in its of-

ficers. An award was given this year for the first time by the Del Norte Pomona Grange to two outstanding first year 4-H members. This will continue to be an annual award.

Individually, our three Granges, all of which I have visited, are showing progress. Klamath Valley Grange acquired its own property and buildings this year with plans to remodel the buildings for Grange use. Crescent-Redwood and Lake Earl Granges continue to develop and improve their halls.

In community service, three Granges entered the contest and two Granges, Crescent-Redwood Grange and Lake Earl Grange filed reports. All Granges took part in the state HEC Lights of Home project. The Booster Barrel project was entered by all the Granges. All the Granges took part in the Del Norte County fair with agricultural exhibits.

In Del Norte county, we feel that we have a good Grange year and we are looking ahead in the coming year to the continued forwarding of Grange work and Grange activities.

Respectfully submitted,
JACK C. BENNETT
Deputy

EL DORADO COUNTY

Worthy Master, Officers and Members of the California State Grange, Greetings:

It is an honor to report for the seven subordinate Granges in my district. They have all had a successful year. There has been a big gain in membership in three of them.

Most of the Granges entered booths in the County Fair and are taking interest in community affairs; some sponsoring Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts and several sponsoring 4-H Clubs.

The Home Economic Clubs have had a very active year. A district meeting was held in my county recently which was well attended.

I have the pleasure of reporting two new Juvenile Granges organized. One at Hangtown Grange and one at Marshall Grange. Both are getting off to a good start.

Two officers schools and one masters conference was held in my district this year.

Fraternally submitted,
GEORGE H. KLARE
Deputy

GLENN COUNTY

Worthy Master, Officers and Members of California State Grange, Greetings:

We are gathered together at this Convention to discuss issues and problems that will greatly effect our future prosperity. In submitting my report as deputy for the past year, I am pleased to report that the Granges of Glenn County over all have made a substantial growth in membership and have worked very hard on many activities.

We had a joint installation of officers in January and this was followed by an officers instruction school in February at my home. All our Granges entered Community Service and carried this out in many ways in their localities. Most of them exemplified degree work during the year. We have a new youth committee at Orland.

Our Credit Union is making rapid growth and is of much value to borrowers and depositors alike.

The Granges have received excellent publicity in the local papers and have made every effort to create and maintain harmonious and understanding relations between the farmers and their city cousins. Two Granges gave scholarships to high school graduates.

The Home Economics has been mainly responsible for the success of most of the accomplishments of the past year.

I thank you for the honor and privilege of serving the California State Grange as Deputy for Glenn County.

Fraternally submitted,
LLOYD V. PIPER
Deputy

NORTHERN HUMBOLDT COUNTY

Worthy Masters, Officers and Members of the California State Grange:

Since my last report we have had a great surge of activities in this Northern District.

Bayside Grange No. 500 is about to enter a great new phase of Grange work - that of sponsoring a Juvenile Grange. We are hoping to complete the organizing of this group by November 1st. Bayside has just finished the project of re-decorating their hall.

Dows Prairie Grange No. 505 has been very active in the Booster Barrel Contest. Their community project is building shelters for the school children in their district.

Fieldbrook Grange No. 771 has sponsored a volunteer fire department for their district. They have put continuous pressure to bear on the county officials to improve their county roads. This Grange has redecorated their hall and are having a good attendance record.

Freshwater Grange No. 499 has been very active in the Disaster Barrel. The card parties held at the hall have been very successful in reducing the debt on their hall. Card parties are held twice per month with the men and women alternating in running them.

Mad River Grange No. 590 has just moved into their new hall and have worked very hard to make it the comfortable building that it is. The first meeting in the hall was Booster Night and hall is to be dedicated by the State Master on October 26th. They are active in the Booster Barrel Contest.

Orick Valley Grange No. 508 has been up to their ears in building the new addition to their hall. Also they have been working since 1951 to secure a garbage dump for their area. One benefit card party was held with the entire proceeds going to Alderpoint Grange. Orick Grange also sponsors a group of Bluebirds which is a part of the camp fire movement. They also are very active in county wide projects.

Five Granges of my district co-operated in the joint installation of officers in January by M. M. Kibler, state representative. Grange officers installed were from Mad River, Fieldbrook, Freshwater, Dows Prairie, and Orick. Over 180 were in attendance. Two officers meetings were held this

year and two more master's meetings were held with the State Master. A districts picnic was held at Camp Baur, August, 14th with over 300 attending. Granges in my district have vigorously urged a division of Humboldt County into two separate Pomona Granges. They have signed petitions and I have forwarded them to the State Master for immediate action. Grange members in my district are regularly visiting neighboring Granges and co-operating with one another in programs, activities and all things for the general welfare of the Order. I feel that this spirit of brotherhood and forward thinking among Granges in Northern Humboldt County can only lead us to greater production in fields of Grange love and service.

Fraternally submitted,
S. M. WILLIAMS,
Deputy

SOUTHERN HUMBOLDT COUNTY

Worthy Masters, Officers and Members of the California State Grange, Greetings:

Herewith is submitted the deputy report for Southern Humboldt to cover activities since we last met in session.

Since the first of the year 5,942 miles have been covered in connection with Grange activities.

One new Juvenile Grange has been organized also a new Subordinate. Our Granges have been active in procuring legislation overcoming unfair practices penalizing old age pensioners. They have also sponsored activity resulting in a bill giving to Humboldt County the power to store and sell refugee waters for beneficial use.

The water committees from the various Granges are mapping their district regarding use of water for domestic, agricultural and industrial purposes.

In general, all Granges in this district are active altho attendance has dropped due to various interfering activities.

With the fall season we may expect attendance to increase. Eleven Granges entered the Community contest, even the new Whitethorn Grange entered as soon as organized; nine completed reports.

It has been a pleasure to work with these Granges and assist in building a stronger organization to carry forward the principles for which the Grange was organized.

We receive splendid coverage of Grange activities from the local papers both in articles and pictures. This is a strong feature in bringing before the public the work and interests of our Granges.

Fraternally submitted,
BERT E. PASCO,
Deputy

KERN COUNTY

To the Officers and Members of the California State Grange,
Greetings:

The year of 1955 has been a busy year for Kern County Grangers. There has been some gain in membership, lots of action in Community Service. The H.E.C. ladies spent many hours at the County Fair helping to set up the County H.E.C. booth and looking after it throughout the fair.

Rosedale Grange came out with second prize on their booth, Delano Grange entered a Float in parade at the Fall Festival in Delano and received high honors, and have made a substantial growth in membership also have been very active in Community Service.

Rosedale Grange has added a new kitchen to their hall.

Panama Grange is working hard to pay for repairs on their hall after the earthquake. They have a project of gathering broken toys and repairing them for needy children for Christmas. Each member is responsible for one child or more for Christmas dinner.

Weedpatch Grange is still slow, several new members but interest not too good.

Tehachapi Grange is very active and discussing building a new hall.

Fairfax Grange have decorated their hall, also painted all outside and done a good job leveling and cleaning the lot getting ready for the Fall and winter activities.

McFarland Grange is very active in Grange and community.

Wasco Grange has been inactive all summer and the prospect to revive isn't too good.

Fairfax Grange and Kern County Pomona Granges contributed very liberally to the Blind & Handicapped Work Center in Bakersfield.

The Credit Union in Kern County is growing rapidly.

C. C. KOFAHL,
Deputy

LAKE COUNTY

To our Worthy Master and Members of the California State Grange, Greetings:

I reported last year that I did not intend to hold the office of District Deputy another year, but I had failed to consider fully the power of persistence of my Granges and our Worthy State Master.

I am glad now that I remained on the job as many problems have arisen that have required prompt action, just the usual little things that soon grow out of all proportion if nourished too long, but that die quickly if the bud is destroyed.

All Lake County Granges have made substantial growth, but like the rest of California we loose members for non-payment of dues, which is another way of saying lack of interest. I believe older and more experienced members are responsible for this condition. We haven't provided what new members expected when they joined. In some way we haven't provided the proper incentive and we must have failed to teach new members the full meaning of our ritual, our obligation, and what the Grange has done for our country in the past and the opportunities for future service, and what the Grange could do for them as individuals. Let us all think this over, there must be an answer.

Our Credit Union has reached \$87,000 in assets and we hope to pass the \$100,000 mark by Jan. 1st. We have kept our

money in circulation and was able to pay a dividend on last years business of 3½ % plus 1% set aside as additional reserve.

Clear Lake Grange completed their new hall at a cost of \$20,000 and present indebtedness is only \$900.

Guenoc Grange have added to their hall. Bachelor Valley have a one acre building site and Konocti has 2 large lots and both have a substantial building fund. Both Scotts Valley and East Lake have "own your own home" fever and I think Kelseyville, the baby Grange of Lake County, has been exposed to the germ. They have won the beautiful loving cup, attendance prize put up by Pomona Grange, seven times. Now they have it for all time to come.

All Granges have had worthwhile projects and have made good use of publicity. Yes, California knows there are Granges in Lake County.

The H. E. Clubs have all excelled their previous records, but the percentage of Ladies attending is too small, too much work for the few.

I have visited all my Granges as often as possible and I am happy to report full co-operation and they always show me more courtesy than I feel entitled to.

The traveling gavel I started 11 years ago is still making the rounds, and creating the situation I originally planned, more visiting between Granges, more understanding and a higher valuation of our brothers and sisters.

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Fraternally submitted,
PHIL NUNNEMAKER
Deputy

MENDOCINO COUNTY

To the Officers and Members of the California State Grange in Session at Sacramento, Greetings:

The last year has been a pleasant one as all Granges in Mendocino County seem to be holding their own in membership. The last count I had was around 1,700.

All have been very active in the community and have taken part in all fairs and civic affairs.

I have traveled about 1,600 miles this year. Visited all my Granges at least once. Installed 7 Subordinate and our Pomona Grange officers.

As I haven't had time enough to compile my reports from Pomona Grange my report isn't too long.

Best wishes for more Granges in 1956.

Fraternally submitted,
FRED W. CLARK
Deputy

MODOC COUNTY

To the Officers and Members of the California State Grange, Greetings:

It again becomes a pleasure to report on the progress of the Granges of Modoc County.

The trip thru, Modoc, Lassen and Shasta Counties was a very beautiful sight and with Jack Frost at work painting the various colors on the trees and other plants.

Our Pomona Grange sponsored a county wide clean up day in May, and succeeded in putting the county aware of the litter on the highways.

Davis Creek Subordinate finished the Ladies rest room in their hall, also placed road signs on the road leading to West side of Goose Lake.

The Granges in Surprise Valley again sponsored Community Booths at the County Fair, and Eagle Grange took first prize for the second consecutive year.

We also held our County Picnic at Cedar Pass Camp Ground in July.

Lookout Grange again held a very successful two day barbecue and rodeo in June.

The Home Economic Clubs also held meetings over the

County and assisted some of the Granges to get new members.

Fraternally submitted,
DAN CASEY,
Deputy

MOJAVE VALLEY

To the Officers and Members of the California State Grange,
Greetings:

The seven Subordinate Granges and the Mojave Valley Pomona Grange are all having their regular meetings with good attendance and interest.

It is expected that two more of these Granges, Hinkley Valley and Apple Valley will dedicate new Grange halls this year.

Exhibits were made at the San Bernardino County Fair at Victorville by several of the Granges and were awarded top honors.

Trophies were awarded to the 4-H groups for their displays of livestock at the Fair.

Membership has shown a gain and the degree teams are busy initiating the new members.

There is, I believe, a 100% attendance of delegates at this convention.

Fraternally submitted,
HENRY A. JOHNSON
Deputy

MONTEREY COUNTY

Worthy Masters, Officers and Members of the California State Grange, Greetings:

It is an honor to report the successful activities of the Granges of Monterey County.

In January, all the Grange officers - elect were installed at three ceremonies performed by our very capable installing

team.

Shortly after installation, the Masters, Lecturers, Secretaries and H.E.C. chairmen held a conference in Salinas. It was the most successful and best attended officers' conference that I have conducted.

The Monterey County Pomona Grange, in cooperation with the Subordinate Granges of the county, sponsored its annual scholarship for furthering the education of a boy in Agriculture, and a girl in Home Economics.

I am proud to report that our Granges won the most prizes with their booths in the Agricultural division of the Monterey County Fair. They showed much forethought, skill and labor, and were highly praised by everyone.

While visiting the Granges of the county, it has been rewarding to note the marked increase in membership and the variety of activities being undertaken.

I would like to express my appreciation to the Granges and members of my county for their thoughtfulness and loyalty in the past year.

Respectfully submitted,
HUBERT J. BROWN,
Deputy

NAPA COUNTY

Worthy State Master, Worthy State Officers, and Delegates to the 83rd Annual Session of the California State Grange:

The Granges in Napa County are progressing in good shape with a substantial increase in membership during the past year.

The Welcome Grange near the town of Napa was organized with sixty-four charter members during the month of July. With a very enthusiastic membership this new Grange is sure to succeed.

A Masters' conference was called and held immediately following the regular Napa County Pomona meeting in July. All Masters of Napa County Granges attended. Our Worthy

State Master George Sehlmeier presided.

Respectfully submitted,
ALLEN LINDEBECK,
Deputy

SAN BENITO COUNTY

Officers and Members of the California State Grange —

Greetings from San Benito County. There are three Subordinate Granges and a Pomona Grange in said county. All are quite active and apparently doing excellent work for the Grange and for their communities. Due to the pressure of other duties, I do not visit them as often as I should and would like to —but when I do visit, I find a warm welcome and try to assist wherever I can.

Granges in the county have been active in building Fair Booths and have won their share of prizes. Bitterwater Grange is participating in the Safety Contest.

An officers dinner was held following the installation of officers, which was well attended. Officers were given instruction in the performance of their duties. Also all phases of Grange work and benefits were discussed.

My best wishes for a most successful 1955 convention.

Fraternally submitted,
HERBERT W. BENGARD,
Deputy

PLACER-NAVADA COUNTIES

Worthy Master, Officers and Members California State Grange, Greetings:

Again it is a great pleasure to report to you as your District Deputy for Placer-Nevada counties. I have visited all the Granges in my district except one and find them in good financial condition and holding their own. Attendance has been rather small at some of the meetings but all meetings have been very constructive and interesting.

Placer Nugget Pomona Grange No. 29 has held regular meetings with fair attendance. In April we had a special meeting for initiation. At that time Sacramento county fifth degree team conferred the fifth degree on thirty new members. Worthy State Master George Sehlmeier was a special guest. In January we had joint installation with all Subordinate Granges in this district. Again this year we presented an award of \$100 to the outstanding F.F.A. boy and \$100 to the outstanding F.H.A. girl. At each Pomona meeting we have had a speaker on some vital issue.

Gold Hill Grange held their past Masters dinner in January and in February they were guests at a dinner given by the 4-H club. They sponsor the 4-H club. They have purchased thirty-two new chairs for the hall, the money being raised by giving card parties. A complete outfit of clothing for a five year old girl in the Philippines was sent by the H.E. They have also given money to Red Cross, Polio, Youth Fund and the High School band. Have entered the community service and Booster Barrel contest. Have taken in 5 new members.

Mt. Vernon Grange is very active although their attendance is not so good. They have given several dinners to raise money to improve their hall. Sponsor a Grange Blood Bank and have given money to all Charitable organizations. The H.E. Juvenile Grange and Grange entered booths at the district fair and all three units took a prize. H.E. club is quite active.

Long Valley Grange are holding their own and have very interesting meetings. Several members have assisted when the Blood Bank comes to Auburn. Have held card parties to raise money to improve their hall and also sponsor the 4-H club. They took third prize on their booth at the district fair.

Loomis Grange held their Past Masters dinner also served several other dinners to honor their members. Held their annual Easter Sunrise Service followed by a breakfast put on by the H.E. ladies. Have taken in several new members and their meetings are well attended. The lecturer also has very interesting programs. They entered booths at both the County and District fairs and took prizes both places.

Meadow Vista Grange held their annual Easter Sunrise Service—have had overnight camping trips, hamburger fries and several social activities for their members. They have entered the community service and safety contest—given to the

blood bank and sponsor a health program. They also sponsor a youth baseball team. They are now completing their hall. H.E. club very active and have purchased several important items for the hall. The Juvenile Grange, H.E. club and Grange entered booths at the District fair and all three units took first prize. Their Juvenile Grange is outstanding this year.

Placer Foothill Grange held their annual May morning breakfast and had a very large attendance. Worthy State Master Sehlmeier, Mabel Glenn and Emma Waite were special guests. They have given card parties to raise money to assist needy families. The lecturer has a speaker at each meeting on important events. Have taken in new members.

Sierra Nevada Grange still working on places for their new hall. Their attendance has been very good. Each meeting part of the lecturer program is devoted to ritualistic work. Have put on dinners and card parties to raise money to help needy families. Also entered the community service contest.

Banner Grange attendance has been very good this year. They sponsored March of Dimes card party and contributed \$233.73 to this fund. Sponsored a variety show for the Boy Scouts. Served several dinners and lunches to raise money. Have a speaker at each meeting and hold interest of their members. They have taken in ten new members and are adding a large room to their hall, the work being donated by members.

Ophir Grange is holding their own so far. They have not held a meeting since June due to most of their members working in the fruit. Help needy families.

All H.E. clubs in my district are outstanding. Everytime the Grange needs anything or help the H.E. come to the rescue.

Credit Union is very active. It was reported at the last meeting they now have over \$138,000. A good per cent of the members are interested in Credit Union.

Meadow Vista and Mt. Vernon Juvenile Granges are very active. Both of them had exhibits at the state fair and district fair. Their meetings are very well attended and they put on ritualistic work perfect. It won't be very long until

they will be very good Grange members.

Fraternally submitted,
ELDON GAGE
Deputy

SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY

Worthy Master, Officers and Delegates of the California State Grange, Greetings:

It is a pleasure to report to you as the new Deputy of the San Bernardino Pomona District. Our Granges in this district are keenly interested in the program of the state Grange and in the affairs of their respective communities. Four of the six Subordinates submitted excellent reports in the community service contest sponsored by the National Grange and I feel sure that the other two will enter and report on their activities during the 1956 contest year.

We have not made any substantial gain in membership during the past year but I promise you that we will not fail by default in 1956; we shall at least try to grow in numbers and service to make our communities better places in which to live.

We hope also to improve our ritualistic, parliamentary and legislative work, and to be better members of our order.

I wish to express my sincere appreciation for the honor of serving as Deputy of the finest family organization ever conceived by man.

J. C. RAINES
Deputy

SAN DIEGO COUNTY

Worthy Master, Officers and Members of the California State Grange:

The Granges of San Diego County Bring to all of you attending this 83rd annual Conference our best wishes and greetings.

Grange activities in our county have been very good this year, due to the excellent leadership and fine co-operation of the members.

Agriculture, Soil and Water Conservation, Community Service, Schools, and youth activities, were included in our projects and have been most helpful in many instances.

Grange feature exhibits were awarded a first, second, third, and fifth prize at our county fair and individual exhibits by members were decorated handsomely with blue ribbons.

Our annual F.F.A. award, this year a \$250 scholarship, again is an outstanding incentive to further education attracting fine competition.

San Marcos Grange Hall is now under construction and when completed will be the fifth Grange owned hall in San Diego County.

Fraternally submitted,
RAYMOND H. ZARBAUGH
Deputy

SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY

To the Officers and Members of the California State Grange,
Greetings:

San Joaquin County has had a successful year. Pomona has been meeting with the subordinates and the attendance has been fairly good.

There is room for improvement in subordinate attendance. However we hope it will improve as there seems to be quite a bit of Grange interest in the county.

Most of the Granges have had their Booster Night and they had a good attendance.

The Credit Union had a very good year, our assets are in excess of \$360,000 it is all loaned out, and we have had no

losses so far.

Very Fraternally,
ED MILLDRUM,
Deputy

SANTA CLARA AND SAN MATEO COUNTIES

Worthy Masters and Officers and Members of California State Grange, Greetings:

This report finds the following Granges in Santa Clara County jurisdiction, Mt. View, Sunnyvale, Orchard City, Cupertino, San Jose, Mt. Hamilton, Almaden, Coyote, Morgan Hill, Berryessa, Gilroy, and Los Gatos, and in San Mateo County, East Palo Alto Grange. Also in San Mateo County, Mort Kibler has just organized the Pescadero and Half Moon Bay Granges. I am glad for the able assistance of Marvin Keesling of Orchard City Grange to help in the installation of these Officers. And at this writing, these Granges are doing fine work in these communities.

We were more than delighted to have our State Master, George Sehlmeier, recently meet with the Officers of our County at the nearly completed Mt. Hamilton Grange Hall. Brother Sehlmeier discussed many timely problems, such as National Grange activities and local and State water problems. When completed, this Mt. Hamilton Grange hall, will be one of the finest in the State. Morgan Hill Grange has made many improvements to their Grange hall and grounds. All our Granges have been taking in several members, and the spirited meetings an inspiring. The fine work by Sister Mellott, of Almaden Grange and also State Youth Director, is outstanding. Sister Sheffer, our 5th District Home Economic Club Chairman is on the road almost continually to help the women's group. Her work at our County Fairs is most valuable.

All our Granges had booths at the Santa Clara County Fair, also many of our Home Economics Clubs entered feature booths. Several Grangers are on the Agricultural committees of the County Fair. Many of our Grange Booths took prizes in their divisions, and many Grangers took first, second and third prizes for their produce. Nearly every Grange entered the community service contest. And each Grange is

represented at this years Convention. Special praise is given to Frank Carey, our Pomona Master, for his wise leadership during the past year. Also to Al Christopher of Coyote Grange, who is President of our County Fair Association and Vice president of the Grangers Business Organization, Inc.

Fraternally,
J. C. GORDON,
Deputy

RIVERSIDE COUNTY

Worthy Master, Officers and Members of the California State Grange, Greetings:

Again it is a pleasure to report as Deputy from Riverside County.

The Granges in this County have made a fair gain in membership this year. All have been very active and much visiting has taken place among the members throughout the County.

As usual most of them have done well at the various Fairs in this area, all winning cash awards. One Juvenile Grange won first prize with a float in a large parade.

Home Economics Clubs have been very active and much good has been done for their communities.

Degree work among the Granges is outstanding and some teams have traveled outside the County to confer the degrees.

Our youngest Grange, Anza, has elected officers for 1956 and they were installed on October 1, 1955.

It has been an honor to serve the Grange as Deputy and it is my sincere wish that the Grange will continue its high standard of service to our County and mankind as it has done in the past.

Fraternally submitted,
SIDNEY M. RISPALJE,
Deputy.

SANTA CRUZ COUNTY

Worthy Master, Officers and Members of the California State

Grange:

I extend to you greetings from Santa Cruz County. It has indeed been a pleasure to serve as a deputy this past year in Santa Cruz County.

I conducted a joint installation of officers last January 14 in the Corralitos Grange Hall. Most of the officers of the five Subordinate and Pomona Granges were present. Later I attended each Grange and installed the officers who could not be present at the joint installation. I have been called upon several times to obligate a class of candidates.

Soquel Grange has almost doubled in membership since it was organized just a year ago. They have remodeled and enlarged their Grange Hall and acquired more property to increase the size of the lot. They have a "He Man" breakfast the first Sunday of each month and a card party the last Saturday of each month. They have been very active in their community service program especially relief for the needy families in the community where disaster has happened in the homes also sixty eight dollars for relief of the flood disaster in the eastern states and many other things too numerous to mention.

Santa Cruz Live Oak Grange has had to change their meeting place for a few months but are now located in the new school cafeteria and now have a fine large hall to meet in. They have taken in quite a number of new members this past year. They had a food booth at the County Fair and a number of other fund raising activities.

Roache Grange has conducted a well baby clinic each month, supported the Sky Watch Program at the airport, put on card parties and ham dinners to raise funds, and several other activities to benefit the community.

Madonna Grange has had several social functions and won second prize on their booth at the County Fair, also donated a bench to the Fair Grounds.

Corralitos Grange holds public dances twice each month, also card parties to raise funds. They sponsored a Junior Soft Ball Team and won the cup again this season. They also donated a bench to the County Fair Grounds.

All the H.E. Clubs in the County have been quite active.

Fraternally submitted,
RUSSELL SPAIN,
Deputy.

NORTHERN SONOMA COUNTY

To the California State Grange, Greetings:

My district is composed of nine Granges in northern Sonoma County.

I am pleased to report that the over all picture shows a gain for the year just passed.

The interest in nearly all of the Granges is good.

There has been two in the past year that have completed paying for their halls, namely, Windsor and Sebastopol. Others have made progress in repair and maintainance of their respective halls.

I have always tried to encourage the importance of being alert to all agriculture bills.

In November Bodega Bay Grange plans to start building their Grange hall. This leaves only three Granges out of the nine not having their own halls.

Fraternally submitted,
W. L. HEPWORTH,
Deputy.

SOUTHERN SONOMA COUNTY

Worthy Master, Officers, Delegates, and Members of the California State Grange, Greetings:

It is indeed a pleasure for me to report progress from most of our Granges in Southern Sonoma County for this year, although one or two Granges have lost in membership, the other Granges are gaining, and all are showing interest and working hard.

We have one degree team in Southern Sonoma County which exemplifies the first and second degrees in full, and two other teams which exemplifies the third and fourth degrees in full, and all three teams have been very busy all through the year, having conferred the degrees in nearly all the nineteen Granges in Sonoma County.

Sonoma County also has a Youth fifth degree team, which conferred the degree of Pomona on a large class of candidates in June of this year, and they do excellent work. The Youth Group is very active, having regular meetings, and social functions, which keep them interested and busy.

The Sonoma County Pomona Grange No. 1, has been very active the past year, having acted on many important resolutions. The standing committees have been very active, and have done excellent work.

The Lecturer, and H. E. Chairman, of Pomona have both been very active this past year.

On September 18, Sonoma County Pomona Grange celebrated its 80th Anniversary with about two hundred members and friends being present.

The Home Economic Committee's of nearly all Granges in this district are showing much interest, working hard, and accomplishing much for the benefit of their Granges.

Booster Nights have done much for the benefit of their Granges, to stir up interest in many of the Granges in this district making many new friends and bringing in new members.

Fraternally submitted,
R. W. HOBBS,
Deputy.

STANISLAUS COUNTY

Worthy State Master, Officers and Members of the California State Grange.

It is again my privilege to report to you as District Deputy of Stanislaus and Tuolumne Counties.

In the past year we have had very little change in our membership. All of our Subordinate Granges have been active with various projects in their own communities or at the Fair grounds, where the agricultural exhibits are put on by the Granges of Stanislaus County. The Sonora Grange had their usual booth at the Tuolumne County Fair. They also assisted at Turlock with the Stanislaus Pomona Grange Kitchen which has been successful since its beginning four years ago. We have served large picnic crowds and members of several conventions, the most recent being the California State Horsemen's Convention which met at Turlock in early October.

Our G.B.O. and Grange Credit Unions have been active and the Home Economic Clubs are completing various projects.

I expect to see my district well represented at the Convention.

Fraternally submitted,
ALFRED H. BOLTER,
Deputy.

TEHAMA COUNTY

Worthy Master, Officers and Members of the California State Grange, Greetings:

Again it is a privilege to report as Deputy for Tehama County.

We have had a satisfactory year — a small gain in membership. Our Granges all seem to be very active — one new hall dedicated. The Granges in our county took all the top prizes with their booths at the county fair.

We have two fine Degree teams — one Grange has a first and second Degree team and the county has a third fourth and fifth Degree team, they both do very nice work.

I hope to be with you during the Convention at Sacramento.

Fraternally submitted,
ASHLEY G. ROGERS,
Deputy.

TULARE COUNTY

Worthy Master, Officers and Members of the California State Grange, Greetings:

I have almost finished my first year as Deputy of Tulare County and it is with pleasure that I make this first report. It has been a year of many new experiences for me and I am grateful for the cooperation that I have received. I visited all the Granges during this year and several more than once by special invitation.

Tulare County has gained a lot of new members in 1955 but lost several due to death, demit and otherwise so that the over all gain has not been as much as we would like. Elbow Creek Grange had a fire which destroyed their hall and all contents but being a good working grange, they are going ahead with plans for a bigger and better hall. I believe all Grange halls have been improved this year.

The youth movement is going well and gaining all the time. The Louis Michalks, of Farmersville Grange, have a German exchange student for the year. He has spoken before many groups and is taking an active part in Grange activities.

The Tulare County Grange Federal Credit Union is gaining membership and making good progress. On the recommendation of the education committee, the board of directors approved a blanket bond to cover all officers so we could have a clerk in every Grange. They are getting new members and filling a real need by being available to subordinate Grange members. One of our Granges (Earlimart) is very weak and having a hard time holding on but with the cooperation of all concerned, we hope to see it back in good working condition.

I believe the Grange as a whole is gaining more recognition among city people and better cooperation from the farm advisors office and also the Farm Bureau. My wife and I attended a luncheon with the Russian farm delegation at the invitation of the Exeter Farm Bureau Center and received a royal welcome for the Grange.

The Home Economics sections of the Granges are doing a wonderful job of building the Grange both socially and financially. They have many projects but serving dinners is the biggest and most common. I am happy to report that I am

now a member of the Tulare County Pomona Home Economics Club.

West Visalia Grange, Tulare County's baby Grange, is going ahead with plans for a work center for the blind and is the only Grange in the county to enter the community service contest.

I called two masters' conferences this year and am glad to report they were received with much interest.

Fraternally submitted,
W. H. JETER,
Deputy.

YUBA AND SIERRA COUNTIES

Worthy Master, Officers and Members of the California State Grange, Greetings:

It has been a pleasure to serve as your District Deputy the past year. The Granges in my District are doing well this year. There has been some loss of membership due to members moving away but new ones have been taken in to keep the membership up.

I have visited my Granges at least twice during the past year, except Sierra Grange which I am sorry to report has been dormant this year. I especially wish to commend my home Grange, Brownsville Grange No. 708, for their excellent work in the opening and closing exercises. All Officers have their work committed to memory and their officer's march is wonderful.

I will not be able to attend all of the meetings during the convention but I will be present at most of the night sessions.

Respectfully submitted,
Deputy.
ROBERT D. MARTIN

California State Grange stands at ease at 4:15 until 7:30 P.M.

TUESDAY EVENING

Officers of the California State Grange were seated by the Assistant and Lady Assistant Stewards. The meeting was called to order by the Master and he in turn introduced the State Lecturer, Margaret Avery, who was in charge of the program.

Opening song by all: America.

Solo by Mrs. Dyhoff of Sacramento. — All Things Come Home At Eventide.

Drill: Vista Grange Drill Team — Under the direction of Margaret Saraco.

Solo: Effie Spencer — The Old Rugged Cross.

Solo: Mrs. Dyhoff — Hills of Home.

Monologue: Mr. Hartman — Hemet-San Jacinto Grange — 'Tis a Woman's World.

Introductions: Hilda L. Atkins, Past Lecturer California State Grange.

E. Lars Nelson, Master Washington State Grange
Ray Gill, Past Master Oregon State Grange.

Grange was closed in regular form in the fourth degree. State Lecturer then introduced Mrs. Mabel Glenn who had charge of the following Dedication of the Women's Building.

- 1.—Song: "Coronation" — Audience
- 2.—Invocation: Rev. W. A. Sanders of North Sacramento Methodist Church.
- 3.—Silver Anniversary record
- 4.—Music: Old Fashioned Garden — BEAUTIFICATION — Entrance of State Committee Ladies
- 5.—Bibles: Music — "Sweet Hour of Prayer" — Sandra Frey A Juvenile Prayer
- 6.—Education: George Lauman
- 7.—Song: "Trees" — Lathella Carlson — REDWOODS

8.—History Books

Scrap Books
Golden Inspiration Poems
Cookie Cookbook
Jingle books
Gift fund
H.E. Breakfast

9.—Music: "Bless This House" — Building Shown**10.—Presentation of gifts from seven districts****11.—Dedication****12.—Benediction: Rev. Sanders**

Grange members and visitors were entertained in the Memorial Auditorium Monday night prior to the opening of the 1955 convention. "The Grange Story," first feature length motion picture ever produced dramatizing the founding of the National Grange entertained those assembled. The remainder of the program was under the direction of local Grangers.

WEDNESDAY MORNING

The second days session of the California State Grange convened at 9:30 A.M. in the Municipal Auditorium. The divine blessing was invoked by the Chaplain and "God Bless America" was sung as the opening song.

The flag was presented by Patroness Ceres Marjorie Johnstone.

Roll call of officers found all officers present.

The journal of proceedings for Tuesday, October 18, was approved as read.

The Home Economics ladies, carrying lights of every description, were ushered in by the Assistant and Lady Assistant Stewards. The Master's station and the Executive Committee tables were covered with lights by the time all of the ladies had been seated and Mabel Glenn introduced. Each light contained money for the Women's Building fund.

Mt. Vernon Juvenile Grange made and presented corsages

and boutonniere's to the Officers and their wives or husbands.

The 1955 Booster Barrel contest drawing with Craig Hazelwood as Master of Ceremonies followed. He first introduced the Grange News Staff. The Booster Chairmen were seated on the stage and took part in the drawing.

Worthy Master named the Committees as follows:

The State Master appointed the following committees:

AGRICULTURE — George Crockett, Fred Farmer, Robert Wardlow, William F. Petersen, Frank Steiner.

CONSERVATION — Ralph Hobbs, Robert Null, Leona Sweringen, Lee Tripp, Myrtle Gallup.

CREDENTIALS — M. M. Kibler

DIVISION OF LABOR — Edward Thomas

ELECTIONS — Ed Milldrum, C. C. Ferguson, Lloyd Piper, Harry Dyer, Harry Lewis.

FARMERS OF THE SEA — Lewis Cavanaugh, Nellie Gillette, Mary Barrett, Florence McDougall, Joy K. Faught.

GOOD OF THE ORDER — Floyd E. White, C. C. Kofahl, Frank Carey, Bernice Gilgen, Carl Fiedler.

LEGISLATION — Kenneth C. Johnstone, Clarence Millius, Veril Campbell, Grant Petersen, Jack Morgan.

MILEAGE AND PER DIEM — Harry Barnes, Harry Schmidt.

RESOLUTIONS — J. B. Quinn

Community Service Awards given as follows: McArthur Grange First Place, two \$100 bonds and Plaque. Second Place, Eel River Grange, one \$100 bond and Plaque. Third place, Costa Mesa Grange, one \$50 bond and Plaque. Honorable mention as follows: Sonora, Palermo, Lake Earl, Pleasant Hill, Fort Bragg, Pine Creek, and Fair Oaks; each two \$25 bonds, former winners got a bar to attach on plaques received in previous years.

A motion was made that the Master appoint a committee to be known as the "Farmers of the Sea" committee, to be composed of five members. Motion seconded and carried.

The following deputies received recognition for 50 per cent or more of the Granges in their county participating in the Community Service Contest: J. C. Ranies, San Bernardino; Bert Pasco, South Humboldt; Herbert Bengard, San Benito; Lloyd Piper, Glenn County; Ernest Russell, Butte County and John Garaventa, Contra Costa County.

Nominations of Officers were as follows:

Master:

George Sehlmeier, Incumbent, Sacramento County
Edwin Koster, Stanislaus County

Overseer:

James White, Colusa County
George Critchett, Butte County
M. M. Kibler, Tulare County
John Rose, Riverside County
James True, Lake County

Lecturer:

Margaret Avery, Incumbent, Riverside County
Carl Fiedler, Contra Costa County
Ida Pasco, Humboldt County

Steward:

John Freitas, Incumbent, Sonoma County
Josias Saunders, Amador County
Clarence Millius, El Dorado County

Assistant Steward:

W. G. LaCaille, Incumbent, San Diego County
Melvin Hibdon, Glenn County

Chaplain:

Leta Littler, Incumbent, Los Angeles County
Viola Haddock, San Bernardino County

Treasurer:

Marshall Dopkins, Incumbent, Colusa County

Secretary:

Celia Harding, Incumbent, Fresno County
Eudora Harris, Monterey County
Zelma Eads, Solano County
Florence Kell, Butte County

Gatekeeper:

Bill Davis, Incumbent, Placer County
James Frost, Ventura County
Bill Anderson, Monterey County

Ceres:

Marjorie Mills, San Joaquin County
Lela Burch, Tehama County

Pomona:

Esther Williams, Incumbent, Humboldt County
Louise Crafts, Butte County
Marjorie Johnstone, San Benito County

Flora:

Effie Spencer, Incumbent, Santa Clara County
Mildred Spain, Santa Cruz County
Veronica Brown, Merced County
Jeanette Lindebeck, Napa County

Lady Assistant Steward:

Margaret Robinson, Incumbent, Sacramento County
Ola Dralle, Modoc County
Jane Tomrose, Sonoma County
Anna Burns, Contra Costa County

Pianist:

W. C. Campbell, Incumbent, Placer County

Executive Committee:

Jim Brown, Sutter County
Blaine Quinn, San Bernardino County
Joe De Bock, Butte County
Rubi Alberti, San Luis Obispo County
Frank Maxwell, Humboldt County

Invitation to Long Beach for 1956 convention given by Dwight Hansen, Master of West Los Angeles Grange.

Ballots ordered mimeographed and turned over to the Elections committee. Grange stood at recess until 1:45 P.M.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON

State Grange reconvened at 2 P.M. and stood at ease while Byron McMahan, Chief of Bureau of Agricultural Education, Joe Russ of Ferndale, California President of Future Farmers of America and Wesley Smith, State Director of Vocational Educational were escorted to the Master's station. Mr. McMahan was introduced and he in turn introduced Joe Russ who addressed the delegate body for the Future Farmers of America. He gave a very interesting talk on the activities of the Future Farmers.

Richard Tully of the Sacramento Convention Bureau thanked everyone for their cooperation and introduced Howard Jones from the Convention bureau of Long Beach, who brought greetings from Long Beach and extended an invitation to hold the 1956 convention in their city.

Clarence Murphy, Managing Director of the California Credit Union League was introduced and gave the Credit Union address. He outlined the duties of the different committees in the credit union. He commented that there is a more substantial development of the credit union in California than any other place in the United States. He said that thrift is the prime objective of the credit union.

Paige Harper, Manager, reported for the Granger's Business Organization as follows:

GRANGE BUSINESS ORGANIZATION REPORT

Worthy Master, Officers and Members:

It has been my privilege to report to you the operation of your Grangers Business Organization during the past year. The year just ended was the first year of operations under

our new contract with Tide Water Associated Oil Company, under which they undertook deliveries to all our members throughout the State. The year's operation was most successful, both in terms of profit and service.

It is with pride that we can report that during the past year dividends were declared and paid from profits amounting to approximately One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000.00). The quarterly cash dividend amounted to in excess of Seventy Thousand Dollars (\$70,000.00) and a bonus end of the year dividend, issued in certificate form, amounting to approximately Eighteen Thousand Dollars (\$18,000.00) were distributed. In addition to this savings on petroleum purchases by Grangers, they were also able to save at time of purchase of their tires, batteries, and auto accessories from the Tide Water Associated Oil Company bulk plants or tank drivers, one-third the cost of the above requirements.

During the year approximately four hundred G.B.O. Business Agents, acting in behalf of the G.B.O. within their respective Granges, were appointed. These Agents have been supplied with catalogues and descriptive literature on the products handled by the G.B.O. and available to Grange members under our cooperative program. So far the results of these Business Agents have been encouraging, and with your help we feel that this type of operation can be very successful.

In closing may I thank the Board of Directors of the G.B.O. who very unselfishly and willingly gave their time and assistance to G.B.O. affairs, as well as all Grangers who through their cooperation have made this co-op the success it has reached during the past year.

Fraternally submitted,
PAIGE L. HARPER,
Manager

Report of the California Grange News by Craig Hazelwood,
Managing Editor as follows:

GRANGE NEWS REPORT

The California Grange News now is the largest regularly published Grange periodical in the United States. Our four

editions — one for each part of the state — go to more than 29,000 Grange families in this state.

Just as our parent organization, the California State Grange, stands for the family farm — so do we stand behind the small community merchant. In each issue approximately 1,200 of these merchants from San Diego county to Del Norte county use our advertising columns.

Each Grange family throughout this state now receives the biggest paper in the 23 year history of the Grange News — more pages, in fact, than our income from advertising would justify.

Although the general rule in the newspaper business is that a paper's advertising volume decide the number of pages to be printed, we have taken the opposite view. That is, the number and length of news reports received from Pomona and Subordinate correspondents has for us decided this question.

We are proud — immensely proud — that the increasing volume of news has made necessary these extra pages. It is decisive evidence of the great activity of the Granges in California — and, to us at the Grange News, heartening proof of the ever-growing interest in the paper.

From a production point of view, these extra pages have become possible due to a change of printers in early Spring of this year. With this change we graduated from what is known as a flat bed press, which can print only a limited number of pages at a time, to a modern high speed rotary with unlimited capacity. For the first time, we now are able to brighten our pages with color, an added incentive to advertisers, and to make the pages more attractive because of a far wider variety of type. This shop is located only a few miles from the Grange office.

One of our major problems has been to see that a copy of the paper reaches every family. Because many of you have written us of this matter, here is some background.

When the paper was in another community, 20 miles away, that is until the first of May this year — distance alone prevented the staff from exercising proper supervision over the mailing list. Over a period of years the circulation list became more and more snarled; indeed, when the files were

moved to the new printer, an independent circulation expert described them as — quote — “The worse mess I have ever seen”.

To give you two brief illustrations. In 1954 we were charged for over 13,000 changes of address. This would have meant that almost half our entire circulation list — in other words, half the Grange families — either moved or were given new addresses within the space of a year. The normal rate as set by circulation men for a publication of our type is about 2-3,000 per year at the most.

The list had deteriorated to such an extent that the representative of the Audit Bureau of Circulation, an organization which verifies newspaper circulation lists, advised us to go on voluntary suspension from their service until the damage could be repaired.

Since then we have completely remade the circulation list. There still are many Grangers who do not receive a paper — some who may receive two — but each month the number of changes decreases sharply. By December, when the Audit Bureau of Circulation visits us again, we expect to have an excellent list.

A mailing list is far more complicated than most people realize. We of the Grange News staff appreciate the fine spirit and cooperation of the members in helping us to get this matter straightened out.

There is one aspect of our 1954 Booster Barrel contest to which I feel the membership is entitled to an explanation. Last year many of you will recall the long wait, the voluminous correspondence, before the prizes won in last year's contest were delivered. Suffice to say that arrangements for these prizes made by previous advertising personnel either were loose or in a few cases — nonexistent. This delay not only preyed upon the goodwill of the members — but as well delayed promotion of this years contest until December.

This year the State Master requested that before any prize be announced in the paper — that the merchandise be on hand at the GRANGE NEWS office.

The State Master has mentioned to you the move by the National Grange to place a free copy of their magazine in every Grange home. This would entirely duplicate the circu-

lation of the four far West papers comprising the Pacific Grange farm group — Washington, Oregon, Idaho and California. This is a grave threat to our national advertising lineage since agencies are reluctant to duplicate circulation. We regret to say the National Grange does not seem to be concerned over the impact of their plan upon the PGF papers. They say it will not effect us. We hope they are right.

This has been a difficult year for the Grange News; one critical problem after another has presented itself. But with the wise counsel and assistance of the State Grange Executive Committee and the State Master, we end the fiscal year strong and with optimism.

Editor
CRAIG HAZELWOOD,

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS

Credentials report given by M. M. Kibler as follows:

POMONA GRANGES

Antelope Valley — Jack Hilke Morgan and Helen Morgan
Butte — Leona Sweringen and Floyd Sweringen
Colusa — Hugh Butler and Monica Butler
Contra Costa — Albert C. Treete and Ada Treete
Del Norte — Leo Kloske and Minnie Kloske
El Dorado-Amador — Clarence S. Millius and Margaret Millius
Fresno — Elmer Carlson and Corene Carlson
Glenn — Clifton Huffmaster and Bernadine Huffmaster
Humboldt — Edward Burgess and Gwyneth Burgess
Kern — C. C. Kofahl and Maggie Kofahl
Kings — Leonard Flood and Clara Flood
Lake — Grant Peterson
Lassen — James T. Peterson
Los Angeles — George Bode and Laurabel Bode
Mendocino — Arthur Burke and Delphene Burke
Merced — William F. Petersen
Modoc — Robert K. Minto and Eldora Minto
Mojave Valley — Clarence Rieman and Dorothy Rieman
Monterey — Laurel Geiger and Rhoda Geiger
Napa — Clarence Smith and Violet Smith
Orange — Robert Wardlow and Lida Wardlow
Placer Nugget — Clarence Hoyt and Ruby Hoyt

Plumas-Sierra — Paul L. Stewart and Myrtle Stewart
Riverside — John M. Rose and Ethel Rose
Sacramento — Percy R. Simons and Fannie Simons
San Benito — Kenneth C. Johnstone and Marjorie Johnstone
San Bernardino — Floyd E. White and Lois J. White
San Diego — H. L. Arthurs and Astrid Arthurs
San Fernando Valley — Lee Tripp and Mildred Tripp
San Joaquin — Robert Peters and Mrs. Robert Peters
San Luis Obispo — S. A. Marshall and Mary Lou Marshall
Santa Barbara — Veril Campbell and Gertie Campbell
Santa Clara — Frank E. Carey and Marian Carey
Santa Cruz — Veryl Thornton
Shasta — Leo Park and Ella Park
Siskiyou — Philip Toleman and Vera Toleman
Solano — Frank Steiner and Rose Steiner
Sonoma — Ralph Hobbs and Delia Hobbs
Stanislaus — Halbert Heath and Elsie Heath
Sutter — James Brown and Hazel Brown
Tehama — Joe F. Birmingham and Lillian Birmingham
Trinity — C. C. Chandler
Tulare — George Crockett and Nellie Crockett
Yuba-Sierra — Willis E. Hanson and Edna L. Hanson

SUBORDINATE GRANGES

AMADOR COUNTY

Ione — Andrew A. Fitzgerald and Ruby Fitzgerald
Shenadoah Willow Springs — Fred Waters and Edith Waters

BUTTE COUNTY

Berry Creek — Not represented
Biggs — Blanche Gearhart and Arthur Gearhart
Chico — Jesse Bachman
Concow — J. D. Lockridge
Durham — George Naugle
Gridley — Emmett Hulen and Maude Hulen
Magalia — Not represented
Mountain Springs — Verda Wick
Palermo — Robert Grady and Dee Grady
Paradise — William L. Mayhew and Evelyn E. Mayhew
Thermalito — Cloyce Pennock and Myrtle Pennock
Wyandotte — Charles H. Hauser and Elizabeth Hauser

CALAVERAS COUNTY

Calaveras — Percy Hunt and Mrs. Percy Hunt

COLUSA COUNTY

Arbuckle — Marshall Dopkins and Gertrude Dopkins
Colusa — Mrs. Gertie Bressler
Maxwell — Not represented
Stonyford — Not represented
Williams — James White

CONTRA COSTA COUNTY

Clayton — John L. Garaventa
Danville — Carle A. Fiedler and Katherine Fiedler
Diablo Valley — A. C. Anderson and Marie Anderson
Martinez — Henry M. Center and Ruth Center
Pleasant Hill — Anna Martin and Lester Martin

DEL NORTE COUNTY

Crescent Redwood — Harry Manning
Klamath Valley — Pansy Froom
Lake Earl — Jack Bennett and Leontine Bennett

EL DORADO COUNTY

Gold Trail — Not represented
Hangtown — Z. H. Hendricks and Pearl Hendricks
Marshall — Fred Montgomery and Ruth Montgomery
Pilot Hill — Georgia Gardner and Albert Gardner
Pleasant Valley — Exye Groves
Three Forks — William Klare
United Rescue — Pearle Wing

FRESNO COUNTY

Caruthers — John Barber and Elizabeth Barber
Central — Russell Konkel and Fern Konkel
Clovis — George D. Woodard and Faye Woodard
Coalinga — Barbara Nunez
Easton — Dan Patch and Viola Patch
Fowler — Lester Cederquist and Nellie Cederquist
James Ranch — Celia Maddox and Al Maddox
Kerman — John T. Taylor and Mary Jane Taylor
Kingsburg — C. Fred Stone and Vendla Stone
Reedley — Paul Ebner and Susie Ebner
Riverdale — Charles Baldwin and Bonnie Baldwin
Roeding — Henry Hartwick and Marie Hartwick

Sanger — Myrtle Simpson
Selma — Frank E. Case and Millie Case

GLENN COUNTY

Elk Creek — Ida Green
Golden State — A. J. Overholtzer and Sue Overholtzer
Jacinto — Edythe Mapes
Orland — Melvin T. Hibdon and Louise Hibdon

HUMBOLDT COUNTY

Alderpoint — Dean Briggs and Alice Briggs
Bayside — Frank Maxwell and Elsie Maxwell
Dow's Prairie — Rush Dolson
Eel River Valley — Byron G. Nason
Ettersburg — Dormant
Fieldbrook — Algot Zetterberg and Eleanor Zetterberg
Freshwater — Sam M. Williams
Garberville — Charles E. Kirk and Dara Lee Kirk
Harris — Not represented
Humboldt — Graham Wagenfuhr and Daisy Wagenfuhr
Mad River — Fred Smith and Eva Smith
Mattole — Mildred Adams
Miranda — Curtis Betts and Jane Betts
Orick Valley — Edward T. Howell and Elaine E. Howell
Redwood — Antonio Machado and Marie Machado
Rohner — Ernest Carter and Myrtle Carter
Van Duzen River — Floyd Davis and Jennie Davis
White Thorn — Dorothy Bernest

KERN COUNTY

Buttonwillow — Dormant
Delano — C. R. Thomas and Hazel Thomas
Fairfax — June Crow
McFarland — Not represented
Panama — Gilbert O. Dalton and Mrs. Dalton
Rosedale — Ewel A. Shelton and Ethel Shelton
Tehachapi — Not represented
Wasco — Not represented
Weed Patch — John Luhmann

KINGS COUNTY

Armona — John de Groot and Nina de Groot
Central Union — Not represented

Island — Not represented
Kings River — Alan Turner and Mildred Turner
Riverbend — Marie Workman and Laurence Workman

LAKE COUNTY

Bachelor Valley — Donald E. Clay and Norma Clay
Clear Lake — Lester Boardman
East Lake — Not represented
Guenoc — Andrew Pedro and Betty Pedro
Kelseyville — Alice E. Trimble
Konocti — George Rice and Bernice Rice
Scotts Valley — Not represented

LASSEN COUNTY

Janesville — Not represented
Johnstonville — Frances Acord
Standish — Not represented

LOS ANGELES COUNTY

(Antelope Valley Pomona)

Alpine — Leon Honor and Mary Honor
Del Sur — Herman Krueger and Doris Krueger
Joshua Tree — Vern Kief and Zetteth Kief
Quartz Hill — Loyd B. Pond and Nancy D. Pond
Wildflower — Reuben L. Krave and Viola M. Krave
Yucca — Verne G. Cory and Myrtie Cory
Durfee — Virgie M. Cox
Fair Valley — Angeline Stewart
Ranchito — George Stinebaugh and Audrey Stinebaugh
San Dimas — Charline Todd

LOS ANGELES COUNTY

(San Fernando Pomona)

Chatsworth — Not represented
L. A. Harbor Area (changed to Orange County)
Roscoe — Charles W. Chance
Val Verde — Elmer Frieburg and Mrs. Frieburg
West Los Angeles — Dwight O. Hansen and Mildred Hansen
Winnetka Center — George Rendahl and Mellie Rendahl

MADERA COUNTY

Dixieland-Berenda —

Madera — Jack G. Georinger and Betty Georinger

MENDOCINO COUNTY

Anderson Valley — Elizabeth Clark and Fred Clark

Comptche — Lena Meshishnek

Fort Bragg — Richard Mattila and Maxine Mattila

Garcia — Ella Walker

Laytonville — Not represented

Little Lake — Wilson F. Page and Gracie Page

Potter Valley — Not represented

Redwood Valley — Mrs. Harriet Heth and Mr. Heth

Ukiah — Bernice V. Gilgen

Whiteboro — Paul Wildermuth and Alfreda Wildermuth

MERCED COUNTY

Applegate — Not represented

Bear Creek — Don Mayes and Betty Mayes

Delhi — Florence Shaffner

Dos Palos — Hugo Harman and Merry Harman

El Nido — Not represented

Hilmar — LaVern Erickson

Hopeton — Not represented

Le Grand — A. Ervin Jackson

Los Banos — C. D. Fastenau and Lorna Fastenau

Merced Colony — H. T. Whitley

New Era — Harry Schmidt and May Schmidt

Winton — Glen H. Brown and Veronica Brown

MODOC COUNTY

Alturas — Not represented

Cedar — Not represented

Davis Creek — Dan W. Casey and Mary Casey

Eagle — Not represented

Lookout — Albert Joiner and Lillian Joiner

Mt. Bidwell — Not represented

MONTEREY COUNTY

Alisal — Not represented
Aromas — Don Kingsford and Iris Kingsford
Big Sur — Paul C. Hettich and Frances J. Hettich
Buena Vista — Not represented
Corral De Tierra — Janet L. Hatton
Greenfield — James Burris and Emily Burris
Green Gold — Not represented
Marina — Eugene Cunningham and Ruby Cunningham
Monterey Bay — Howard Ober and Caroline Ober
Parkfield — Not represented
Prunedale — Chester Deaver and Doris Deaver
San Bernardo — Not represented
Springfield — Harvey Harris and Eudora Harris

NAPA COUNTY

Napa — Albert C Buchta and Maude Buchta
Rutherford — Rey Knight and Mary Knight
Silverado — S. H. Abel and Catherine Abel
Welcome — Lloyd A. Cook and Sophia Cook

NEVADA COUNTY

Banner — Charles Kitts
Golden Highway — Inactive - not represented

ORANGE COUNTY

Anaheim — Leroy G. Cook and Dollie Cook
Centralia — Harley Wilder
Costa Mesa — Harold Kyle and Alice Kyle
Garden Grove — Chas. George and Lula George
La Habra — Not represented
Newport Harbor — James Martin and Louella Martin
Tustin — Lester Woodward
Winterburg — Leonard M. Ravenscroft - Ada M. Ravenscroft
L. A. Harbor Area — George J. Anderson - Alleyne Anderson

PLACER COUNTY

Gold Hill — Anna C. Daniels
Long Valley — Mr. Myrel Carman
Loomis — Betty Johnson

Meadow Vista — Vesta Giacomazzi
Mt. Vernon — May Ormsby and Clarence Ormsby
Ophir — Charles L. Stark and Lila S. Stark
Placer Foothill — Not represented
Sierra Nevada — Florence Williams

RIVERSIDE COUNTY

Alessandro Valley — John Descher and Celia Descher
Anza — Not represented
Cherry Valley — William Griffiths and Henrietta Griffiths
Glen Avon — Al Davis and Estell Davis
Hemet-San Jacinto — Robert Hartman
Mission — Lloyd Avery and Margaret Avery
Murrieta — Not represented
Norco — Harleigh Gallup and Myrtle A. Gallup
Nuevo-Lakeview — W. F. Eaton and Triphosa Eaton
Palm — Mayme Hill
Rubidoux — Harvey F. Meyer
Twin Butte — Andre Gootjes and Alice Gootjes

SACRAMENTO COUNTY

American River — Margaret Robinson
Antelope — Orville Olinghouse and Violet Olinghouse
Elk Grove — Orville Briggs
Fair Oaks — Floyd Green and Myrtle Green
Orangevale — Bertrand W. Lute and Marian Lute
Rio Linda — Wm. D. Ellsworth and Teckla Ellsworth
Sacramento — Henry A. Brusven
Valley Oaks — Vernon R. Lowell and Bernice R. Lowell

SAN BENITO COUNTY

Bitterwater — Not represented
Hollister — Mrs. Lena Magladry
San Juan — Wm. F. Gillett

SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY

(Mojave Valley Pomona)
Adelanto — Beryl De Cardoville and Marie De Cardoville
Apple Valley — R. S. Osborn and Dora Osborn
Hesperia — Audrey Stone

Hinkley Valley — Paul Walker and Ruth Walker
Lucerne Valley — Edna Inslie and Clifford Inslie
Oro Grande — Wm. M. Hewson and Lottie Hewson
Phelan — Frances B. McAllister and I. M. McAllister

SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY

(San Bernardino Pomona)

Chino Valley — G. A. Hackler
Del Rosa — Frances Neumayer and Frances Neumayer
Devore — Clara Wallace
Fonbloom — Hugh C. Palmer and Nettie Palmer
Muscovy — Floyd W. Hall and Golda Hall
Yucaipa Valley — Jackson C. Raines and Doris L. Raines

SAN DIEGO COUNTY

Encinitas — Elmer Sherman and Bernice Sherman
Fallbrook — Theresa Fleming and James Fleming
Julian — Fred Farmer and Margaret Farmer
Pauma Valley — Martha Morse
Rainbow Valley — S. E. Rafter and Jessie Rafter
Ramona — J. E. Mitchell and Mildred Mitchell
San Diego Harbor — Albert B. Price and Rosemary Price
San Marcos — Not represented
Valley Center — Harry W. Batcher and Emma Batcher
Vista — Raymond H. Zarbaugh and Peggy G. Zarbaugh

SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY

Escalon — Robert Null and Della Null
French Camp-Lathrop — Not represented
Lockeford District — John P. Mills and Marjorie Mills
Manteca District — Kenneth Pennebaker - Ellen Pennebaker
Ripon — F. M. Sanford and Edith Sanford
Stockton — Merle Cortner and Bessie Cortner
Tracy — Jane Lytle
Woodbridge — Marion T. Williams and Marion G. Williams

SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY

Atascadero — James S. Kenny and Ingenora Kenny
Cal-Poly State College — Derrence Kernek - Yvonne Kernek
El Paso De Robles — Lyman E. Averill and Blanch Averill
Estrella — Albert Winkler and Gonda Winkler

Grover City — James L. Dykes and Rose Dykes
Morro Bay — Neils Jeppesen and Eunice Jeppesen
San Luis Obispo — Rubie Alberti and Plinio Alberti
Shandon — Not represented
Triangle — Lucy E. Holcomb and Jay B. Holcomb

SAN MATEO COUNTY

East Palo Alto — Charlotte Pfeffer and Walter Pfeffer
Half Moon Bay — Joseph H. Marsh and Mary Joe Marsh
Pescadero — Ward R. Williamson and Clara Williamson

SANTA BARBARA COUNTY

Goleta Valley — George Yabsley and Cartha Yabsley
Lompoc — Bessie Davison
Los Alamos Valley — Mary Serpa
Santa Ynez Valley — Annie Lang
Sisquoc — Not represented

SANTA CLARA COUNTY

Almaden — J. Ray Tonkin and Augusta Tonkin
Berryessa — Not represented
Coyote — Melvin J. Fairbanks
Cupertino — George Loyst and Tillie Loyst
Gilroy — Herman Reif
Los Gatos — A. J. Emery and Elizabeth Emery
Morgan Hill — Ralph W. Hartwell and Abbie Hartwell
Mountain View — Martha Ainsworth
Mt. Hamilton — Edw. Thomas and Violet Thomas
Orchard City — Herbert Shadle and Katherine Shadle
San Jose — H. W. King
Sunnyvale — Emmett Ivery and Wilma Ivery

SANTA CRUZ COUNTY

Corralitos — Russell Spain and Mildred Spain
Madonna — Harry Farris
Roache — Alvin Richardson and Grace Richardson
Santa Cruz-Live Oak — Agnes M. Urman
Soquel — Arthur H. Olson and Mabel Olson

SHASTA COUNTY

Anderson — Beth Hawes
Buckeye — Not represented
Castle — Iyone Radtke

Fall River — Not represented
Happy Valley — Not represented
Hat Creek — Mrs. A. L. Doty
McArthur — Robert Ingram and Mrs. Lois Ingram
Millville — Hilda Atkins and Clint Atkins
Montgomery — Not represented
Mt. Lassen — Roland Bates and Elma Bates
Ono — Addie Graves
Redding — Mary E. Brown

SIERRA COUNTY

Sierra — Not Represented
Siskiyou County — Not represented
Gazelle — Not represented
Greenhorn — Wayne O. Ralston and Haldis Ralston
Happy Camp — Not represented
Hornbrook — Not represented
Mt. Bolivar — Hugh Duffy
Scott Valley — Not represented
Tulelake — Not represented

SOLANO COUNTY

Dixon — Otto Bruhn and Bess Bruhn
Tolenas — Raymond O. Eittreim and Rose M. Eittreim
Vacaville — Herman Bascherini and Celestine Bascherini

SONOMA COUNTY

Bellevue — John Anderson and Eunice Anderson
Bennett Valley — Peter Stefenoni and Mabel Stefononi
Bodega Bay — Roy K. Faught
Cloverdale — Not represented
Cotati — Tom Moyle, Sr. and Sylvia Moyle
Forestville — Ethel Filieau
Freestone — Carl Ballard and Mary Ballard
Geyserville — Not represented
Hall District — Lillian Attwood and Cecil Attwood
Hessel — Myrtle Dilley and Harold Dilley
Penngrove — Jane Tomrose
Petaluma — Alice Cannon
Progressive — P. E. Markham and Lucile Markham
Ricon Valley — William Gray and Evelyn Gray
Santa Rosa — A. L. Bennett

Sebastopol — W. L. Hepworth and Etna Hepworth
Sonoma Valley — Chas. Dyslin and Marie Dyslin
Two Rock — H. P. Kristensen and Clara Kristensen
Windsor — Lee Zeigenfuss and Jewell Zeigenfuss

STANISLAUS COUNTY

Ceres — Leslie E. Gagnebin
Dry Creek — V. R. Parrish and Blanche Parrish
Empire — Roy L. Holmes and Mrs. Roy Holmes
Gratton — Ernest A. Reinitz and Lydia Reinitz
Keyes — Alfred H. Bolter
Oakdale — John H. Schneider and Maletha Schneider
Prescott — Richard W. Fiscus and Pearl B. Fiscus
Riverbank — Roy Maramonte and Emma Maramonte
Shiloh — Robert C. Genn
Stanislaus-Mt. View — Not represented
Turlock — Charlie Belle Johnson
Waterford — Fred Newbill and Mildred Newbill
Westport — Not represented
Wood Colony — F. J. Lawrence and Evelyn Lawrence

SUTTER COUNTY

General Sutter — Robert Ziegenmeyer
Live Oak — Not represented
South Sutter — C. J. Pinkerman

TEHAMA COUNTY

Capay — Heddy Brown
El Camino — Mr. Pearl Kast and Mae Kast
Independent — Not represented
Los Molinos — U. S. Little and Freida Little
Manton — Fredrick Green and Bessie Green
Maywood — Wahle Lachenmyer and Hazel Lachenmyer
Pine Creek — Joseph Golonka
West Side — Vaughn Hurt and Lillie Hurt

TRINITY COUNTY

Hayfork Valley — Not represented
Lake Mountain — Not represented
North Fork — Ola Peterson

Trinity River — Not represented
Trinity Valley — Carl Abarr and Merle Abarr
Zenith — Edward Burgess

TULARE COUNTY

Alpaugh — Not represented
Dinuba — Samuel Nielson
Earlimart — W. W. McIntire and Ruby A. McIntire
Elbow Creek — Francis Johnson and Willie Mae Johnson
Farmersville — Alvin Rauth and Blanche Rauth
Poplar — John Marshall and Rena Marshall
Porterville — Not represented
Springville — S. B. Cullen and Myrtle Cullen
Tulare — W. H. Jeter and Mrs. Jeter
West Visalia — Uda D. Cox and Charlotte Cox

TUOLUMNE COUNTY

Sonora — George Baker

VENTURA COUNTY

Fillmore — Carrie Apperson
La Avenida — Olive L. Walters
Ojai Valley — Frank Eakin and Lois Eakin

YOLO COUNTY

Western Yolo — Norman Billing and Vera Billing
Yolo — Pluma Harley and Emerson Harley

YUBA COUNTY

Brownville — Arthur Mervin
Lake Francis — Not represented
Ostrom — C. Wesley Reed and Alma Reed

Fraternally submitted,
M. M. KIBLER

Meeting stood at recess while Charles Lambert, President of the Water and Power Users Association was introduced and addressed the assembly.

Paul Putnam, California Physicians Service representative, gave the annual report for California Physicians Service and stated that a representative would be present to answer any questions.

Balloting declared open by the worthy master.

Home Economics report given by Mabel Glenn.

Worthy Master, Officers and members of the California State Grange, Greetings:

1955 marks a milestone in the women's work of the Grange. It was 25 years ago the Home Economic Department was organized, here in California. To-day, we meet here once more, in our Capital City, to give account of our talents. Taking for our theme project this year, "The Lights of Home." 330 Subordinate H.E. clubs and 42 Pomona clubs have responded with reports. In 6 months \$11,435 in funds have been made available to charitable causes, with many hundred worth-while acts of service to humanity; both at home and overseas assistance.

The educational loan fund has received \$501.17 and nine loans have been made. Fourteen Bibles have been placed the past year; eight subordinate and six Juvenile Granges out of a \$63.00 Bible Fund. 17 district meetings have been held in the 7 districts which have reached over 3,000 people — preceeding district meeting, Pomona Home Economics are held as best suits the needs and purposes of the women of the Grange in each County.

Over the years, many worth-while State projects have been accomplished. First, is the advantage of meeting together, for in unity is strength. Second, a system of rules was adopted to be governed by. Third. Hand Books.

4. Systematic reporting by suitable report blanks.
5. Home Economic names printed in the Roster.
6. Award prize money.
7. Systematic gift giving
8. Educational Loan Fund stimulated.
9. Bibles to new Granges.

10. Bronze markers placed for deceased Past State Masters.
11. Council chair to National Grange.
12. Seven districts set up.
13. Beautification projects.
14. Funds for Redwood Grove conservation.
15. Womens' Building and dedication.

Two H.E. articles a month for the Grange News as well as special news articles from each of the 7 district chairmen, have furnished the membership news of each district.

12 days were spent at the California State Fair in the interest of the Grange.

Reports show 20 welfare organizations assisted.

National wheel of progress achievement reports were submitted. Grange prizes were awarded to following:

1. Sonora — \$20.00
2. Martinez — \$15.00
3. Gridley — \$10.00
4. Yucaipa — \$5.00

THE NATIONAL SEWING CONTEST

Curtains:

1. Evelyn Kibfish
2. Arthur Chandler
3. Velma North

Dusters:

1. Donna Hill
2. Betty Lou Hansen
3. Annete Pierce

Squaw Skirts:

1. Kathy Riggs
2. Margaret Ball
3. Vicke Hankins

Stuffed Toys:

1. Linda Hansen
2. Cynethia Willich
3. Laurel Brennan

That we have leadership and cooperation, has been shown by the response to our Womens' Building Projects. The goal of years toil has been accomplished and on this, the 25th anniversary of H.E. work, here in our State, we have built and dedicated this building, a fitting tribute to Women's Work for the Grange.

The social and recreational part of the H.E. Department is had, through the H.E. breakfast planned for our enjoyment each year, for having broken the bread of fellowship and fraternity, we part with a burst of song and pleasant memories; some 600 attendance.

To those district chairmen, who have so ably served and the loyal workers all over the State, I wish to express my sincere appreciation for their interest, cooperation, and continued activity in the Home Economic Program.

Fraternally submitted,
MABEL GLENN

Sister Glenn presented a beautiful clock to the worthy master and his wife from the Home Economics Clubs over the state. Grange stood at ease at 5:10 until 7 P.M.

WEDNESDAY EVENING

Grange reconvened at 8 P.M. Booster barrel prizes awarded as follows:

GRANGE WINNERS — 1955

1.—Hot point Refrigerator

Grange: Cotati

County: Sonoma

Booster Chairman: Helen Ramsey

2.—Roto Mower & Roto-Shear Electric Lawn Edger

Grange: Bear Creek

County: Merced

Booster Chairman: Harriet McMillen

3.—Blair Rotary Power Mower

Grange: Phelan

County: San Bernardino

Booster Chairman: Francis McAllister

BOOSTER CHAIRMAN WINNERS

NORTHERN AREA:

1. \$25.00

Name: Helen Ramsey

Grange: Cotati — Sonoma County

2. \$15.00

Name: Ella Barnes

Grange: Freshwater — Humboldt County

3. \$10.00

Name: W. D. Ellsworth

Grange: Rio Linda — Sacramento County

CENTRAL AREA:

1. \$25.00

Name: Harriet McMillen

Grange: Bear Creek — Merced County

2. \$15.00

Name: Lillian Silva

Grange: Applegate — Merced County

3. \$10.00

Name: Floyd Patterson

Grange: Coyote — Santa Clara County

SOUTHERN AREA:

1. \$25.00

Name: Francis McAllister

Grange: Phelan — San Bernardino County

2. \$15.00

Name: Emily Deutschman

Grange: Glen Avon — Riverside County

3. \$10.00

Name: Hazel Lewis

Grange: Yucca — Los Angeles County

CONTEST PRIZES — 1955

1. Two Trips to Hawaii Via Transocean Airlines,
Won by: J. E. Annand
Grange: Hollister
2. Weeks Vacation at Palm Springs Pueblo Hotel,
Won by: Andrew Costa
Grange: Coyote
3. Scraper with Subsoil Points,
Won by: Nellie Hyman
Grange: Fort Bragg
4. Oliver 11" Spring Tooth Harrow,
Won by: Earl Crain
Grange: Gridley
5. Portable Holiday Barbecue,
Won by: Albert Hooper
Grange: Escalon
6. Sunbeam Shavemaster,
Won by: Mrs. N. P. Nilsen
Grange: Pelan
7. Schick Shaver,
Won by: Harold Van Nortwich
Grange: Fonbloom
8. 4 Quart Presto Cooker,
Won by: Malenda Brown
Grange: Pine Creek
9. Walking Water Sprinkler,
Won by: Lillie Belle Turner
Grange: Dows Prairie
10. 14" Stanley Block Plane,
Won by: Floyd Hall
Grange: Muscoy
11. Universal Automatic Iron,
Won by: Margaret Thompson
Grange: El Camino
12. Maxaw Skillsaw,
Won by: Mr. A. Anderson
Grange: Magalia
13. Universal Hotplate,

- Won by: Doris Wymore
Grange: Fieldbrook
14. Garden Wheelborrow,
Won by: Louise B. Crafts
Grange: Palermo
15. Wrought Iron Plant Stand,
Won by: Carrie Ramelli
Grange: Coyote
16. Socket Tool Set,
Won by: Betty Stapp
Grange: El Camino
17. (2) Ratchet Screw Drivers,
(1) Won by: Ada Hollister
Grange: Hollister
(2) Won by: Edith Bean
Grange: Wyandotte
18. (2) Stanley Block Planes (7"),
(1) Won by: Julius Carlson
Grange: Mission
(2) Won by: Grace Davis
Grange: Riverdale
19. (3) Pyrex dinnerware Sets,
(1) Won by: Arthur Beatie
Grange: Anderson Grange — Shasta County
(2) Won by: Lucy A. Duffey
Grange: Fort Bragg
(3) Won by: Don DeAngelo
Grange: Lake Earl
20. Sheffield Steak Knives,
Won by: Joseph Galonka
Grange: Pine Creek
21. 50' Plastic Hose,
Won by: Joe DeBock
Grange: Chico — Butte County
22. (30) Pair of Levi's,
(1) Won by: Mary E. Sutton
Grange: Soquel
(2) Won by: Alex Christie
Grange: Fieldbrook — Humboldt County
(3) Won by: George Wilson, Sr.
Grange: Rio Linda — Sacramento County
(4) Won by: Herbert Sorenson
Grange: Dows Prairie
(5) Won by: Gladys Firch
Grange: Escalon

- (6) Won by: Bud Gregg
Grange: Kerman — Fresno County
- (7) Won by: W. C. Albaugh
Grange: McArthur
- (8) Won by: Ida Pasco
Grange: Humboldt
- (9) Won by: Leo Zietz
Grange: Glen Avon — Riverside County
- (10) Won by: George Ragan
Grange: Palermo
- (11) Won by: Newton Roberts
Grange: Riverdale
- (12) Won by: Effie McGoncal
Grange: Paradise
- (13) Won by: Ernest Whisman
Grange: Chico
- (14) Won by: Roland Johnson
Grange: Redwood
- (15) Won by: Orville Briggs
Grange: Elk Grove
- (16) Won by: Wm. Walsh
Grange: Whitesboro
- (17) Won by: Nellie Kaiser
Grange: Riverbend
- (18) Won by: Louis Rice
Grange: Yucaipa Valley
- (19) Won by: Lois Hutt
Grange: Cotati
- (20) Won by: Rosetta Flory
Grange: Joshua Tree
- (21) Won by: Bertha Gabriel
Grange: Applegate
- (22) Won by: Mary Casey
Grange: Davis Creek
- (23) Won by: Homer White
Grange: Oro Grande
- (24) Won by: Della Holdson
Grange: Orangevale
- (25) Won by: Amber Nunnemaker
Grange: Clearlake
- (26) Won by: Myrtle Bowie
Grange: Sonoma Valley
- (27) Won by: Owen Pike
Grange: Palm

(28) Won by: James Gowdy
Grange: Quartz Hill
(29) Won by: Alva Rouch
Grange: Kingsburg
(30) Won by: Viola Anderson
Grange: Kings River

Youth Committee program presented under direction of
Augusta Melott, Youth Director of California State Grange.

YOUTH PROGRAM

Program Chairman Patricia McKee
Presentation of Gift to State Master
Youth Entertainment:

1. Alice Creasy — Monologue — Everybody Gets It
2. Genevieve Warner — Song — The Bible Tells Me So

-Accompanied by Mrs. Melott

3. Theo Winarske — Harmonica — Own Selections
4. Ginger Allen — Piano — Crying in The Chapel
5. Doris Cannon — Song — It's No Secret
6. Theo Winarske — Whistle — Own Selections

Mrs. Melott introduced youth officers:

Chairman — Robert Austin
Vice Chairman — Paul Johnson
Secretary — Patricia McKee acting secretary for Martha
McAllister
Treasurer — Shirley Creasy

Recognized youth in audience

Augusta Melott gave the annual report of the Youth Committee.

Worthy Master, Officers and Members of the California State Grange:

A successful and eventful year has been realized for, as well as by our Youth Grangers. This is due to the recognition of the Grangers for the interests and needs of our young people, within the family structure of the Grange Fraternal Order.

Youth Grangers were included as well as instrumental in the many activities within their Granges. They gave outstanding performances in drill, degree teams, as officers, standing and special committees, entertainment, community service and many more activities, all adding to and promoting a more progressive and outstanding organization.

At this time, on behalf of all the Youth Grangers, throughout the state, and myself, we again express our utmost appreciation to the eighty-seven Subordinate and Pomona Granges, and Home Economic Clubs, who assisted in creating a fund especially designed to further the Youth Movement in the Grange and the continuance of our annual Youth Conference. Out of the total of \$503.00, \$327.49 was used to make it possible to hold a most successful Easter Youth Conference at the California State Polytechnic College, located in San Luis Obispo, April 3-7—1955.

Using the Theme, "Growing Through Leadership," many outstanding instructors of the college and leading Grangers gave instructive talks, aided in committee discussions, symposiums and demonstrations, thus giving many ideas on how to become a good leader as well as a good follower, to an attendance of 97 young and older Grangers. Out of this conference, a Youth Committee handbook was compiled, the contents of which are, parliamentarian procedure, results of committee discussions by the Youth Members, aided by older Grangers and college instructors on the needs and interests of Youth in the Grange. This gave us a better understanding on the planning of future programs for the young members in Subordinate, Pomona and State Granges. Also included in the handbook are The Grange Youth Creed, Recommended Committee Rules for the Young Members of Subordinate and Pomona Granges, November Youth Month, Suggestions for Youth Activities in the Grange and other helpful ideas.

A two way exchange of education for World Peace, goodwill and understanding of home, school, culture and community life was received by a young German Student Exchangee, Leoniede Krueger, and by the people who came in contact with her during her stay, on the Edward Lindsay ranch in San Jose, this past year. This year the program is being carried out in Visalia with the Louis W. Michalk family, by Theo Winarske of Niedersachsen, Germany.

We are often reminded, that the Grange is built around

the family and supported by four cornerstones, Ritualism and Fraternalism, Education, Legislation and Co-operation. With these facts and through teamwork of every member, the Grange can be fashioned into a power-house for the community. So take into consideration, a program for increased Youth Membership and their participation in your Grange, aided by selecting a Youth Committee Advisor and electing a Youth Committee Chairman.

In conclusion, I wish to extend my personal thanks to every Granger and Non-Granger who helped in any way, to support the Youth Movement in our Granges.

Fraternally submitted,
AUGUSTA MELOTT
California State Grange
Youth Director

C. B. Hutchings, representative of the Farmers Insurance Exchange was introduced and presented the prize awards in the Safety Contest. First prize \$500 — Elk Grove Grange, Second Prize \$300 — Bitterwater Grange, Third prize \$150 — Chico Grange, Fourth prize \$100 — Gratton Grange, Fifth prize \$100 — Ono Grange. Each of the following Granges received a check for \$50 — Biggs, Delhi, Woodbridge, Nuevo-Lakeview, Hat Creek, Placer-Foothill and Lockford District. Betty Klare received \$100 as first prize for girls, Donald Walker \$100 first prize for boys, Lloyd Walker \$50 and George Klare \$25. Mr. Hutchings gave the annual report of the Farmers Insurance Exchange.

REPORT OF FARMERS INSURANCE EXCHANGE

"Proper insurance always means three things to the policyholder: first, the certainty that claims will be paid. The financial strength of the Farmers Insurance Group is such that there is no question about our ability to meet the claims which may come against us. Second, its prompt and adequate service over the years. Farmers has always maintained a proud record of both prompt and adequate payment of claims. Its method of having claims settled by the agent who writes the business is a guarantee of satisfaction. The third item of interest to the policyholder is economy in the premium rates. As a result of our steadily increasing surplus during the last two years, Farmers Insurance Exchange has reduced its pre-

mium rates by approximately \$8,000,000 in 1954, and another \$6,000,000 in 1955."

Yours very truly,
C. B. HUTCHINGS
Assistant Secretary

E. Lars Nelson, Master of the Washington State Grange was introduced and addressed the assembly. He stated that farm prices were not stabilized and the outlook was not good. Farm income is now $\frac{1}{3}$ of total income. That one man in agriculture produces for himself and 17 others. He bid us farewell as it was necessary for him to leave. Ten minute recess declared. Meeting called to order in closed session.

The State Master declared the balloting for officers closed.

Motion made, second and carried to close time for presenting resolutions at end of present session. Grange closed in regular form at 10:00 P.M.

THURSDAY MORNING

The third day's session of the California State Grange convened in the Municipal Auditorium. Grange was opened in regular form in the fourth degree with the State Master presiding.

"God Bless America" was sung as the opening song, led by Effie Spencer.

Presentation of the colors followed with Patroness Ceres, Marjorie Johnstone, as Flag Bearer.

The journal of proceedings for the previous day was approved as read.

Legislation committee chairman, Kenneth Johnstone, made a partial report. Report will be found under final and complete report.

Ed Milldrum, Chairman of the Elections Committee, reported that George Sehlmeier had received the majority of votes cast for the office of Master. The Overseer declared him duly elected for the constitutional term.

Good of the Order Committee chairman, Floyd White, gave a partial report for his committee. Report will be found under final and complete report.

The elections Committee chairman again reported. The Master declared the following elected for the constitutional term: Lecturer, Margaret Avery; Steward, John Freitas; Assistant Steward, W. G. LaCaille; Chaplain, Leta Littler Treasurer, Marshall Dopkins; Secretary, Celia M. Harding; Gate Keeper, William Davis; Ceres, Marjorie Mills; Pomona, Esther Williams; Flora, Effie Spencer; Pianist, W. G. Campbell. Long Beach was chosen for the 1956 convention city.

There was no election in the following offices: Overseer, Executive Committee, Lady Assistant Steward. The State Master ordered the second ballots mimeographed for distribution.

Mr. Thomas Levy, President of the Farmers Insurance Group, was escorted to the Master's station and introduced. In his address he paid high tribute to the program of the grange.

Grange was declared at ease for the Juvenile Program under the direction of Lydia N. Joiner, State Superintendent of Juvenile Granges.

JUVENILE PROGRAM

1955 Convention

Entry of Matrons and Patrons

Introduction of Cordia Hannah and Hilda Atkins, Past State

Grange Superintendents of Juvenile Granges

Introduction of Anna Hobkirk and Ida Pasco, Assistants

1. Drill — Vickie and Barry Hankens, Judy Oglesbee, Virginia Nettleton, Randy Giacomazzi, Rixon Chamberlain, Dale Buchanan, Merle Garreston, Shirley Davis, Geraldine Wegman, Donna Maize and Ronnie Carlson
2. A Song — "Smokey the Bear"

Dolly Verue, Ronnie Carlson, Patrick and Machiel Gansey

3. A Song — "I Don't Know Why"
Randy Giacomazzi
4. A Tap Dance — "Goofus"
Vickie and Barry Hankens
5. A Tap Dance — "Tea For Two"
Ruth Arnold from Mt. Vernon
6. A Tap Dance and Baton Twirling
Virginia Nettleton
7. A Piano Duet — Donna Maize and Vickie Hankins
8. A Talk and Exhibits on Pigeons
Rixon Chamberlain
9. A Song — "Reccochoet Romance"
Vickie Hankins, Judy Oglesbee and Merle Garreston
10. Piano — "Spining Song"
Fred Thurman
11. A Toe and Tap Dance — "Sailor and French Doll"
Vickie and Barry Hankins
12. A Poem — "If You Never"
Geraldine Wegman
13. A Group Song — "Onward Christian Soldiers"
Meadow Vista Junior Grange No. 138
14. Band — Clarinets — Barry Hankins and Randy Giacomazzi
15. A Toe Dance — "Dorothy"
Vickie Hankins
16. A Hymn — "Savior Teach Me Day By Day"
Barry and Vickie Hankins, Randy Giacomazzi, Rixon Chamberlain, Merle Garreston, Dale Buchanan, Donna Maize, Judy Oglesbee.

Grange stood at recess at 12: noon to reassemble for the Memorial Services at 1:30 P.M.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON

At 1:30 P.M. Memorial Services were conducted by the Worthy Chaplain, Leta Littler. The roll call of 66 departed members was called by the State Secretary and floral tributes were placed upon a large satin covered altar which formed a cross in the center of the auditorium. Lighted candles, one for each departed member gave a soft golden light to the scene.

A choir formed by Sacramento Grange members sang three sacred numbers — and an equal number of tableaux, composed of youth Grangers, gave an impressive back ground to the music.

The Memorial address was given by the State Chaplain who stressed the principals of the Order — Faith, Hope and Charity with unity and peace as our standard of living. As the participants of the Memorial Service marched from the auditorium the choir softly sang "In The Sweet Bye and Bye" and taps was sounded to close the Service.

MEMORIAL SERVICES

Processional
 Old Rugged Cross — Congregation
 Opening Prayer — Chaplain
 Saved By Grace — Choir
 Tableau
 Scripture Reading — Chaplain
 Jesus Lover Of My Soul — Choir
 Tableau
 In Memorium
 Beyond The Sunset — Effie Spencer
 Roll Call of Departed — State Secretary
 My Task — Choir
 Tableau
 Closing Prayer — Chaplain
 Recessional

Those Deceased

By Whom Eulogized

Jack C. Adams	Martha Morse
Paul T. Archer	Bessie Green
Gareth Austin	Lavinia Maass
Samuel Bell	Blanche Gearhart
Henry S. Bishop	Mildred Newbill
George Bordenave	Abbie Hartwell
Almarine Bousefield	Emma Eschinger
Frank Bratton	Maude Hulen
J. Earl Brumel	Lydia Reinitz
Ethel Carroll	Amelia Mayer
Annie B. Clark	Lucy Holcomb
William W. Clark	Eva Wilkins
Rebecca Chmnes	Mabel Lorryea

Those Deceased

By Whom Eulogized

Constanine Clendenning	Marie Critchett
Ronald H. Coats	Kate Wier
Oliver Costello	Haldis Ralston
Kenneth Dille	Elizabeth Barber
Ethel Z. Darnell	Emma Anderson
Robert Dillon	Henrietta Griffiths
Atlant R. Dolson	Ida Pasco
William O. Eades	Evelyn Wilder
Ethel Edwards	Ethel M. Wallace
Carolyn Felch	Mary Brown
L. A. Franklin	Novella Jeter
Jessie French	Ruth Montgomery
Clinton J. Fulcher	Lillian Joiner
Frank L. Gates	Charlotte Pfeffer
Jessie Glover	Pansy Froom
Charles F. Halverstadt	Emma Michalk
Charles Hannah	Violet Thomas
Don Hays	Ethel Rose
Wesley D. Hickox	Mayme Hill
Elizabeth Hughes	Myrtle Green
Archie T. Jones	Marian Carey
Gladys Loa Kimbal	Mildred Hansen
Theodore Linville	Etna Hepworth
John Lind	Nellie Gillette
George W. Lloyd	Marian Williams
Charles W. Mayhew	Pearl Wing
Maurica Macomber	Pearl Wing
Carrie McKean	Grace Richardson
Claude R. French	Veryl Thornton
Robert W. Minto	Mary Casey
Royal McCornish	Elva Muir
C. J. Moore	Frieda Little
Elsie Niegel	Georgia Gardner
William A. Nutgrass	Minnie Ferguson
Rudolph F. Ramelli	Myrtle Stewart
William H. Reseburg	Sarah Bishop
George Rice	Lela Crandall
Harry S. Richmond	Faye Dappert
Lina L. Rightmier	Arthrane Hillaker
Florence Rippey	Mildred Spain
Caroline M. Reese	Edith M. Webb
Fred E. Schmidt	Margaret Robinson
Robert L. Simms	Charlie Belle Johnson
Burr Sinclear	Norma Phiefer

Those Deceased**By Whom Eulogized**

O. G. Smith	Elma Bates
Gertrude Steger	Hilda L. Atkins
William E. Steward	Katherine Fiedler
Lester N. Thompson	Rocelia Dalton
Elmer Thornton	Edna Koster
Arthur H. Turner	Florence Williams
Walter W. Walkley	Jeanette Hazen
Eugene E. Welty	Sarah E. Williams
Rank and File	Vera Blakeley

State Grange reconvened in closed session at 3:00 P.M.

The Master declared the ballot open for the second ballot.

Legislation Committee chairman made a partial report. It will be found under final and complete report.

At 4:00 P.M. recess was declared until 7:00 P.M. The conference of secretaries followed.

THURSDAY EVENING

Grange reconvened at 7:30 P.M. for the showing of the film "The King's X" sponsored by the Credit Union. The picture was enjoyed by those assembled.

Grange was called to order at 8:30 P.M. and the Master declared the ballot closed.

Members of the Sacramento County Fifth Degree team conferred the fifth degree on a class of 73 candidates. After the degree was conferred the team delighted the group assembled with their precision drill.

FIFTH DEGREE CLASS

Abel, Kathleen	Silverado Grange
Behrenst, Dorothy D.	Whitethorn Grange
Berg, Howard	Rio Linda Grange
Bloom, Gladys	Orangevale Grange
Bloom, Jack E.	Orangevale Grange
Boles, Carla	Danville Grange

Boles, Allan R.	Danville Grange
Bozeman, Katherine M.	Vista Grange
Bradbard, Samuel	Pleasant Hill Grange
Bruhn, Bess	Dixon Grange
Bruhns, Cora E.	Loomis Grange
Callahan, Ethel	Chico Grange
Ciesielska, Beatriz	Coalinga Grange
Cunningham, Eugene H.	Marina Grange
Cunningham, Ruby	Marina Grange
Darling, Edna M.	Shenandoah Willow Springs Grange
David, Gyda	Sacramento Grange
David, Thomas	Sacramento Grange
Davison, Bessie V.	Lompoc Grange
Duffy, Hugh M.	Mt. Bolivar Grange
Dunson, Velma	Greenfield Grange
Farris, Harry	Madonna Grange
Freshour, Marilyn Y.	United Rescue Grange
Guyton, Clara	Orangevale Grange
Guyton, Allen R.	Orangevale Grange
Hansen, Julia L.	Thermalito Grange
Hatton, Janet L.	Corral de Tierra Grange
Hawes, Beth	Anderson Grange
Hilzer, Ralph	Orland Grange
Hobaugh, Marcene	Lockeford District Grange
Holst, Pearl	Freshwater Grange
Hoover, Zola P.	Fair Oaks Grange
Hoover, O. Stanley	Fair Oaks Grange
Hunter, Clarence J.	Alturas Grange
Hunter, Eileen C.	Alturas Grange
Johnson, Doreen	Mt. Vernon Grange
Jones, Mary E.	Riverbank Grange
Kammerer, Sandra	Lockeford District Grange
Kitts, Charles R.	Banner Grange
Kohlhoff, Lottie	Chico Grange
Laret, Martha M.	Elk Grove Grange
Lipska, James	Springfield Grange
McGuirk, Mary	Elk Grove Grange
Marsh, Mary Jo	Half Moon Bay Grange
Marsh, Joseph H.	Half Moon Bay Grange
Montgomery, Ruth C.	Marshall Grange
Montgomery, Fred M.	Marshall Grange
Oviatt, William	Orland Grange
Oviatt, Marjorie M.	Orland Grange
Perry, Calvin	Orangevale Grange
Pedro, Betty	Guenoc Grange

Pedro, Andrew	Guenoc Grange
Platt, Dell D.	Morro Bay Grange
Platt, B. H.	Morro Bay Grange
Roszell, Lucy H.	Fair Oaks Grange
Roszell, Albert M.	Fair Oaks Grange
Simunich, Lucille	Elk Grove Grange
Steiner, Marguerite	Vacaville Grange
Steiner, Jr., Frank	Vacaville Grange
Stevens, Betty	Marshall Grange
Stuart, Helen	East Palo Alto Grange
Tatham, C. Lee	Clear Lake Grange
Tensfeld, Evelyn	Joshua Tree Grange
Turner, Gail	Kings River Grange
Wagner, Verna	Sacramento Grange
Wagner, Maybell	Orangevale Grange
Wagner, James E.	Orangevale Grange
Warner, Chester	Woodbridge Grange
Williams, Grace L.	Dinuba Grange
Williams, W. C.	Dinuba Grange
Williamson, Clara	Pescadero Grange
Williamson, Ward R.	Pescadero Grange
Zwiener, Grace L.	Sacramento Grange

Following this the State Officers resumed their stations, Grange was closed in the fifth degree and opened in the sixth degree and 353 candidates were instructed in the degree of Flora, after which the entire assembly, escorted by Worthy Flora, her court and the State Grange Officers, marched to the feast tables in the basement of the Auditorium. The tables were beautifully decorated and heavily laden with a variety of fruits and nuts prepared by the host county of Sacramento.

SIXTH DEGREE CLASS

Abel, Kathleen	Bacoccini, Marjorie H.
Abarr, Merle F.	Baldwin, Charles A.
Abarr, Carl H.	Ball, Lettie M.
Allen, Josephine	Barnhizer, Tina Mae
Allen, G.	Barrett, Dora E.
Allen, June M.	Bartlett, F. Sue
Allen, Carl S.	Bartlett, Beverly
Anderson, Autumn E.	Bascherini, Celestine
Andreas, Phoebe B.	Basherini, Herman
Armstrong, Alice	Bates, Edna E.

Bedow, Dolores
Bedow, Ella E.
Beebe, Carol B.
Bates, Arthur E.
Baxley, Dixie L.
Behrenst, Dorothy D.
Belanger, Florence A.
Belanger, Ed C.
Berg, Howard E.
Betts, Curtis G.
Betts, Jane K.
Bloom, Gladys L.
Bloom, Jack E.
Boles, Carla K.
Boles, Allan R.
Booth, Mrs. Wm. A.
Booth, Wm. A.
Borba, Iva M.
Borba, Joseph J.
Betsford, Aileen
Betsford, Thomas W.
Bozeman, Katherine M.
Bradbard, Samuel
Briggs, Orville
Brown, Mary E.
Brown, Sadie M.
Brown, Harry H.
Bruegger, Elizabeth J.
Bruegger, Byron F.
Bruhn, Bess B.
Bruhn, Otto J.
Bruhns, Cora E.
Burgess, Gwyneth
Burke, Delphene F.
Burke, Arthur F.
Burris, Emily I.
Burris, James J.
Burzacott, Rilla A.
Caffee, Helen W.
Caffee, Wayne L.
Callahan, Ethel C.
Carmen, Myrel N.
Chandler, Clarence C.
Ciesielska, Beatriz M.
Clay, Norma C.

Clay, Donald E.
Cleaver, Julia A.
Cochrane, Ada
Cox, Charlotte
Cox, Uda D.
Cozine, Esther — took degree
at Klamath Falls, Oregon,
June 8, 1955
Culbertson, Louise A.
Culbertson, Sherwood E.
Cunningham, Ruby M.
Cunningham, Eugene H.
Dalton, Rocelia R.
Dalton, Gilbert O.
Daly, Ann F.
Darling, Edna M.
David, Gyda
David, Thomas H.
Davidson, Owen G.
D'Arcy, Rena B.
Davison, Bessie V.
Dayton, Mildred
Dean, Ruth B.
Drain, Mae H.
Duffy, Hugh M.
Duncan, Dottie O.
Dunish, Ernest K.
Dunson, Velma F.
Dwight, Fred D.
Dwight, Marie A.
Elrod, Loreta
Eschler, Albert W.
Ernst, Mrs. Carrie
Farris, Harry
Fate, Frances H.
Fisher, Luella
Freeman, Pearl S.
Freshour, Marilyn Y.
Gackstetter, Florence M.
Gagnebin, Leslie E.
Gearhart, Arthur R.
Geoghegan, Mary L.
Geoghegan, Theodore R.
Gillette, Nellie E.
Goding, Sue B.

Godfrey, Ethel	Jackson, Essie Belle
Grabow, Sr., Leon Stanley	Jackson, E. Earl
Grady, Dee M.	James, J. M. Dean
Grady, Robert W.	Jeppesen, Eunice A.
Green Myrtle L.	Jeppesen, Niels J.
Green, Floyd	Jessen, Kenneth H.
Groves, Exye E.	Johnson, Doreen M.
Guyton, Clara	Johnson, Betty E.
Guyton, Allen R.	Johnson, John
Hackler, Gus A.	Jones, Mary E.
Hackman, Nellie A.	Jordan, Maybelle E.
Hale, Margaret M.	Kammerer, Sandra G.
Hansen, Julia Louise	Kammerer, Carlton C.
Hartle, Margaret E.	Kitts, Charles R.
Hartman, Robert L.	Kneppel, Laura
Hatton, Janet L.	Kohlhoff, Lottie R.
Hauser, Elizabeth	Krueger, Doris
Hauser, Charles H.	Krueger, Herman O.
Hawes, Beth	Kunzi, Sophie W.
Heath, Thomas W.	Kunzi, Rudolph
Hendricks, Emily Pearl	LaDieu, Alice E.
Hendricks, Zilph H.	Laret, Martha Marie
Henrickson, Prudence	LaVenture, Edward
Henrickson, Axel	Lickteig, Arthur J.
Hilker, Juliette L.	Lipska, James Gordon
Hilker, Ken	Liston, Julie A.
Hilzer, Ralph C.	Liston, Harry
Hobaugh, Nina Marcene	Lockridge, John D.
Hodgson, Stella G.	Logg, Florinda J.
Hodgson, Paul S.	Loryea, Mabel L.
Holdson, Della N.	Loryea, James M.
Holst, Pearl E.	Lower, Nadine V.
Hoover, O. Stanley	Lower, Harry H.
Hoover, Zola P.	Lower, Clara
Hulen, Maude L.	Lussan, Merle R.
Hulen, Emmett R.	MacBride, Kirtley
Hunter, Eileen C.	McGuirk, Mary J.
Hunter, Clarence J.	Machado, Ellen E.
Hunter, Katherine P.	Mahon, Bertha
Hunter, Harvey B.	Machado, Jose C.
Ingraham, Jessie J.	Markham, Kenneth L.
Ingraham, Ernest L.	Markham, Erlene Kay
Inslee, Clifford H.	Marsh, Mary Jo
Jackson, Nancy E.	Marsh, Joseph H.
Jackson, H. J.	Martin, Lena B.

Martin, Amanda I.
Martis, Rosena Ellen
Meeker, Ina P.
Meeker, Jerry D.
Merrell, David B.
Miller, Jane F.
Miller, Bruce H.
Mirata, Theresa J.
Moebus, Ruth M.
Moffitt, Lora M.
Monhollan, Edith
Montgomery, Ruth C.
Montgomery, Fred M.
Morse, E. Martha
Moore, Maude C.
Moore, Oscar M.
Neilson, Samuel
Null, Della
Null, Robert A.
Nunez, Barbara J.
Oldham, Mary B.
Ongman, Marjorie R.
Ormsby, Marian E.
Oviatt, William S.
Oviatt, Marjorie M.
Pacheco, Manuel L.
Pacheco, Teresa F.
Palmer, Nettie B.
Palmer, Hugh G.
Parrott, Nellie A.
Patino, Jack N.
Pearl, Viola P.
Pearl, Harry L.
Pedro, Betty
Pedro, Andrew B.
Pennock, Myrtle A.
Pennock, Cloyce E.
Perry, Calvin
Peterson, Mrs. E. Ray
Pierson, Merrill
Platt, Dell D.
Platt, B. H.
Pond, Nancy D.
Pond, Lloyd B.
Ponne, Modeline M.

Ponne, Jouwert
Pontes, Agnes
Pontes, Herman R.
Pope, Catherine B.
Pope, William H.
Porter, Evelyn V.
Porter, James
Potts, Mary I.
Radtke, Iyone B.
Reese, Mildred R.
Reese, Walter L.
Rhodes, James S.
Ricard, Conrad A.
Rice, Nyoma Faye
Richardson, Grace E.
Richardson, Alvin C.
Ricketts, J. Earl
Ricketts, Margaret E.
Ricketts, Jr., Earl
Roach, Lois
Roach, Leonard A.
Robards, Helen B.
Robinson, Lou Van V.
Root, Pearl M.
Root, Earl M.
Roszell, Lucy H.
Roszell, Albert M.
Rucker, Emma M.
Sax, Mary
Sax, Simon
Semino, Gertrude M.
Semino, Ernest L.
Selvidge, Margaret
Schneider, Malettha
Schneider, John H.
Schultz, Eunice L.
Schultz, Harold H.
Shelton, Ethel B.
Shelton, Ewel A.
Siebert, Isabella L.
Siebert, Harry C.
Silver, Della R.
Silver, F. M.
Simmons, Loretta L.
Simunich, Lucille

Slack, Frances M.	Warner, Phillip K.
Smith, Ruth E.	Waters, Rose A.
Smith, George A.	Waters, William L.
Spencer, Florence	Weller, Mary
Spencer, Lloyd E.	Wheeler, Raymond L.
Steiner, Jr., Frank Joseph	Whitaker, E. Howard
Steiner, Marguerite Rose	Whitaker, Josephine V.
Stephenson, Dianna Norene	Wilder, Evelyn
Stevens, Betty N.	Wilder, Harley
Stewart, Paula A.	Wildermuth, Alfreda M.
Stewart, Frank E.	Wildermuth, Paul
St. John, Catherine L.	Williams, Grace L.
St. John, James P.	Williams, W. C.
Stout, Mildred	Williams, Edith
Stewart, Helen F.	Williamson, Clara M.
Stowe, Valnor F.	Williamson, Ward R.
Swisher, Mary H.	Wilson, Maggie M.
Swisher, Leon W.	Winarske, Theo P.
Tatham, C. Lee	Winkler, Gonda K.
Taylor, Harriette I.	Winkler, Albert J.
Tensfeld, Evelyn R.	Wood, Josephine V.
Traganza, Hilda	Wood, Christopher S.
Traganza, Fred Ed	Wright, Will L.
Turner, Gail	Wright, Pauline S.
Turner, Alan	Zaitman, Max A.
Vaughan, Margaret T.	Zeleny, Velma K.
Wagenfuhr, Daisy A.	Zetterberg, Algot E.
Wagenfuhr, Graham A.	Zetterberg, Eleanor C.
Wagner, Maybell Frances	Ziegenfuss, Jewel
Wagner, Verna V.	Ziegenfuss, Lee R.
Wagner, James E.	Ziegenmeyer, Robert M.
Walters, Olive L.	Zwiener, Grace Lillian
Warner, Chester P.	Zylstra, Frances R.

Following the feast the State Grange Officers resumed their stations and with the Master presiding, Grange was lowered from the sixth to the fourth degree and the result of the run off election were announced and the Master declared the following elected for the constitutional term: Overseer, M. M. Kibler; Lady Assistant Steward, Margaret Robinson; Executive Committeeman, Blaine Quinn.

The meeting closed in regular form.

FRIDAY MORNING

Preceding the opening of the session the annual Home Economics Breakfast was held. The men's breakfast was held concurrently. A large attendance and a good time was reported.

Grange opened at 9:30 A.M. in regular form. The Worthy Chaplain led the delegate body in prayer, following which "Work For the Night is Coming" was sung as the opening song.

Presentation of the colors followed with Patroness Ceres acting as flag bearer. "The Star Spangled Banner" was sung. Journal of proceedings for the previous days session was approved as read.

Ralph Hobbs, Chairman of the Conservation Committee made a partial report for his committee. Report will be found under final and complete report.

W. R. Penner, Secretary of the Grange Fraternal Fire Insurance Association reported as follows:

THIRTY-NINTH ANNUAL REPORT of the GRANGE FRATERNAL FIRE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION October, 1955

Worthy State Master and Members:

The fiscal period ending August 31st, 1955 was a year of definite progress for the policyholders of the Grange Fraternal Fire Insurance Association. We take pleasure in presenting this, our thirty-ninth annual report.

During the year we were subjected to our initial examination by a representative of the California Department of Insurance. Periodical examination is made necessary by the addition of an amending statute of 1953 to the legislative act governing the Association's operations known as the Fraternal Insurer's Act. The examination which was limited to a three year period ending December 31, 1954, comprised a general review and analysis of business activities and oper-

ating procedures, and a determination of the Association's financial position as of the examination date.

Noteworthy in respect to the final report of the Department of Insurance were the two following comments:

1. "Accounting records were checked in detail, and account balances reflected in annual statements filed with the Department for the years 1953 and 1954 were verified and reconciled therewith."
2. "Our review of losses paid indicated that all claimants had received fair and impartial treatment and that settlements were made promptly."

These comments by a recognized and legal authority tend to substantiate and indeed, magnify the utmost good faith and reliability that your Grange Association practices in all its dealings with Grange policyholders.

For the fiscal year, the Association underwrote an aggregate of 2,407 applications of insurance as compared to 2,140 for the previous year — a gain of approximately 14%. These risks were assumed for Grangers on a state-wide level, coming from 49 of the 58 California counties. It is significant to note that counties which, in other years have yielded only a scattered few applications for insurance, have picked up greatly in new business volume. County by county tabulation shows a rising trend for the Association.

Primary insurance in force, on August 31st for all risks assumed, was \$29,506,980.00. Under our contract of reinsurance with the Insurance Company of North America, we have continued our program of ceding a portion of all assumed risks in excess of the Association's legal retention. The net result of such reinsurance cessions is a greater margin of safety for the Association's loss reserves and affords us a flexibility of operation by permitting us to engage in risks of both habitational and commercial nature.

Total assets of the Grange Association as of August 31st were \$221,092.98. This figure broken down into the following categories:

Cash in Banks	\$ 54,634.12
Premiums Receivable	3,663.13
Accrued Interest Receivable	297.06

Inventory of Supplies	680.83
Mortgage Receivable	3,994.66
U. S. Government Bonds (at cost)	41,500.00
Banking and Industrial Stocks (at cost)	101,676.82
Building, Land, and Office Equipment (depreciated value)	14,569.76
Deferred Charges (prepaid insurance and returned checks)	76.60
Total Assets	\$221,092.98

Total current liabilities consisting of state and federal payroll taxes, agent commissions payable, and reinsurance premiums payable amounted to \$4,539.30 at the closing of the year. Unearned premiums, in a progressive stage of transfer to surplus account, were \$131,100.08. This developed a surplus account of \$103,560.74 which for the year end placed the Association in a very healthy financial position.

Percentage-wise the Association's gains for the fiscal year are:

Insurance in force—year 1955 over 1954	14%
Net increase in premiums—year 1955 over 1954	17%
Net increase in earnings—year 1955 over 1954	142%
Earned premiums are in ratio of \$4.17 to \$1.00 of losses	

Association losses by fire and extended coverage were extremely light during the year, proving once again that Grangers are preferred risks. We have here at convention headquarters a complete tabulation of all losses, county, and indicating the breakdown of losses paid, together with adjustment expense incurred on each claim. We invite your inspection of this record. We entertained a total of 74 claims, developing \$16,790.95 for fire and \$1,813.72 for extended coverage, after reinsurance collection.

Ratings were adjusted downward this past year, saving our member policyholders many hundred of dollars. We will continue to make these revisions as further growth is recorded and as that measure of new volume reflects rising surplus of loss reserves. This program we feel is consistent with good business practice. In short, we do not consider our member policyholders as just another name on an insurance policy, but rather as an active partner in a thriving business enterprise.

In conclusion, we want to take this moment to publicly thank our field agents and the members at large for their continued support and good will toward this Grange Association. The officers and directors pledge you their unceasing effort in your behalf.

Fraternally submitted,
W. R. Penner, Secretary

Lydia N. Joiner, State Superintendent of Juvenile Granges, gave her annual report.

REPORT OF STATE SUPERINTENDENT OF JUVENILE GRANGES

Worthy State Master, officers, and members of the California State Grange, I bring you greetings from the Juvenile Granges of California.

Since our last convention these new juvenile Granges have been organized by our faithful Deputies; Hangtown and Marshall in El Dorado County; Redwood in Humboldt County; Palermo in Butte County; Morro Bay in San Luis Obispo County; Garden Grove in Orange County and San Dimas in Los Angeles County.

These dormant Juvenile Granges have been reorganized; Bennett Valley in Sonoma County; Danville in Contra Costa County; San Luis Obispo in San Luis Obispo County, and Prunedale in Monterey County. All these Juveniles Granges are doing well and show careful planning and instruction by our District Deputies.

The "Safety" booths at the State Fair were outstanding and attracted a lot of attention. The Humbolt Juvenile Grange won first place and their Exhibit was shown over TV three times. Each of the other booths stressed some phase of Safety in an interesting and forceful manner. The other exhibits were One-Man-Ping-Pong, Eskimo Spear Game, Soap Carving, Squaw Skirts and Stuffed Toys. All indicated originality and excellent workmanship.

Besides the States Fair nearly all the Juveniles entered exhibits in their local Fairs and nearly all took generous prizes.

Nearly all of the J. G.'s are using the Red Books and this year a number will be eligible for their finishing award.

The "Treasure Chest" in the Juvenile Room at the Women's Building is under construction at last and when finished will give us a place to keep treasures that are priceless for their historic value to the Grange. The furniture for this room has been selected and will be in place as soon as our room is finished. All this has been made possible by donations from the Juveniles and by help from the H. E. Clubs from all over California. When completed the "Treasure Chest" and Juvenile Room will be a lasting record of united Juvenile work.

We wish to thank the two Grange Sisters, Mrs. O. M. Davis and Mrs. Lillian Davis, whose generous donations have furnished funds for the literature needed in the study of the Effect of Alcohol and Tobacco on our Lives. This literature is sent to all the Juvenile Granges in California.

In closing may I urge you to give more support to your Juvenile Granges? Where ever there is a standing Committee on Juvenile Affairs in your Subordinate Grange and that committee meets often and regularly we find a strong and active Juvenile Grange. Our boys and girls need the fine training of Juvenile Grange work for good Juveniles make good Grangers and good Grangers always make good citizens. So give your children the advantage of an active Juvenile Grange.

Fraternally submitted,
Lydia N. Joiner

Edward Thomas, reported as follows for the Division of Labor committee:

DIVISION OF LABOR REPORT

The Committee on Division of Labor after due and careful consideration of the State Master's annual address have chosen the articles that they wish each of the following committee to study and have marked copy accordingly — Legislation, Good of the Order, Conservation, Education, Roads and Highways and Agriculture.

Edward Thomas

Grange stood at recess at 11:30 to reconvene at 1:30 P.M.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON

The meeting was called to order at 1:30 P.M.

George Crockett, Chairman of the Agriculture committee reported. Final and complete report.

- 1 Ag. 1 — Encouraging Milk Consumption by School Children. Do pass as amended. Adopted.
- 2 Ag. 2 — Supporting Four Point Program. Do pass Adopted.
- 3 Ag. 3 — Included in No. 2
- 4 Ag. 4 — Included in No. 2
- 5 Ag. 5 — Included in No. 2
- 6 Ag. 6 — Included in No. 2
- 7 Ag. 7 — Grange Representatives at United States Senate Agricultural Committee Hearing. Do pass as amended. Adopted.
- 8 Ag. 8 — Funds to Combat Yellow Clover Aphid. Do Do pass Adopted.
- 9 Ag. 9 — Concerning Distribution of Farm Products. Do pass as amended. Adopted.
- 10 Ag. 10 — No Further Cuts in Rice Growing. Substitute resolution submitted by committee. Do pass. Adopted.
- 11 Ag. 11 —
 - Part 1 — Covered by Ag. No. 2
 - Part 2 — Covered by Ag. No. 2
 - Part 3 — Tabled in Committee. Committee sustained.
 - Part 4 — Tabled in Committee. Committee sustained.
 - Part 5 — Referred to Conservation Committee.
 - Part 6 — Rewritten by Committee. Do pass Adopted.

Part 7 — Substitute resolution by Committee. Do pass Adopted.

- 12 Ag. 12 — Opposing the Annexation of Grazing and Agricultural Land Without the Consent of the Owners. Do pass as amended. Adopted.
- 13 Ag. 13 — Requesting Governor Include Chicken Meat Legislation in Special Legislative Session. Do pass Adopted.
- 1A Ag. 1 — Representation at Milk Control Bureau Hearings. Substitute resolution. Do pass Adopted.
- 2A Ag. 2 — Covered by Agriculture No. 2
- 3A Ag. 3 — Aid to Dairymen. Covered by Agriculture No. 2
- 4A Ag. 4 — Covered by Agriculture No. 7
- 5A Ag. 5 — Changing Brucellosis Program. Do not pass. Committee sustained.
- 6A Ag. 6 — Covered by Agriculture No. 13
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AGRICULTURE COMMITTEE GENERAL REPORT

The members of the committee on Agriculture of the 83rd Annual Convention of the California State Grange do hereby endorse and affirm that portion of our State Master's Annual Address pertaining to the National Farm Program.

We wish to reaffirm the actions and recommendations of the 82nd California State Grange Convention on Agriculture and make them a part of this report except where conflict arises due to the changing economic conditions.

We believe that the Grange should continue and renew its efforts to protect the small farmers of the nation from being forced out of business.

We believe that the Grange is just in their demand that the natural resources of water and power be kept in the people's hands and we urge that this course be continued and that the California Water and Power Users Association be

commended on their effort of the last year and all Grange members of the state be encouraged to make themselves familiar with the work of this organization.

We believe that the Grange should encourage the Government to purchase surplus commodities which are not supported at present, to be used for the School lunch program and in the program of sending food to foreign countries.

We wish to thank all of the persons who have appeared before our committee and have been so helpful.

We wish to commend and extend our sincere thanks to delegates here assembled for their splendid support and cooperation.

GEORGE CROCKET,
Chairman
FRANK STEINER
FRED H. FARMER
WILLIAM F. PETERSEN
ROBERT WARDLOW

The report of the committee was accepted. The State Master thanked the committee for their work and dismissed them. Ralph Hobbs, Conservation committee chairman reported as follows:

- 14 Con. 1 — Supporting Construction of the Trinity River Project by the Federal Government. Do pass. Adopted.
- 15 Con. 2 — Opposing Construction of Power Facilities on Trinity Project by a Private Utility. Do pass as amended. Adopted.
- 16 Con. 3 — Requesting repair of Morro Bay Breakwater Protection. Do pass. Adopted.
- 17 Con. 4 — Opposing the Present Plan for Construction of the Feather River. Do pass as amended. Adopted.
- 18 Con. 5 — Combined with Conservation No. 4. Motion made to re-refer to committee. Motion sec-

onded and lost. Motion made, seconded and carried to accept proposal of committee.

19 Con. 6 — Supplemental Water for Antelope Valley. Do pass as amended. Adopted.

20 Con. 7 — Commending the California Water and Power Users Association. Do pass as amended. Adopted.

21 Con. 8 — Conserving Butano Forest. Do pass as amended. Adopted.

22 Con. 9 — Restoration of Free National Forest Camps. Do pass. Motion made, seconded and carried to re-refer to committee for rewriting. Committee reconsidered this resolution and tabled it in committee. Committee sustained.

23 Con. 10 — Combined with No. 12

24 Con. 11 — Formation of State Grange Public Utility Committee. Do not pass. Motion made and seconded to withdraw from committee. Committee sustained.

25 Con. 12 — Supporting County of Origin Law Water Rights. Do pass as rewritten. Adopted.

26 Con. 13 — Congress Established Committees to Review Forest Conservation Policies. Tabled in committee. Motion made and seconded to withdraw from table. Motion lost. Committee sustained.

Conservation — Trinity River Project. Motion made and seconded to withdraw resolution from table. Motion lost.

Agriculture No. 11 — Part 5, that was referred to the Conservation committee was tabled in committee. Committee sustained.

Conservation 6-A — Trinity River Project. Covered by Nos. 1 and 2.

Motion made and seconded to withdraw Conservation No.

5 from table. Motion lost.

Conservation Committee resolution No. 1 presented. Do pass. Motion made, seconded and carried to tabled resolution. Tabled.

Conservation Committee resolution No. 2 presented. Do pass. Motion made, seconded and carried that resolution be tabled. Tabled.

Motion made and seconded to reconsider Conservation No. 13. Motion withdrawn.

Conservation Committee resolution No. 3. Do pass. Adopted.

Conservation Committee resolution No. 4. Do pass. Adopted.

Conservation Committee resolution No. 5. Do pass. Adopted.

Motion made that the California State Grange re-affirm their stand on construction of the salt water barrier across the Carquinez Straits. Motion seconded and carried.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONSERVATION

The Committee on Conservation goes on record as endorsing the State Master on his sound Conservation Program as outlined in his Annual Report.

We wish to thank the delegate body of the California State Grange for the consideration and support they have given this Committee at this 1955 Convention.

R. W. HOBBS, Chairman
ROBERT NULL
LEONA SWERINGEN
LEE TRIPP
MYRTLE A. GALLUP

The committee report was adopted and the committee dismissed.

Floyd White, Chairman, reported for the Good of the Order committee.

- 29 G of O 1 — Appointment of Subordinate Grange Representative to be Final. Do not pass. Sustained.
- 30 G of O 2 — Grange Emblem For Floral Offerings. Do pass. Adopted.
- 31 G of O 3 — To Abridge the Ritual for Reception of Members. Do not pass. Committee sustained.
- 32 G of O 4 — Grange News to be sent to Juvenile Grange Members whose Parents do not belong to the Grange. Do not pass. Committee sustained.
- 33 G of O 5 — Limiting Number of Terms State Grange Master. Do not pass. Committee sustained.
- 34 G of O 6 — Elimination of Waivers on C.P.S. Applications. Do not pass. Committee sustained.
- 35 G of O 7 — Printing Name of Grangers Business Organization Agent in Roster. Do pass. Adopted.
- 36 G of O 8 — Covered by No. 11
- 37 G of O 9 — Covered by No. 11.
- 38 G of O 10 — Grange Secretaries be Included in Mileage Payment to Attend State Grange Convention. Do pass. Adopted.
- 39 G of O 11 — Committee to Study Automobile Insurance Proposal. Do pass as amended. Adopted.
- 40 G of O 12 — Amendment of Ventura County Building Code. Motion made to re-refer to committee for rewriting. Motion seconded and carried. Later a substitute resolution was submitted and adopted.

- 41 G of O 13 — Urging Granges to Consider Support of a Tree Farm Program. Do pass. Adopted.
- 42 G of O 14 — Recommending Additional G.B.O. Stores. Do not pass. Committee sustained.
- 8-A G of O — Contributions to Sixth Degree Teams. Do not pass. Committee sustained.
- G of O — Increasing National Grange Dues. Do not pass. Committee sustained.
- Good of the Order Committee resolution. Delegates to State Convention who Fail to Vote. Do pass
Moved, seconded and carried to amend resolution to read "by-laws" instead of "constitution". Resolution adopted as amended.

CONDITION OF THE GRANGE

During the fiscal year just closed, the California State Grange led all states in the number of new Subordinate Granges organized. The organization of these new Granges is due to the effective work, loyalty and service of our Deputies. To them should go the credit for this increase in new Granges. There is still some adjustment going on in some of our Granges due to people joining the Grange merely to get benefits from the Physicians' Service, and when they have been received, lose all interest. Notwithstanding this condition, many of those who have become members to get C.P.S. Benefits, have developed into loyal and active Grange members.

A number of new Grange halls were dedicated during the year and several are now ready for dedication.

As this report is being written, it is apparent all Grange activities in this state stand at an all time high. The prestige of our State Grange in legislative matters and in other movements has steadily increased both in Sacramento and in

Washington, D.C.

There are several areas, where a few years ago, it was inadvisable to organize Granges, but due to increased population in those communities, we find they would be very de-

sirable fields for new Granges. When time permits, Granges would be organized in these areas. There is no substitute for increases in Grange membership.

We gratefully acknowledge not only the worthwhile effective work of our Deputy force, but likewise extend our thanks to those members throughout California who have given time and service to building up Grange membership.

FLOYD E. WHITE,
Chairman
C. C. KOFAHL
FRANK CAREY
BERNICE GILGEN
CARL FIEDLER

Committee report was accepted and committee dismissed. Ray Gill of the Oregon State Grange gave his farewell address.

Grange stood at recess at 5:30 until 8:00 P.M.

FRIDAY EVENING

Grange reconvened at 8:15 P.M.

Kenneth Johnstone, Legislation Committee chairman reported.

- 43 Legis. 1 — Combined with No. 11.
- 44 Legis. 2 — Amending Health and Safety Code. Do pass as rewritten. Motion made, seconded and carried to re-refer to committee for rewriting. Later the committee presented amended resolution. Do pass. Adopted.
- 45 Legis. 3 — Reaffirm Stand on Uniform School Plans. Do pass. Adopted.
- 46 Legis. 4 — Investigating abuse of County Grand Jury Powers — Do pass as rewritten. Motion made, seconded and carried to table resolution. Tabled.

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- 47 Legis. 5 — Opposing closing of Marine Hospital. Do pass. Adopted.
- 48 Legis. 6 — Support County Fairs System. Do pass. Adopted.
- 49 Legis. 7 — California State Fair to Offer More Attractive Rates for Machinery displays. Do pass. Adopted.
- 50 Legis. 8 — Exploring All Possible Channels of Relief for Fishing Industry. Do pass. Adopted.
- 51 Legis. 9 — Covered by No. 8.
- 52 Legis. 10 — Permitting Raffles and Bingo Games to Charitable Organizations. Do not pass. Committee sustained.
- 53 Legis. 11 — Eliminate Unjust Taxation. Do pass. Adopted.
- 54 Legis. 12 — Canned Fish to be Properly Labeled. Do pass as amended. Adopted.
- 55 Legis. 13 — Amending Old Age Survivors Insurance. No recommendation. Motion from floor to table. Seconded and carried.
- 56 Legis. 14 — Giving Consumers the Advantage of Tax Savings Enjoyed by Utilities. Do pass. Adopted.
- 57 Legis. 15 — Requiring Persons on Relief to Accept Employment — Do pass. Motion made, seconded and carried to table resolution. Tabled.
- 58 Legis. 16 — Reaffirming Monetary Restoration Program. Do pass. Adopted.

Legislative Committee No. 1 — Do pass. Adopted.

The following resolutions were referred to the Legislative Committee:

- 27 Ed. 1 — Regarding Federal Communications Commission. Do pass. Adopted.

28 Ed. 2 — Relief For Drug Addicts. Do pass as amended. Moved and seconded to delete amendment and restore deleted paragraph of resolution; previous question called, seconded and carried. Motion lost. Resolution adopted as amended.

7-A Ed. — Supporting the California Dental Association Substitute Milk for Soft Drinks. Do pass. Adopted.

58 R and H 1 — Uniform Highway Traffic Signs and Uniform Traffic Laws. Do pass. Adopted.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE GENERAL REPORT

The Legislative Committee has made careful consideration of all resolutions submitted to it and also the portions of that State Master's address applying to legislation. After such careful consideration, the sentiments expressed by the State Master are endorsed with particular emphasis made on continued support for County and District Fairs, also the program seeking uniform plans for school construction to eliminate the high cost of unnecessary architects' fees.

The committee further appreciates the interest shown by individual Grange members in legislative resolutions, and recommends continued vigilance of Grangers, to be sure that all future legislation is in harmony with Grange ideals.

Fraternally submitted,

KENNETH C. JOHNSTONE,
Chairman
VERIL CAMPBELL
CLARENCE MILLIUS
GRANT PETERSEN
JACK MORGAN

The report was adopted.

The State Master thanked the committee for a job well done and dismissed them. Chairman Johnstone thanked his committee for their able assistance.

The Resolutions Committee report was made by the chairman as follows:

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

The officers and members of the California State Grange, assembled in the 83rd annual session, October 18th to 21st inclusive, 1955, in this vigorous and growing city of Sacramento, convey their sincere appreciation to:

The City and County of Sacramento, the Sacramento Convention Bureau, Sacramento City School, Television stations KCCC and DBET, the press, including the Associated, United and International News Service, Sacramento Bee and Sacramento Union.

To the Sacramento County Pomona Grange for their superb portrayal of the fifth degree and the excellent precision drill. To State Flora Effie Spencer and her assistants for the beautifully conducted sixth degree with their impressive rose drill. To Lydia Joiner for the Juvenile program and to Augusta Melott for the activity program of the youth group.

For the beauty and bounty of the Feast of Pomona. To Mabel Glenn and her HEC chairman whose hospitality at the open house and dedication of the woman's building will be an occasion long to remember and LaThella Carlson for her solos.

To the superintendent of the Memorial Auditorium, Elmer Congdon, and his staff. In fact, to all whose labor and efforts made this session so memorable.

The State Secretary gives special thanks to Ruth Harding, Faye Dappert, Emma Batcher, Louise Nichols, and Theresa Fleming for their hours and hours of time selling fifth and sixth degree applications.

Margaret Avery, State Lecturer, conveys her thanks to all who have assisted in making her work at the 83rd convention so very pleasant, especially thanks to the stewards who prepared and had ready the little Theatre for the State Lecturer's conference.

State Chaplain, Leta Littler, advises the sisters and brothers: It would be impossible to mention each and every one

who assisted her in the presentation of the Memorial Service. She takes this opportunity to express her gratitude and sincere thanks for the help and consideration of all who helped in any way.

Let us hope that in the not too far future we may meet again in these beautiful and satisfying surroundings.

J. B. QUINN

Motion made, seconded and carried to adopt report.
Harry Barnes, Credential Committee Chairman, gave his report as follows:

MILEAGE AND PER DIEM COMMITTEE REPORT SUBORDINATE GRANGES

AMADOR COUNTY

Grange	Name	Miles	Amount
Ione—Andrew A. Fitzgerald and Wife		40	\$ 2.40
Shenandoah			
Willow Springs—Fred Waters and Wife		35	2.10

BUTTE COUNTY

Palermo—Robert W. Grady and Wife	80	4.80
Chico—Jesse Bachman	100	3.00
Mtn. Springs—Verda Wick	101	3.03
Gridley—Emmett Hulen and Wife	75	4.50
Dunham—George Nagle	110	3.30
Paradise—William L. Mayhew and Wife	100	6.00
Concow—John D. Lockridge	87	2.60
Thermalito—Cloyce Pennock and Wife	90	5.40
Biggs—Blanche Gearheart and Husband	80	4.80
Wyandotte—Charles H. Hauser and Wife	82	4.92

CALAVERAS COUNTY

Calaveras—Percy E. Hunt and Wife	60	3.60
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Grange	Name	Miles	Amount
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COLUSA COUNTY

Arbuckle—Gertrude Dopkins	50	1.50
Colusa—Gertie Bressler	81	2.43
Williams—James White	138	4.14

CONTRA COSTA COUNTY

Danville—Carle Fiedler and Wife	95	5.70
Martinez—Henry M. Center and Wife	62	3.72
Diablo Valley—A. C. Anderson and Wife	75	4.50
Pleasant Hill—Anna L. Martin and Husband .	82	4.92

DEL NORTE COUNTY

Crescent Redwood—Harry M. Manning	460	13.80
Klamath Valley—Pansy Froom and Husband ..	420	25.20
Lake Earl—Leontine Bennett	438	13.14

EL DORADO COUNTY

Pleasant Valley—Exye Groves	60	1.80
Three Forks—William L. Klare	60	1.80
United Rescue—Pearl Wing	35	1.05
Marshall—Fred M. Montgomery and Wife....	55	1.65
Pilot Hill—Georgia A. Gardner and Husband	50	3.00

FRESNO COUNTY

Clovis—George D. Woodard	173	5.19
Reedley—Paul Ebner and Wife	200	12.00
Kingsburg—C. F. Stone and Wife	205	12.30
Central—Russell Konkell and Wife	185	11.10
James Ranch—Celia G. Maddox and Husband	200	12.00
Riverdale—Charles A. Baldwin and Wife	206	12.36
Selma—Frank E. Case and Wife	200	12.00
Caruthers—John C. Barber and Wife	196	11.76
Fowler—Lester Cederquist and Wife	185	11.60
Coalinga—Barbara Nunez	254	7.62
Easton—D. E. Patch and Wife	187	11.22
Sanger—Myrtle Simpson	186	5.58
Kerman—John R. Taylor and Wife	170	10.20
Roeding—Henry Hartwick and Wife	175	10.50

Grange	Name	Miles	Amount
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GLENN COUNTY

	Golden State—A. J. Overholtzer and Wife	101	6.06
	Orland—Melvin T. Hibdon	118	3.54
	Jacinto—Edyth Mapes	100	3.00

HUMBOLDT COUNTY

	Garberville—Charles E. Kerk and Wife	260	15.60
	Bayside—Frank Maxwell and Wife	310	18.60
	Eel River—Byron G. Nason	270	8.10
	Dows Prairie—Rush Dolson	370	11.10
	Fieldbrook—Algot E. Zetterberg and Wife	369	22.14
	Van Duzen River—Floyd Davis and Wife	340	20.40
	Alderpoint—Dean Briggs and Wife	300	18.00
	Phillipsville—Curtis G. Betts, and Wife	350	21.00
	Mad River—Fred S. Smith and Wife	365	21.90
	Rohner—Ernest C. Carter and Wife	280	16.80
	Humboldt—Graham Wagenfuhr and Wife	350	21.00
	Orick Valley—Edward T. Howell and Wife	377	22.62
	Mattole—Louis F. Adams	300	9.00
	Redwood—Antonio S. Machado	280	8.40

KERN COUNTY

	Fairfax—June Crow	300	9.00
	Delano—C. R. Thomas and Wife	241	14.46
	Panama—Gilbert O. Dalton and Wife	300	18.00
	Weed Patch—John Luhmann	300	9.00
	Rosedale—Ewel A. Shelton and Wife	280	16.80

KINGS COUNTY

	Kings River—Alan Turner and Wife	205	12.30
	Riverbend—Laurence Workman and Wife	200	12.00
	Armona—John H. De Groot and Wife	209	12.54

LAKE COUNTY

	Clear Lake—Lester Boardman and Wife	130	7.80
	Bachelor Valley—Donald E. Clay and Wife ..	126	7.56
	Kelseyville—Alice E. Trimble	119	3.57
	Konocti—George Rice and Wife	100	6.00

Grange	Name	Miles	Amount
Guenoc—	Andrew Pedro and Wife	99	5.94

LASSEN COUNTY

Johnstonville—	Frances Acord	300	9.00
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LOS ANGELES COUNTY

Winnetka Center—	G. A. Randahl and Wife	400	24.00
Roscoe—	Charles W. Chance	405	12.15
Quartz Hill—	Lloyd B. Pond and Wife	410	24.60
Ranchito—	George C. Stinebaugh and Wife	415	24.90
Wildflower—	Ruben E. Krave and Wife	380	22.80
Del Sur—	Herman Krueger and Wife	380	22.80
Joshua Tree—	Vern Kief and Wife	400	24.00
Fair Valley—	Angeline Stewart	448	13.44
Durfee—	Virgil M. Cox	420	12.60
West Los Angeles—	Dwight O. Hansen - Wife	425	25.50
Alpine—	Leon C. Honor and Wife	425	25.50
San Dimas—	Charliene Todd	438	13.14
Yucca—	Verne G. Cory and Wife	360	21.60

MADERA COUNTY

Madera—	Jack G. Goeringer and Wife	155	9.30
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MENDOCINO COUNTY

Comptche—	Lena Meshishnek	175	5.25
Anderson Valley—	Elizabeth Clark - Husband	155	9.30
Little Lake—	Wilson Page and Wife	166	9.96
Fort Bragg—	Richard Mattila and Wife	200	12.00
Garcia—	Ella Walker	200	6.00
Ukiah—	Bernice V. Gilgen	165	4.95
Redwood Valley—	Harriet Heth	170	5.10
Whitesboro—	Paul Wildermuth	207	12.42

MERCED COUNTY

Dos Palos—	Hugo Harman and Wife	150	9.00
Los Banos—	Con Fastenau and Wife	130	7.80
Bear Creek—	Don C. Mayes and Wife	115	6.90
Whiton—	G. H. Brown and Wife	120	7.20

Grange	Name	Miles	Amount
Delhi—	Florence Shoffner	100	3.00
New Era—	Harry P. Schmidt and Wife	120	7.20
Merced Colony—	H. T. Whitley	125	3.75
Hilmar—	La Vern Erickson	100	3.00
Le Grand—	A. Edwin Jackson	130	3.90

MODOC COUNTY

Lookout—	Albert Joiner and Wife	275	16.50
Davis Creek—	Mary Casey	404	19.80

MONTEREY COUNTY

Aromas—	Donald Kingsford and Wife	150	9.00
Big Sur—	Paul C. Hettich and Wife	225	13.50
Greenfield—	James J. Burris and Wife	220	13.20
Springfield—	Harvey Harris and Wife	185	11.00
Corral De Tierra—	Janet L. Hatton	200	6.00
Prunedale—	Chester Deaver and Wife	190	11.40
Monterey Bay—	Howard L. Ober and Wife	205	12.30

NAPA COUNTY

Rutherford—	Roy Knight and Wife	77	4.62
Napa—	Albert C. Buchta and Wife	67	4.02
Silverado—	Samuel H. Abel and Wife	100	6.00

NEVADA COUNTY

Banner—	Charles Kitts	60	1.80
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ORANGE COUNTY

Centralia—	Harley Wilder and Wife	450	27.00
Wintersburg—	Leonard M. Ravencroft - Wife	450	27.00
Anaheim—	Leroy G. Cook and Wife	450	27.00
Newport Harbor—	James G. Martin and Wife	450	27.00
Garden Grove—	Charles R. George and Wife	450	27.00
Costa Mesa—	H. R. Kyle and Wife	450	27.00
Los Angeles			
Harbor Area—	George J. Anderson and Wife	450	27.00
Tustin—	Lester Woodard	450	13.50

Grange	Name	Miles	Amount
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PLACER COUNTY

Long Valley—Myrel N. Carman	40	1.20
Mt. Vernon—May Ormsby and Husband	50	3.00
Gold Hill—Anna C. Daniels	35	1.05
Loomis—Betty Johnson	26	.78
Sierra Nevada—Florence Williams	55	1.65
Meadow Vista—Vesta Giacomazzi	50	1.50
Ophir—Charles L. Stark and Wife	45	2.70

RIVERSIDE COUNTY

San Jacinto—Robert Hartman	475	14.25
Twin Butte—Andre Gootjes and Wife	450	27.00
Rubidoux—Harvey F. Meyer	480	14.40
Glen Avon—Al Davis and Wife	472	28.32
Cherry Valley—William M. Griffiths - Wife	440	26.40
Allesandro Valley—John Descher and Wife	511	30.66
Nuevo-Lakeview—W. F. Eaton and Wife	450	27.00
Norco—Harleigh Gallup	456	27.36
Mission—Lloyd E. Avery	477	14.31

SACRAMENTO COUNTY

Antelope—Orville W. Olinghouse and Wife	15	.90
Fair Oaks—Floyd Green and Wife	10	.60
Elk Grove—Orville Briggs	15	.45
Valley Oaks—Vernon Lowell and Wife	25	1.50

SAN BENITO COUNTY

Hollister—Lena Magladry	160	4.80
San Juan—William F. Gillett	180	5.40

SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY

Del Rosa—Charles Neumayer and Wife	462	27.72
Lucerne Valley—Clifford H. Inslee and Wife	500	30.00
Hinkley Valley—Paul H. Walker and Wife	450	27.00
Fonbloom—Hugh Palmer and Wife	464	27.84
Apple Valley—R. S. Osborn and Wife	422	25.32
Hesperia—Audrey P. Stone	430	12.90

Grange	Name	Miles	Amount
Phelan—	Frances B. McAllister and Husband	420	25.20
Muscoy—	Floyd W. Hall and Wife	458	27.48
Oro Grande—	William M. Hewson and Wife	456	27.36
Devore—	Clara Wallace	445	13.35
Chino Valley—	G. A. Hackler	423	12.69
Adelanto—	Beryle E. De Cardoville and Wife	400	24.00
Yucaipa Valley—	Dorris L. Raines	480	14.40

SAN DIEGO COUNTY

Rainbow Valley—	S. E. Rafter and Wife	520	31.20
San Diego Harbor—	A. B. Price and Wife	571	34.26
Vista—	Raymond A. Zarbaugh and Wife	550	33.00
Julian—	Fred H. Farmer and Wife	557	33.42
Pauma Valley—	Mrs. E. Martha Morse	535	16.05
Fallbrook—	Theressa Fleming and Husband	520	31.20
Ramona—	Jesse E. Mitchell and Wife	538	32.28
Valley Center—	Harry W. Batcher and Wife	540	32.40
Encinitas—	Elmer W. Sherman and Wife	547	32.82

SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY

Ripon—	F. M. Sanford and Wife	70	4.20
Tracy—	Jane B. Lytle	70	2.10
Lockford—	John P. Mills	48	2.88
Woodbridge—	Marion T. Williams and Wife	44	2.64
Stockton—	Merle Cortner and Wife	50	3.00
Escalon—	Robert Null and Wife	69	4.14
Manteca District—	K. H. Pennebaker	60	3.60

SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY

Grover City—	James L. Dykes and Wife	325	19.50
Triangle—	Lucy E. Holcomb and Husband	326	19.56
Estrella—	Albert Winkler and Wife	300	18.00
Atascadero—	James S. Kenny and Wife	287	17.22
Calif. State Poly			
Tech College—	Derence L. Kernek and Wife	309	18.54
Morro Bay—	Neils Jeppesen and Wife	350	21.00
El Paso De Robles—	Lyman E. Averill - Wife	330	19.80
San Luis Obispo—	Plinio Alberti	350	10.50

Grange	Name	Miles	Amount
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SAN MATEO COUNTY

East Palo Alto—Walter Pfeffer and Wife	140	8.40
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SANTA BARBARA COUNTY

Los Alamos Valley—Mary Serpa	400	12.00
Santa Ynez Valley—Annie Lang	415	12.45
Lompoc—Bessie V. Davison	416	12.48
Golita Valley—George Yabsley and Wife	436	26.16

SANTA CLARA COUNTY

Cupertino—George Loyst and Wife	135	8.10
Orchard City—Herbert Shadle and Wife	136	8.16
Sunnyvale—Emmett W. Ivey and Wife	130	7.80
Gilroy—Herman Reif	150	4.50
San Jose—H. W. King	123	7.38
Almaden—J. Ray Tonkin and Wife	130	7.80
Morgan Hill—Ralph W. Hartwell and Wife ..	144	8.64
Coyote—Melvin J. Fairbanks	133	3.99
Mountain View—Mrs. H. H. Ainsworth	150	4.50
Mt. Hamilton—Edward Thomas and Wife	130	7.80

SANTA CRUZ COUNTY

Soquel—Arthur H. Olson and Wife	175	10.50
Madonna—Harry O. Farris	180	5.40
Roach—Alvin C. Richardson and Wife	183	10.98
Santa Cruz-Live Oak—Agnes M. Urman	140	4.20
Corralitos—Mildred Spain	170	5.10

SHASTA COUNTY

Castle—Iyone Radtke	228	6.84
Ono—Addie Graves	181	5.43
Anderson—Beth Hawes	162	4.86
Redding—Mary E. Brown	176	5.28
Millville—Clint Atkins and Wife	176	10.56
McArthur—Robert Ingram and Wife	260	15.60
Hat Creek—Iva Doty	240	7.20
Mt. Lassen—Roland Bates and Wife	150	9.00

Grange	Name	Miles	Amount
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SISKIYOU COUNTY

Greenhorn—Haldis	Ralston	275	8.25
Mt. Bolivar—Hugh M.	Duffy	320	9.60

SOLANO COUNTY

Dixon—Otto Bruhn and Wife	20	1.20
Vacaville—Hermon Bascherini and Wife	30	1.80

SONOMA COUNTY

Rincon Valley—William Gray and Wife	100	6.00
Pennngrove—Jane Tomrose	100	3.00
Hall District—Lillian Attwood and Husband	105	6.30
Bennett Valley—Peter J. Stefenoni	100	6.00
Bodega Bay—Roy K. Faught	125	3.75
Santa Rosa—A. J. Bennett	100	3.00
Sonoma Valley—Charley Dyslin and Wife	89	5.34
Progressive—P. E. Markham and Wife	107	6.42
Petaluma—Alice F. Cannon	100	3.00
Forestville—Ethel Filieau	127	3.81
Bellevue—John Anderson and Wife	110	6.60
Sebastopol—Etna Hepworth	105	3.15
Cotati—Thomas Moyle and Wife	106	6.36
Freestone—Carl Ballard and Wife	115	6.90
Hessel—Myrtle Dilley and Husband	105	6.30
Two Rock—H. P. Kristensen and Wife	100	6.00
Windsor—Lee Ziegenfuss and Wife	100	6.00

STANISLAUS COUNTY

Riverbank—Roy Maramonte and Wife	82	4.92
Oakdale—John Schneider and Wife	80	4.80
Empire—Roy L. Holmes and Wife	90	5.40
Dry Creek—V. R. Parrish and Wife	85	5.10
Waterford—Fred Newbill and Wife	110	6.60
Gratton—Ernest Reinitz and Wife	100	6.00
Turlock—Charlie Johnson	95	2.85
Ceres—Leslie E. Gagnebin	90	2.70
Shilo—R. C. Genn	90	2.70
Wood Colony—F. J. Lawrence and Wife	80	4.80

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Grange	Name	Miles	Amount
Prescott—Richard W. Fiscus and Wife		75	4.50

SUTTER COUNTY

South Sutter—C. J. Pinkerman	33	.99
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TEHAMA COUNTY

Capay—Heddy Brown	110	3.30
El Camino—Pearl E. Kast and Wife	135	8.10
Manton—Frederick L. Green and Wife	170	10.20
Maywood—Wahle Lachenmyer and Wife	100	6.00
Los Molinos—U. S. Little and Wife	135	8.10
West Side—Vaughn C. Hurt	145	8.70
Pine Creek—Joseph Golonka	125	3.75

TRINITY COUNTY

North Fork—Ola Peterson	218	6.54
Trinity Valley—Carl Abarr and Wife	250	15.00
Zenia—Edward Burgess Sr.	300	9.00

TULARE COUNTY

Poplar—J. R. Marshall and Wife	250	15.00
Farmersville—Alvin Routh and Wife	219	13.14
West Visalia—U. D. Cox and Wife	225	13.50
Earlimart—W. W. McIntire and Wife	247	14.82
Elbow Creek—Francis Johnson and Wife	219	13.14
Dinuba—Samuel Neilson	210	6.30
Tulare—Mrs. W. H. Jeter	230	6.90
Springville—S. B. Cullen and Wife	250	15.00

TUOLUMNE COUNTY

Sonora—George F. Baker	140	4.20
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VENTURA COUNTY

Ojai Valley—Frank L. Eakins and Wife	400	24.00
Fillmore—Carrie Apperson	392	11.76
La Avenida—Olive L. Walters	400	12.00

Grange	Name	Miles	Amount
YOLO COUNTY			
Western Yolo—W. N. Billing and Wife	50	3.00	
Yolo—Pluma Harley and Husband	41	2.46	
YUBA COUNTY			
Brownsville—Arthur G. Mervin	90	2.70	
TOTAL			\$3,011.82

NEW SUBORDINATE GRANGES

Grange	Name	Mileage & Per diem
Whitethorn—Dorothy Behrenst	\$ 28.91	
Welcome—Lloyd Cook and Wife	44.02	
Half Moon Bay—Joseph H. Marsh and Wife	46.40	
Pescadero—Ward R. Williamson and Wife	49.60	
Los Gatos—A. J. Emery and Wife	47.86	
TOTAL		\$216.79

POMONA GRANGES

Antelope Valley—J. H. Morgan and Wife	450	\$27.00
Butte—W. L. Sweringer and Wife	75	4.50
Colusa—Hugh Butler and Wife	81	4.86
Contra Costa—A. C. Trette and Wife	65	3.90
Del Norte—Leo H. Kloske and Wife	445	26.70
Eldorado-Amador—Clarence S. Millius - Wife	50	3.00
Fresno—Elmer Carlson and Wife	210	12.60
Glenn—Clifton Huffmaster and Wife	100	6.00
Humboldt—Edward Burgess and Wife	300	18.00
Kern—C. C. Kofahl and Wife	300	18.00
Kings—Leonard Flood and Wife	200	12.00
Lake—Grant V. Peterson	85	2.55
Lassen—James T. Peterson	244	7.32
Los Angeles—George Bode and Wife	434	26.04
Mendocino—Arthur Burk and Wife	165	9.90
Merced—William F. Petersen	100	3.00
Modoc—Robert K. Minto and Wife	380	22.80
Mojave Valley—Clarence Rieman and Wife ..	465	27.90

Grange	Name	Miles	Amount
Monterey—	Laurel Geiger and Wife	185	11.10
Napa—	Clarence W. Smith	65	1.95
Orange—	Lida Wardlow	450	13.50
Placer Nugget—	Clare Hoyt and Wife	30	1.80
Plumas-Sierra—	Paul L. Stewart and Wife	162	9.72
Riverside—	John M. Rose and Wife	468	28.08
Sacramento—	No Statement		
San Benito—	No Statement		
San Bernardino—	Floyd E. White and Wife	467	28.02
San Diego—	H. L. Arthurs and Wife	536	32.16
San Fernando—	Lee E. Tripp and Wife	407	24.42
San Joaquin—	Robert E. Peters and Wife	85	5.10
San Luis Obispo—	Sam A. Marshall and Wife	268	16.80
Santa Barbara—	Veril C. Campbell and Wife	415	24.90
Santa Clara—	Frank E. Carey and Wife	125	7.50
Santa Cruz—	Veryl Thornton	153	4.59
Shasta—	Leo H. Park and Wife	176	11.76
Siskiyou—	Philip M. Toleman	352	10.56
Solano—	No Statement		
Sonoma—	Ralph Hobbs and Wife	100	6.00
Stanislaus—	Halbert Heath and Wife	76	5.76
Sutter—	James P. Brown and Wife	35	2.10
Tehama—	Joe F. Bermingham and Wife	145	8.70
Trinity—	C. C. Chandler	218	6.54
Tulare—	George F. Crockett	225	13.50
Yolo—	No Statement		
Yuba-Sierra—	Willis E. Hanson and Wife	93	5.58
TOTAL			\$515.49

LECTURERS

Paradise—	Ruel Edwards	103	\$ 3.09
Magalia—	Isabelle Gilfillan	102	3.06
Orland—	Charlotte L. Mangum	114	3.42
Glenn Pomona—	Mildred Reese	107	3.21
Mad River—	Emma Rasmussen	335	10.05
Alderpoint—	Ellen C. Smith	300	9.00
Garberville—	Ethel M. Wallace	260	7.80
Kern Pomona—	Effie Harris	241	7.23
Fairfax—	Faye Rice	300	9.00
Alpine—	Stella M. Scheppler	425	12.75

Grange	Name	Miles	Amount
	Joshua Tree—Agnes C. Bailey	400	12.00
	Antelope Valley Pomona—Paz J. Pearlson	380	11.40
	Clear Lake—Lee Tatham	126	3.78
	Napa—Jake Hullen	60	1.80
	L.A. Harbor Area—Nellie Gillette	427	12.81
	Cherry Valley—Minnie Burton	530	15.90
	Sonoma Valley—Myrtle Bowie	76	2.28
	Gilroy—S. Levi Richman	148	4.44
	Santa Barbara Pomona—Anna M. Peterson ..	410	12.30
	San Benito County		
	Pomona—Alyce M. Bengard	180	5.40
	Monterey Bay—Anna Bartowick	210	6.30
	Vista—James M. Loryea	550	16.50
	Castle—Pearl Freeman	228	6.84
	Soquel—Harriet Husmann	156	4.68
	Cotati—Margaret L. Richardson	106	3.18
	Cupertino—Dwight Sheffer	130	3.90
	Fonbloom—Minnie Ferguson	454	13.62
	Petaluma—Nellie A. Hackman	100	3.00
	Mendocino Co. Pomona—Bawny N. Bean	150	4.50
	Fresno—Myrtle M. Davis	162	4.86
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			TOTAL \$218.10

DEPUTIES

Name	County	Amount
Sidney M. Rispalje	Riverside	\$ 105.94
Jackson C. Raines	San Bernardino	114.30
Ernest E. Russell	Butte	30.12
Raymond H. Zarbaugh	San Diego	122.00
Ed. Milldrum	San Joaquin	45.00
J H. Saunders	Amador	42.28
H. T. Whitley	Merced	45.50
Allen Lindebeck	Napa	73.90
Jack Bennett	Del Norte	112.28
Lloyd V. Peper	Glenn	65.20
E. B. Gage	Nevada	50.00
Phil Nunnemaker	Lake	72.80
Dan Casey	Modoc	88.00
Hubert J. Brown	Monterey	72.60
John L. Garaventa	Contra Costa	45.95

Name	County	Amount
James B. Frost	Ventura	82.92
Russell Spain	Santa Cruz	50.70
Henry A. Johnson	San Bernardino	81.25
W. H. Jeter	Tulare	73.80
Ashley G. Rogers	Tehama	27.24
O. M. Davis	Fresno	78.72
H. W. Dyer	Los Angeles	81.10
Wayne O. Ralston	Siskiyou	81.50
A. H. Bolter	Stanislaus	29.40
Rubie Alberti	San Luis Obispo	76.00
J. C. Gordon	Santa Clara	55.50
Herbert Bengard	San Benito	69.80
Sam Williams	Humboldt	81.15
W. L. Hepworth	Sonoma	60.00
Robert Wardlow	Orange	102.00
J. B. Quinn	Special Representative	113.24
Bert E. Pasco	Humboldt	101.24
TOTAL		\$2,331.43

POMONA HOME ECONOMICS

County	Name	Miles	Amount
Santa Clara—	Sena Bishop	125	\$ 3.75
Contra Costa—	Audria M. Cline	90	2.70
San Diego—	Margaret Saracco	545	16.35
Santa Barbara County			
Pomona—	Caroline Frost	382	11.46
Kings—	Mary M. Cate	205	6.15
Kern—	Mary Ester	300	9.00
Stanislaus—	Octavia Daniels	80	2.40
Glenn—	Anna McCartor	109	3.27
Trinity—	Alice Chandler	218	6.54
Tehama—	Hazel Stirewalt	135	4.05
Tulare—	Emma Michalk	219	6.57
Sonoma—	Eulalia Archer	110	3.30
San Joaquin—	Gertrude Goodlin	70	2.10
Shasta—	Margaret L. Vaughn	172	5.16
Colusa—	Edith Bressler	81	2.43
Lake—	Irene Potts	100	3.00
Del Norte—	Ethel Goodlin	474	14.22

County	Name	Miles	Amount
San Bernardino	Bertha Brown	456	13.68
Mendocino	Eva Rowe	197	5.91
San Benito	Sarah E. Bennett	160	4.80
Santa Cruz	Nell Zook	407	12.21
TOTAL			\$139.05

JUVENILE MATRONS

Grange	Name	Miles	Amount
Redwood	Marie Machado	280	\$ 8.40
West Side	Sue Eslinger	140	4.20
United Rescue	Ruth Smith	55	1.65
San Luis Obispo	Carl Allen	300	9.00
Mission	Mrs. Al Davis	480	14.40
Meadow Vista	Ruth Verrue	45	1.35
Marina	Ruby Cunningham	230	6.90
Joshua Tree	Rosetta Flory	400	12.00
El Paso De Robles	Ruby Jespersen	265	7.95
Mt. Vernon	Lillian Campbell	35	1.05
Freshwater	Pearl Holst	346	10.38
Whitesboro	Eve Rowe	197	5.91
Palermo	Mrs. Dee Grady	85	2.55
Norco	Nellie Rispalje	382	14.46
TOTAL			\$100.20

STATE HOME ECONOMICS CHAIRMAN

Name	Amount
Mabel Glenn	\$15.00

DISTRICT HOME ECONOMICS COMMITTEE

Velma L. Sutliff	57.66
Nora Arnold	59.10
Nadine Davis	60.44

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Grace Warner	47.20
Mayme Hill	78.60
Florence E. Sheffer	29.70
Emma A. Wait	16.50
TOTAL	\$349.20

STATE SUPERINTENDENT OF JUVENILES

Name	Amount
Lydia M. Joiner	\$66.00
Anna Hobkirk	77.70
Ida Pasco	36.00
TOTAL	\$179.70

YOUTH DIVISION

State Youth Director	Amount
Augusta Melott	\$101.31
State Youth Officers	
Patricia McKee	16.80
Shirley Creasy	47.00
Robert Austin	56.50
TOTAL	\$120.30

STATE OFFICERS

Office	Name	Mileage & Perdiem
Overseer—	Edwin Koster	\$ 47.60
Lecturer—	Margaret Avery	100.62
Steward—	John Freitas	63.50
Assistant Steward—	W. G. LaCaille	81.00
Chaplain—	Leta Littler	87.12
Treasurer—	Marshall Dopkins	81.00
Secretary—	Celia M. Harding	74.25
Gate Keeper—	William T. Davis	50.20
Ceres—	Marjorie Johnstone	37.80

Office	Name	Mileage & Perdiem
Pomona—	Elaine Howell	57.12
Flora—	Effie M. Spencer	46.60
Lady Asst. Steward—	Margaret Robinson	32.00
Pianist—	W. C. Campbell	46.60
Executive Committee	253.64
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TOTAL		\$1,059.05

RECAPITULATION

Subordinate Granges	\$3,011.82
New Subordinate Granges	216.79
Pomona Granges	515.49
Lecturers	218.10
Deputies	2,331.43
State Home Economics Chairman	15.00
District Home Economics Chairman	349.20
Pomona Home Economics Chairman	139.05
Superintendents of Juveniles	179.70
Juvenile Matrons	100.20
State Youth Director	101.31
Youth Organization Officers	120.30
State Officers	1,059.05

GRAND TOTAL \$8,357.44

Fraternally Submitted,

HARRY BARNES
VINITA F. DIEU
HARRY SCHMIDT

The report of the committee was adopted.

A motion was made, seconded and carried to authorize the Executive Committee to approve the last day's journal.

Marjorie Johnstone thanked the Master for her appointment as Ceres during the convention.

Alfred Bolter was escorted to the Master's Station and presented a Grange history to the Grange.

The following resolution was read:

WHEREAS, GEORGE E. SEHLMAYER, Master of the California Grange, rendered services and assistance of the greatest value in the holding of the First Statewide Water and Power Conference of the California Water and Power Users Association in Sacramento on August 28th, 1954, and,

WHEREAS, his actions and advice thus materially aided the formation of the said California Water and Power Users Association, and,

WHEREAS, his services to that Association, as its President and on its Board of Directors have been many and arduous and have contributed very largely to the development and successes of the said California Water and Power Users Association, and to its demonstrated abilities to represent the public interest in water and power development in both legislative and administrative activities of both the Federal and State Government, and,

WHEREAS, said George E. Sehlmeier in so serving the California Water and Power Users Association has made considerable sacrifice of both his time and money above and beyond those which might be normally expected,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the California Water and Power Users Association, in regular meeting this 20th day of August 1955, that the thanks of this Association, and of its Directors personally, be expressed to GEORGE E. SEHLMAYER and that our thanks be and are hereby spread upon the minutes of this Association, and that copies of this Resolution be transmitted to George E. Sehlmeier, to the California Grange, and to the 1955 Convention of the California Grange, and that the same be delivered thereto by a representative of the Board of Directors of the California Water and Power Users Association personally.

UNANIMOUSLY ADOPTED ON AUGUST 20, 1955:

BOARD OF DIRECTORS,

CALIFORNIA WATER AND POWER USERS
ASSOCIATION,

By: ROBERT B. RIVER,
Assistant Secretary.

The State Officers surrendered their stations and the officers elect were retired to the outer hall and marched in for the Installation.

The Installing Team was composed of Lloyd Piper, Installing Officer, Eudora Harris, Marshall; Carolyn Darling, Emblem Bearer; Marjorie Johnstone, Regalia Bearer; Ruth Quinn, Musician and a duet composed of Faye Dappert and Doris Raines. J. C. Raines called the Grange to order.

Following this impressive installation, Grange was closed in the fourth degree.

The Patrons Chain was formed and "God Be With You Till We Meet Again" was sung. Thus the 83rd annual session of the California State Grange came to a close at 11:45.

CELIA M. HARDING,
Secretary

AGRICULTURE RESOLUTIONS

1

Agri. 1

ENCOURAGING MILK CONSUMPTION BY SCHOOL CHILDREN

(As amended)

WHEREAS: Congress has appropriated \$50,000,000 annually for the next two years to encourage milk consumption by school children, and

WHEREAS: The proposed program would provide 3¢ per half pint for all milk served in schools except for that served on the regular school lunch, which gets a cent per half pint subsidy from other funds, and

WHEREAS: The new program will enable schools to serve midmorning and midafternoon milk to children, and

WHEREAS: The program will benefit the dairymen as well as the children by using milk that otherwise would be surplus,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that all Granges be asked to promote and publicize this milk program, both local-

ly as well as through the State Grange.

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Agri. 2

SUPPORTING FOUR POINT PROGRAM

Penngrove Grange No. 740

WHEREAS: Farm income has been steadily decreasing, with an acknowledged additional 4.6% drop in the first six months of 1955, and

WHEREAS: Many family farmers are faced with foreclosures, or reducing their farm operations, and

WHEREAS: There was presented in Washington early this spring, by the California State Grange Master, the following four point program:

- 1.—A request for a limit on the amount any producer can receive in parity payments;
- 2.—A higher parity for the dairy and poultry industries to bring them to a more equal parity level with feed grains;
- 3.—A plan which would allow dairy and poultry products to flow freely into the market with the government paying the difference between the parity and market price;
- 4.—An all-out congressional investigation of the prices received by the farmer for his products versus the prices paid by the consumer;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the 1955 California State Grange Convention work out ways and means to bring this program to the attention of the proper authorities, such as the Senate and House Agricultural Committees, California Congressmen and Senators and the United States Department of Agriculture, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the support of the National Grange be enlisted in furthering this program to better the lot of the farmer.

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Agri. 7

**GRANGE REPRESENTATIVES AT UNITED STATES
SENATE AGRICULTURAL COMMITTEE HEARING**

Penngrove Grange No. 740

(As amended)

WHEREAS: The United States Senate Agricultural Committee, headed by Senator Allen J. Ellender, is scheduled to hold hearings in Fresno, on November 2nd, and

WHEREAS: The plight of the small farmer, including Grange members, is such that they cannot afford to travel to Fresno,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the California State Grange have representatives at the hearings to present testimony upon the needs of the farmers, including dairy and poultry farmers.

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Agri. 8

FUNDS TO COMBAT YELLOW CLOVER APHID

Oro Grande Grange No. 592

WHEREAS: The spread of yellow clover aphid is causing extensive damage to alfalfa and clover crops, and

WHEREAS: This is causing considerable damage and loss to farmers in several counties and is spreading rapidly,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that State Master Sehl-meyer and the Executive Committee of the California State Grange exert all efforts to have immediate funds made available by the State Dept. of Agriculture to combat this evil.

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Agri. 9

**CONCERNING DISTRIBUTION OF
FARM PRODUCTS**

Yolo Grange No. 601

(As amended)

WHEREAS: There is evidence that the cost of getting farm produce to the consumer is in some cases several times

as high as the price the farmer gets, and this excessive cost drastically curtails consumption of farm products amongst needy people and reduces the volume and fair price for the farmer, thus cutting down the just income for the farmer, and

WHEREAS: Investigation of these charges by other bodies or persons is not likely to produce as fair and vital an evaluation as one conducted by working farmers,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the California State Grange initiate and carry out a full investigation of the excessive profit in a few of the worst cases of inflated retail prices of farm products, with the object of determining at just what stage in the movement of farm products to the consumer this unwarranted and unearned increment exists.

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Agri. 10

NO FURTHER CUTS IN RICE GROWING
Colusa County Pomona Grange No. 40

(Substitute Resolution)

WHEREAS: Congress has given the Secretary of Agriculture authority to declare acreage controls on either of several of the major crops, in the event there is a heavy carry-over in government storage the previous year, and

WHEREAS: Rice growers in the Southern States did have a heavy carry-over in government storage and for this reason acreage controls were instituted in the rice growing regions during 1955 reducing acreage approximately 25% from the previous years, another reduction of 15% seems in store again for 1956,

WHEREAS: We should not be subject to the same regulation as the Southern rice growing States, which grow a different variety and cater to a different market,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that since California does not, and has not had any carry-over in government stored rice and since it is all sold, the California State Grange goes on record opposing any further acreage reductions for the State of California.

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Agri. 11

Presented by Oakdale Grange No. 435

(As Rewritten)

Subsection 6: Resolution on Raisin industry

WHEREAS: The grape growers of the state are being victimized by winery monopolies whereby growers are frequently paid less than the true value of their grapes because of collusion of large wineries, and

WHEREAS: More grapes could be made into raisins if there were better methods to dispose of the raisin surpluses, and

WHEREAS: Raisins have high nutritional value per pound of weight,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Federal Government be requested to include raisins in its program of using surplus commodities to feed peoples suffering from famine in other parts of the world.

(Substitute Resolution)

Subsection 7: Dairy industry

WHEREAS: The dairy farmers of the state of California are experiencing a depressed period because of the high cost of producing and the low income derived from their products, and

WHEREAS: The dairy industry is our number one state industry,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the State Grange continue a very vigorous campaign to get legislation whereby the dairy farmer will receive more favorable returns from his products.

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Agri. 12

OPPOSING THE ANNEXATION OF GRAZING AND
AGRICULTURAL LAND WITHOUT THE CONSENT
OF THE OWNERS

Clayton Grange No. 734

(As amended)

WHEREAS: A large acreage of California grazing and

agricultural land is being annexed to cities without reason, and

WHEREAS: There is urgent need that grazing and agricultural land be provided and maintained for the best interests of our State, and

WHEREAS: It is urgent that all grazing and agricultural land be provided and maintained from a national standpoint due to exigencies,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the California State Grange urge the passage of a State law, prohibiting the annexation of grazing and agricultural land without the consent of the owners thereof unless good cause is shown that it is necessary for the public interest to have such an annexation.

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Agri. 13

REQUESTING GOVERNOR INCLUDE CHICKEN
MEAT LEGISLATION IN SPECIAL
LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Sebastopol Grange No. 306

WHEREAS: It is feared that if Assembly Bill 1663, a poultry inspection bill, is allowed to go into effect July 1, 1956, as required by its enactment at the 1955 session of the California Legislature, it will work a hardship on small poultry meat producers, and

WHEREAS: This would come about because the bill requires chickens to be in a "pathological" condition to be inspected and this means that all meat chickens must be eviscerated for inspection, thereby making it illegal to sell "New York dressed" chickens, and

WHEREAS: Many small chicken meat producers, particularly in Sonoma county, rely almost entirely on "New York dressed" chickens for their livelihood, and

WHEREAS: These small producers do not have the mechanical equipment to eviscerate chickens while large corporate chicken meat processors do have this equipment and it appears that these large producers put over the enactment of AB 1663,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the California State Grange go on record as asking Governor Knight to include the matter of repealing, or amending AB 1663 at the special session of California Legislature he has said he will call, to be held either just before the budget session in the spring of 1956, or to run concurrently with the budget session in March of 1956.

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Agri. 1

REPRESENTATION AT MILK CONTROL
BUREAU HEARINGS

(Substitute Resolution)

WHEREAS: That California Milk Producers Federation has asked the State Agriculture Department to increase the price paid to milk producers and the Department has scheduled four hearings on the matter, and

WHEREAS: An objective study of operation costs for dairymen will reveal that an increase in price to milk producers is justified, and

WHEREAS: The Bureau of Milk Control states that it is their intention to pass along a portion or the full cost to consumers if the Department approves the increase to producers,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that in view of the skyrocketing distributors' profits that the California State Grange ask the Bureau of Milk Control to closely examine the ability of distributors to absorb such an increase, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the California State Grange make proper representation at the Milk Control Bureau's hearings against increased costs to the consumer which would only result in decreased consumption of Grade "A" milk and add a further burden on Grade "B" producers.

CONSERVATION RESOLUTIONS

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Con. 1

**SUPPORTING CONSTRUCTION OF THE TRINITY
RIVER PROJECT BY THE FEDERAL
GOVERNMENT—BOTH WATER CONSERVATION
AND POWER**

Arbuckle Grange No. 696

WHEREAS: Arbuckle Grange members heartily endorse the proposed Trinity River project and feel that its completion will be of inestimable value to farmers of Northern California, and the state as a whole,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that legislation be speedily enacted to complete this necessary phase of water conservation and power development and that it be tied in with the Central Valley Project.

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Con. 2

**OPPOSING CONSTRUCTION OF POWER FACILITIES
ON TRINITY PROJECT BY A PRIVATE UTILITY**

Maywood Grange No. 479

(As amended)

WHEREAS: The Pacific Gas and Electric Company has made a proposal to the U. S. Bureau of Reclamation to purchase the "falling water" from the tunnels of the Trinity Project when constructed for the purpose of generating power for its own use and benefit through the construction of power plants, and

WHEREAS: The Trinity Project is needed and is designed both for the conservation of water for irrigation and the production of electric power for the use and benefit of the Central Valley of California, its lands, and its people,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the California State Grange, that Senators Knowland and Kuchel, Congressman Engle and members of Congress from California be requested to oppose with all their influence and power any proposal to sell, dispose, or alienate any portion of the Trinity Project to

any private power company interest, and that every effort be made to hold all the water and developed power of the Trinity Project for the use and benefit of the land and people of California.

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Con. 3

**REQUESTING REPAIR OF MORRO BAY
BREAKWATER PROTECTION**

Morro Bay Grange No. 749

WHEREAS: A new entrance into Morro Bay Harbor has recently developed at the base of the south breakwater, and

WHEREAS: The channels in Morro Bay Harbor are no longer as deep, or as wide as dredged in the original project construction, and

WHEREAS: The breakwaters protecting the entrance to Morro Bay Harbor are rapidly becoming so broken that they no longer offer protection, and

WHEREAS: It is an obligation of the Corps of Engineers of the United States Army to protect and maintain this project as approved by Congress, and

WHEREAS: The Morro Bay Grange realizes the importance of the Morro Bay Harbor to the economic welfare of the County of San Luis Obispo and recreational benefit of the entire State of California, and

WHEREAS: Continued erosion at the base of the south breakwater and deterioration of the breakwaters will make Morro Bay Harbor no longer of benefit to the County of San Luis Obispo, or to the people of the State of California,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the California State Grange that the Corps of Engineers, U. S. Army, immediately start proceedings for emergency closing of the new entrance to Morro Bay Harbor, the dredging of the channels to original depths and widths and for the repair of both the north and south breakwaters of the harbor.

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Con. 4

OPPOSING THE PRESENT PLAN
FOR CONSTRUCTION OF THE FEATHER RIVER

Sonoma County Pomona Grange No. 1
(As amended)

WHEREAS: State Engineer A. D. Edmonsten has proposed to the State Legislature that it issue one and one-half billion dollars of bonds to develop the Feather River, and

WHEREAS: This project can be built far more economically as part of the Central Valley project by the Bureau of Reclamation since State development of the Feather River would duplicate parts of the Central Valley project, and

WHEREAS: Small farmers would no longer have the protection of the acreage limitation in the Reclamation Law, or would public agencies have priority on power,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the California State Grange voice opposition to the present proposed development of the Feather River by the State of California.

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Con. 6

SUPPLEMENTAL WATER FOR ANTELOPE VALLEY

Antelope Valley Pomona Grange No. 39
(As amended)

WHEREAS: The Antelope Valley continually requires more water in order to farm and develop the area, and

WHEREAS: The natural water supply is becoming more difficult to obtain, and it will be necessary to obtain an additional supply,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the California State Grange make every effort to assist Antelope Valley to obtain a supply of supplemental water.

COMMENDING THE CALIFORNIA WATER
AND POWER USERS ASSOCIATION

Penngrove Grange No. 740
(As amended)

WHEREAS: The California State Grange played an important role in initiating and sponsoring the California Water & Power Users Association, which is now functioning and carrying on work in behalf of low cost water and power for farmers and other people of the state, and

WHEREAS: The dire need for such water and power is recognized for the continued well being of the economy of the State of California,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the 1955 California State Grange Convention endorse the work of the California Water & Power Users Association, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the officers, directors and staff of the California Water & Power Users Association be commended by the California State Grange Convention for the work they have accomplished this past year, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that all sponsors and supporters of the California Water & Power Users Association be commended for their participation by the 1955 California State Grange Convention and that copies of such commendation be sent to each participating organization.

CONSERVING BUTANO FOREST

Santa Clara County Pomona Grange No. 4
(As amended)

WHEREAS: The bill passed by the Legislature authorizing the purchase of approximately 3000 acres of the Butano Forest for \$1,750,000 was vetoed by Governor Knight, and

WHEREAS: The Santa Cruz Lumber Co. is now logging off 640 acres of virgin redwood trees at least 2000 years old, and has damaged and destroyed many trees not in this acreage, and

WHEREAS: The Negotiations for the purchase of this property has been going on for many years and the purchase price has increased enormously,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the California State Grange go on record as being in favor of the immediate condemnation of this property by the State of California and its purchase as a State Park for the use of the people, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the State of California use its police powers to see that the trees in all areas are cut uniformly so that the water shed will not be impaired and that the wanton destruction of beautiful trees be stopped. We are opposed to any further cutting of trees in the Park area.

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Con. 12

SUPPORTING COUNTY OF ORIGIN LAW

Millville Grange No. 443

Trinity County Pomona Grange No. 44

(As Rewritten)

WHEREAS: Northern Counties of California at this time have sufficient water for present and future needs, if properly developed, and

WHEREAS: There is a great need for irrigation water to develop the thousands of acres in Shasta and adjoining Counties, and

WHEREAS: Parts of the State that do have a shortage of waters are looking to this part of the State for water,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the California State Grange request the Legislative Bodies of both the State Senate and Assembly to support and protect the County of Origin law for the State of California as it now stands.

SOIL CONSERVATION

Conservation Committee Resolution No. 3

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, By the California State Grange in 1955 Session assembled: that the California State

Grange go on record as favoring full support of our present extensive Soil Conservation program from the preservation of agriculture in California.

APPROVING POLICIES OF THE STATE GRANGE

Conservation Committee Resolution No. 4

RESOLVED: That the California State Grange go on record as approving the policies heretofore established by the California State Grange on the development and use of Water and Power.

OPPOSING THE SALE OF FEDERAL CONSTRUCTED PROJECTS

Conservation No. 5

WHEREAS: It has been rumored that the Federal Government is contemplating the sale of the Pine Flat Dam to private interests for a portion of the original cost to the taxpayers,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the California State Grange go on record as opposing the sale of any Federal constructed project involving water for private use or benefit.

EDUCATION RESOLUTIONS

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Ed. 1

URGING FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION TO POSTPONE DATE OF DISCONTINUANCE OF A SHORT WAVE RADIO CHANNEL USED BY THE FEDERAL-STATE MARKET NEWS SERVICE

Rio Linda Grange No. 403

WHEREAS: Sometime ago the Federal Communications Commission issued a ruling directing the Federal-State Market Service to discontinue the use of a short wave radio channel in reporting market news, and

WHEREAS: The effective date of this discontinuance can be delayed without inconveniencing the international interests which plan to use the channel,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the California State Grange, in convention, in Sacramento, October 18th through October 21st, that the Federal Communications Commission be requested to postpone the effective date of its order to discontinue use of this short wave radio channel by the Federal-State Market News Service.

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Ed. 2

RELIEF FOR DRUG ADDICTS

Valley Center Grange No. 631
(As amended)

WHEREAS: The use of drugs, especially among our teenagers, is increasing at such a rate it is estimated that there are now more than 1,000,000 addicts in this country and most of the newer victims are teenagers, and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that California State Grange go on record for stricter law enforcement against narcotics.

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EDUCATION SUPPORTING THE CALIFORNIA DENTAL ASSOCIATION TO SUBSTITUTE MILK FOR SOFT DRINKS

Riverbank Grange No. 719

WHEREAS: Authentic statistics from the California Dental Association state that 95 per-cent of the population of the United States have dental trouble; and

WHEREAS: 50 per-cent of all 2 year old children have cavities, and 7 per-cent of all children have dental decay in their first permanent molars, and

WHEREAS: At age 16 the average youth has 7 decayed, missing or filled teeth, and

WHEREAS: Less than 4 per-cent of High School pupils are free from dental decay,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the California State Grange hereby heartily endorse the campaign of the California Dental Association in it's efforts to do away with soft drinks and substitute milk dispensers, instead, in all schools.

GOOD OF THE ORDER RESOLUTIONS

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G. of O. 2

GRANGE EMBLEM FOR FLORAL OFFERINGS

Gilroy Grange No. 398

WHEREAS: It is customary for Subordinate Granges to send flowers, wreaths, or floral pieces to the funeral services of departed members, and

WHEREAS: The appearance and identity of such floral offerings would be greatly improved if some form of suitable Grange emblem could be used therewith, or thereon, and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the State and National Grange be requested to consider the designing of a Grange emblem of proper material, size, and color, to be used on or with floral offerings at Grange funeral services and for departed Grange members, and that these emblems be made available to all Subordinate Granges.

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G. of O. 7

PRINTING NAME OF GRANGERS BUSINESS ORGANIZATION AGENT IN ROSTER

Sacramento Grange No. 12

WHEREAS: At the present time the names of business agents of subordinate Granges are appearing in the Roster, and

WHEREAS: This has caused some confusion between these agents and those appointed by the Grangers Business Organization, and

WHEREAS: In many instances the business agent is at the present time representing the Grangers Business Organization,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the names of the business agents of the Grangers Business Organization be printed in the Roster and designated as agents for the Grangers Business Organization.

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G. of O. 10

GRANGE SECRETARIES BE INCLUDED IN MILEAGE
PAYMENT TO ATTEND STATE CONVENTION

Orange County Grange No. 36

WHEREAS: The office of Secretary actually is the business office of every Grange, and one requiring personal attendance at every meeting with many hours of work between meetings to properly keep the records and transact the business of the Grange, and

WHEREAS: The duties of this office are properly recognized in the installation charge given the newly elected Secretary as being the most arduous of any of the offices, and

WHEREAS: There is some hesitancy on the part of Grange members to accept the elective office of Secretary, mainly because they feel they do not have the qualifications the office would require, and

WHEREAS: There is conducted at each Convention of the California State Grange a conference for Secretaries,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that this office be recognized as being equally important as that of Lecturer, or Home Economics Chairman, and that the California State Grange officially recognize this equally by an Amendment to its By-Laws whereby it will pay to Secretaries of Pomona and Subordinate Granges the same rate of 3¢ per mile, one way, for all duly elected Secretaries who had been active the preceding year, for attendance at the annual State Convention.

**COMMITTEE TO STUDY AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE
PROPOSAL****Del Norte Pomona Grange No. 42****(As amended)**

WHEREAS: Great interest has been manifested by Del Norte Pomona Grange members in having Automobile Insurance as one of the benefits of Grange membership, and

WHEREAS: This interest has been particularly stimulated, because of our unique nearness to neighboring Granges in Oregon, where visiting Del Norte Pomona Grange members have observed and questioned the apparently smooth functioning automobile insurance plan for Grange members in Oregon, and

WHEREAS: The Subordinate Granges in Del Norte County are experiencing a substantial growth in membership from Washington and Oregon grange members who are demitting into the Subordinate Granges, and

WHEREAS: These new members bring favorable reports of the benefits of the Automobile Insurance Program both to individual Grange members and to the welfare of the Granges themselves,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Del Norte Pomona Grange transmit to the California State Grange Convention this resolution requesting that steps be taken immediately in California to set up a master study committee composed of both proponents and opponents of such a program, and that this committee meet with the State Executive Committee and make a comprehensive study of an Automobile Insurance Program for California Grange Members, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this committee publish its findings to the delegate body of the 1956 State Grange Convention.

AMENDMENT OF VENTURA COUNTY BUILDING CODE

(As Rewritten)

WHEREAS: Investigations why housing restrictions in Ventura County, California, are not on an equitable basis in all sections of said Ventura County, and

WHEREAS: Ventura County Building Code causes only some buildings or dwellings outside of incorporated city limits to come under such a strict county code, and

WHEREAS: A few large corporations and a few large ranches are permitted to use farm labor, and as rentals, buildings that are considered substandard for the small farmer and his family, and

WHEREAS: Unnecessary expense and hardship has been caused to small farmers and county property owners in Ventura County, and

WHEREAS: Many such farmers and property owners feel that discrimination is being shown by such coverage as said Ventura County Code now exists,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the California State Grange investigate conditions in said county and render such aid as may be possible.

URGING GRANGES TO CONSIDER SUPPORT OF A
TREE FARM PROGRAM

Rio Linda Grange No. 403

WHEREAS: The National Tree Farm Movement has resulted in the wise harvesting and better management of forest lands, especially on the part of small timber owners, and

WHEREAS: Many members of the California State Grange have forests on their property which could conceivably come under the Tree Farm Program, and

WHEREAS: Many Grangers in Idaho have demonstrated that the Tree Farm Movement is a wise program in the interests of conservation,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the California State Grange in convention in Sacramento, October 18th through 21st, urge that its Pomona and Subordinate Granges in the forest counties give thought to sponsoring the Tree Farm Movement.

**GOOD OF THE ORDER COMMITTEE RESOLUTION
DELEGATE TO STATE GRANGE CONVENTION
WHO FAIL TO VOTE**

(As amended)

WHEREAS: The Grange provides that one or two delegates, as the case may be, may represent each Subordinate Grange at the State convention, and

WHEREAS: A certain amount of expense money is provided by the State Grange,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the State Grange By-Laws be amended to read: That unless said delegate or delegates use this right and vote in the election for State Officers, this expense money be denied them, and a letter be sent to the secretary of the Grange they represent advising them their delegate did not vote.

LEGISLATION RESOLUTIONS

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Legis. 2

AMENDING HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE

Orange County Pomona Grange No. 36

(As amended)

WHEREAS: The Health and Safety Code of the State of California has been established for the purpose of safeguarding the buying public against impure, synthetic, artificial, substandard and inferior brands of foods, drugs and materials, where such inferior, substandard, artificial, synthetic and

impure foods, drugs, and materials cannot be determined by the use of the five senses, and the judgment of the buying public, and

WHEREAS: Certain Amendments to this Code were duly passed at the last session of the California State Legislature, under Senate Bill No. 361, and applying by specific designation to "meat and meat products," and

WHEREAS: The same regulations and requirements set forth to protect the buying public in the matter of "meats" are applicable to and should be amended to include "fish and fish products, fresh, frozen, frozen-packed, and canned", and

WHEREAS: There are now being practiced devious methods of representations in the matter of canned fish, specifically of the tuna and or albacore specie,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, this California State Grange initiate the necessary procedures required to bring this matter before the coming session of the State Legislature, requesting an amendment to all Health and Safety, Pure Food and Drug Codes, to include the prime of "fish and fish products, in all forms; fresh, frozen, frozen-packed, and canned".

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Legis. 3

REAFFIRM PREVIOUS STAND ON UNIFORM SCHOOL PLANS

Clovis Grange No. 536

WHEREAS: The Grange has approved resolutions in past sessions favoring legislation to the extent that the State of California employ architects for the purpose of preparing uniform school plans that may be available to the various school districts at a nominal fee, and

WHEREAS: We believe, that considerable savings can be made in our tax structure by such a program,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the California State Grange in session at Sacramento, on October 18th, review its former stand, and that it help prepare the necessary measures to present to the California State Legislature in

future sessions.

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Legis. 5

OPPOSING CLOSING OF MARINE HOSPITALS

San Diego Harbor Grange No. 775

WHEREAS: Since 1798 medical care for sick , or injured seamen and fishermen has been provided by U. S. Marine Hospitals and their successor, the U. S. Public Health Service, in accordance with Federal Law, Title 43, U. S. Code, Sec. 249, which establishes such service, and

WHEREAS: Since sickness and injury have no regard for geography, seamen and fishermen may find themselves away from home when they need medical assistance and it is not available to them, and

WHEREAS: Even without the threat of an atomic attack there exists a general shortage of hospitals in the United States so that it is difficult to see how it would be in the public interest for the Federal Government to close 16 hospitals and 125 out-patient clinics now rendering valuable public service,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the California State Grange vigorously oppose all attempts to circumvent Federal Law, Title 43, U. S. Code, Sec. 249, which provides for this medical care, by the Bureau of the Budget, or by the General Counsel's Office through legal maneuvering in an effort to upset long-standing precedents, or by others attempting to deny funds under the guise of governmental reorganization, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the California State Grange vigorously oppose such other attempts as may be made to eliminate this vital health service by legislation.

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Legis. 6

SUPPORT COUNTY FAIRS SYSTEM

Trinity County Pomona Grange No. 44

WHEREAS: Trinity County Pomona Grange No. 44 has

gone on record by resolving that the present County Fair system be continued,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the California State Grange reaffirm its support of the County Fairs system, and that this resolution be presented at the 83rd annual convention of the California State Grange in 1955.

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Legis. 7

CALIFORNIA STATE FAIR TO OFFER MORE
ATTRACTIVE RATES FOR MACHINERY DISPLAYS

Escalon Grange No. 447

WHEREAS: Manufacturers of farm machinery have discontinued the display of farm machinery at the California State Fair, and

WHEREAS: It is understood that due to exorbitant space rentals, farm machinery displays were withdrawn, and

WHEREAS: The California State Fair is primarily an agricultural show,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the California State Grange request that the California State Fair Board provide space and rental rates of a nature to attract the farm machinery show.

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Legis. 8

EXPLORING ALL POSSIBLE CHANNELS OF RELIEF
FOR FISHING INDUSTRY

Newport Harbor Grange No. 776
(As amended)

WHEREAS: The Government of the United States, through an official act of the State Department, has just concluded a tariff trade concession pact with Japan which includes, among other things, tuna and tuna-like fish imported from Japan in all forms; from fresh-frozen, and canned in a variety of forms, and

WHEREAS: The American fishing industry on the West Coast has reached a state of possible financial bankruptcy, and will take with it many other businesses supported by the fishing industry, with the prospect of losses of millions of dollars, and causing an employment and financial situation in the State of California that cannot be foretold, and

WHEREAS: The security and economy of the American people, particularly the American workingman, must be the first consideration of the Government of the United States and its officials, and

WHEREAS: American free enterprise is bound by government restrictions and can be sacrificed by the binding pacts of the government, and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that all segments of the fishing industry on the West Coast strongly bind together and take immediate steps to secure official and complete representative exploration of every channel of relief now tendered by the government to agriculture and other industries and private enterprises, whether given as distress relief; emergency relief; subsidy grants; contracts; etc., for methods of relief to this industry and its restabilization on the West Coast, and which is a policy which the Japanese Government agencies maintain the finance for their commercial fisheries expansion, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that immediate requests be made through proper representative channels of the President of the United States; the Vice President; Secretary of State; Secretary of Interior; Secretary of Agriculture; Secretary of Commerce, and the Secretary of Labor for initiation of emergency legislation for prompt financial assistance to this industry and its people; that reliefs under the State Unemployment Act be made immediately available to fishermen, who have been denied this benefit in the past; that reliefs under the Bankruptcy Act be extended to fishermen in the same proportions as extended to the farmer, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a meeting be arranged at highest levels with government officials and representative heads of all phases of the fishing industry and affected groups at the very earliest possible date to effect a relief program for this industry until some equitable import quota can be established, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that as an immediate emergency relief measure, the President of the United States authorize the immediate measure, the President of the United States authorize the immediate allocation of sufficient funds for the purchase of all fish now held in storage on American vessels in American West Coast ports, particularly San Pedro and San Diego, to meet immediate financial assistance required by the owners and workers, and that the heads of the canning industry be promptly approached on this subject.

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Legis. 11

ELIMINATE UNJUST TAXATION**Valley Center Grange No. 631**

WHEREAS: The increased assessment of property being subdivided for residential and building purposes has caused a reassessment of adjacent farm lands into a comparable higher assessed valuation, thereby creating a tax hardship upon the adjacent farm land without in any way increasing the income from said farm land,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the California State Grange support legislation before the California State Legislature, which has incorporated within its scope the correction of the aforesaid injustice of taxation.

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Legis 12

CANNED FISH TO BE PROPERLY LABELED**Penngrove Grange No. 740**

WHEREAS: There exist certain methods of distribution to the buying public of canned fish, namely tuna and/or albacore, in sealed cans where the contents are not visible to the buyer where the condition, quantity and quality of the contents must be accepted from the printed label attached, and

WHEREAS: For the past four years there have been heavy importations of foreign frozen tuna and albacore packed in

the United States, where the label on the can does not identify the contents as an export, or name the exporting country, and

WHEREAS: The heavy inventories of this import, accepted duty free, has caused an extreme hardship on the American Tuna Fishing Industry, both in the price of the raw product and the domination of the market by the importing countries, and

WHEREAS: The American housewife cannot now determine, or have any method of choice, in buying the products of American labor, or the foreign import, since the brand names formerly associated with the highest grade of American product now are also used on the foreign import without so identifying, and

WHEREAS: The retail price of the two products do not vary in sufficient monetary amount to be a determining factor in the choice of purchase, and

WHEREAS: No bill has been enacted covering the subject of fish and fish products as being protected by the Health & Safety Code, or its amendments in the matter of substitutions or inferiorities, and

WHEREAS: Inanimate objects and materials such as Christmas decorations, chinaware, ceramics, photographic lens, bicycles, automobiles, and many other items are all properly identified as imports by stamp or other legend thereof and which permits the buyer a freedom of choice in purchase, and such objects do not constitute any hazard to health if of an inferior quality, and

WHEREAS: Certain imports of food products and fish from European countries are and must be labeled as imports,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the California State Grange initiate such necessary procedure as required to place before the coming National Grange a request to the Congress of the United States for a revised labeling act to specify import raw fish as such, canned in the United States; and that identification on the label be in type no smaller than the name of the canner, processor, or packer of the fish; and that it also be suggested similar identification be placed on all labels for canned fish which are the product of American labor; that totally imported canned fish be prominently iden-

tified as such on the label, stating the name of the exporting country.

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Legis. 14

**GIVING CONSUMERS THE ADVANTAGE OF TAX
SAVINGS ENJOYED BY UTILITIES**

Rio Linda Grange No. 403

WHEREAS: Recently the State Board of Equalization took action resulting in the material reduction of assessments of private companies in California, and

WHEREAS: Such reduction has resulted in substantial savings to these utilities, and

WHEREAS: Consumers have not received a rate reduction nor has any promise been made of such a reduction,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the California State Grange in convention in Sacramento, October 18 through 21st, request the State Public Utilities Commission to make available to consumers the advantages and savings enjoyed by the private utilities due to the reduction in assessments.

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Legis. 16

REAFFIRMING MONETARY RESTORATION PROGRAM

Contra Costa County Pomona Grange No. 45

WHEREAS: It is imperative that the American economy be forthwith established upon a practical, sound and constitutional monetary system if a national financial disaster is to be averted,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by Contra Costa County Pomona Grange No. 45 that said Pomona Grange urges the State Grange to reaffirm its position heretofore taken with reference to Brother Rees' program of Monetary Restoration, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the said Pomona Grange urges the Executive Committee of the State Grange to request the National Grange to immediately study and investigate the said fiscal policy and then urge the Congress of the United States of America to enact all necessary laws to make said program a reality.

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION NO. 1
BY LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

WHEREAS: A recent newspaper article proposed a \$5.00 tax be required of every adult person in California to finance civil defense in this State,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the California State Grange opposes the enactment of any such measure.

ROADS AND HIGHWAYS

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R. & H. 1

UNIFORM HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SIGNS AND
UNIFORM TRAFFIC LAWS

Merced County Pomona Grange No. 23

WHEREAS: The tremendous increase in the number of vehicles using our state and national highways make it necessary for more and better roads to be constructed, and

WHEREAS: Traffic laws and signs vary in different communities, and

WHEREAS: This variation creates confusion for the driver, and traffic hazards,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the California State Grange favor nation wide Grange support for the movement throughout the various United States towards adopting uniform highway traffic signs and uniform traffic laws.

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