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CONNECTICUT'S NATIONAL WINNER



HILARY HICKCOX

The C.W.A. of the Connecticut State Grange is proud to announce that we have a National winner in the Sewing Contest. Sister Ruth Hickcox of Weston, a member of Norfield Grange, has been awarded first prize at National level for her entry in Class C competition in the National Grange Sewing Contest.

Sister Hickcox made the winning entry for her five year old daughter Hilary who is shown wearing the (cont. on page 3, col. 2) CONNECTICUT
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3rd ANNUAL FAIR SUCCESSFUL

ANNUAL MEETING SEPT. 30, 1970

So the third annual Connecticut State Grange Fair slides into history-and as the dust drifts away we can look back on another, and more successful, State Grange Fair . . . this year a major fair in every sense of the word. True, there were tired bodies and feet, short tempers and sharp tongues, due to those tired bodies - there were cases of sunburn, lost items, and a sense of urgency to get the remaining (and most important to many people) facts assembled — the checks made out, and the totals totalled-but all in all, it was a successful Fair.

The addition of the Horse Show to the Fair Agenda proved highly successful. This portion of the fair more than paid for itself, monetarily, and also by bringing many more persons to the grounds. Many of us had no time to actually go to see the Horse Show, but even from a distance the beautiful horses, and well dressed riders were a pleasure to have. For a new Horse Show, the response was more amazing, and encouraging for another year. The fact that the Durham Fair Association had completed the Horse Ring as much as they had, made the entire proceedings so much easier. We are most appreciative of this.

A great deal of comment regarding the entertainment, both Saturday and Sunday, indicated that many people thoroughly enjoyed the acts that were secured. The United States Submarine Band was a thrilling (cont. on page 2, col. 3)



NOTES FROM THE EDITOR'S (LITTERED) DESK

SALESMANSHIP MEMO

The salesmen who collect the most commissions are those who make at least seven calls on a prospect before giving up. According to sales expert Howard Garroway, 8 percent of all sales are made after the fifth call. However, 43 percent of all salesmen make one call and quit; 25 percent call twice and then stop; 12 percent give up after the third call. In other words, the 80 percent of all sales referred to are made by only 20 percent of the salesmen—those who kept on calling after the others gave up.

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PAST NATIONAL MASTER PASSES ON TO THE GREAT GRANGE ABOVE

Herschel D. Newsom, beloved Past Master of the National Grange, died July 2 after suffering a heart attack two days earlier. Brother Newsom served as National Master for 18 years before resigning in 1968 to take an appointment by President Johnson as a Commissioner of the U. S. Tariff Commission.

Brother Newsom's dedication to the Grange and agriculture was known around the world. He had close relationships with four Presidents and many other world leaders. He distinguished himself as an international agriculture expert and carried forth Grange policies and programs into every available area.

One of Brother Newsom's fondest wishes when he was National Master was that the Grange would someday have a beautiful headquarters building in the nation's Capitol. Ten years ago such a building was dedicated and stands today as a monument to the perseverance and dedication of Brother Newsom.

Brother Newsom's contribution to the Grange, agriculture, rural America and all mankind are far too numerous to list. His membership in other organizations, the services he performed as a member of citizen committees, advisory committees and the many offices he held were all strengthened and enriched by his leadership and guidance.

Following Brother Newsom's death there was a Memorial Service in Washington, D.C. on Friday, July 3. Hundreds of Brother Newsom's colleagues, friends, former employees and Grange members attended the service. Then he was returned to his native state of Indiana where there were funeral services and he was laid to rest July 6 at the Garland Brook Cemetery in Columbus.

He is survived by his wife Blanche, two sons, Jesse and David and three grandchildren. FAIR (from page 1)

sight, and we were most fortunate to have them as a part of the entertainment. While all the acts were enjoyable, probably the one which caused the most comment was the group known as The Ambassadors of Harmony, and we understand they will be a part of the entertainment at the Lecturers' Conference in Connecticut.

Good food abounded on the fairgrounds-with breakfast served by one group, through the rest of the day by many others. Certainly if anyone went hungry, it was by their own choice. And even though the weather was so-o-o hot, people felt like eating. Seldom did you see a group of people without seeing them munching on something. The barbecue, as always, was a most popular spot-and the group that worked here was under pressure for the entire period of time. While not selling quite as many chickens as in the previous years, it was a very successful feature of the fair.

There was a big advance in the number of entries over last year, in nearly every department. The canned goods in particular, made a lovely showing this year—as well as the flowers, baked goods, vegetables, and needlework and sewing. All of these displays are what really go to make a good fair.

The Craft displays, in the fine new cases made by the Durham Fair Association, created a great deal of interest. There were also many more entries in this category than previously.

A lovely part of the fair, but one which does not receive full measure of attention is the Art Show and Photography Department. Situated as they are in the Town Hall, they are out of the way for many people to go to see. The entries in both of these departments were fine — but not numerous enough. Possibly some thought might be given to this before another year rolls around, with some suggestions made. The department heads, in both cases, work very hard to make these successful, and more attention should be focused on them.

The midway, this year the work of Arthur Evans, was much better in every way. The attendance on the green was much increased, and Mr. Evans expressed his satisfaction with the Fair and asked to come back with us for another year. The (cont. on page 11)

FROM THE MASTER:

I take pleasure in announcing that Sister Eva Dirkes of Pokono Grange #191, is this year's winner of the "Granger of The Year" award. This Contest is sponsored by the Farmers and Traders Life Insurance Co. of Syracuse, New York. Sister Dirkes will receive her award at the Insurance Breakfast at State Grange. Her role as Chairman of Pokono's Community Service Committee and her work on other civic projects has been outstanding. Sister Dirkes has surely earned the right to be called Connecticut's "Granger of the Year".

May I refer each of you to the last Connecticut Granger issue. In that issue I listed many of the deadlines, when different contest reports were due. May I take this opportunity to remind you of other important Dates. A letter has gone out to each Master, giving detailed instruction.

We must have Membership reports in by no later than October 1st. Some of our Patrons are going to win some nice prizes. Remember State Grange is Oct. 15-16-17, at the Holiday Inn, Meriden, Conn., and the pre-session Banquet is at 6:30 October 14th. All Deputies will have tickets to sell, they cost \$5.00 per person including tip and tax. If you are unable to pick up your ticket, be sure to let us know you are coming at least 5 days ahead. Our National Master, John Scott, is bringing us the Message of the evening.

Arrangements have been made with the Holiday Inn, in Meriden to improve the method of serving the meals during the session. We think many of the problems of the past will be eliminated.

I look forward to greeting not only Masters and Delegates at the Session, but also Patrons from all over the State. Our State Grange Motto gives us a challenge, so please continue to "Sow That Ye Shall Reap".

William W. Pearl, Master

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WINNER (from page 1) dress in the photograph.

Mrs. Hickcox is a graduate of Wellesley College and did graduate work at Cornell University in Children's Literature. Her time is now spent as a housewife with three children, ages 5, 7 and 8. She is active in the local Episcopal Church as Vestrywoman and Church Sunday School Teacher.

Mrs. Hickcox won first place in Class C by combining two McCall's Patterns, 2175 and 6594. Her winning entry for a little girl is a delicately smocked dress with long sleeves and matching slip-in pants trimmed with the dress fabric. In this class garments may include any type dress or suit made by a person 18 or over for a person under 18 including infants and small boys.



MRS. DAVIS

Mrs. Davis of Herman, Nebraska, won top honors in Class A with a three piece ensemble in red, white and blue made from McCall's Pattern 2284 in 100% cotton knit from Carletex. The ensemble includes an A-line skirt in red, a navy blue blouse trimmed in white and a red, white and blue coat lined to match the skirt and blouse. Entries in this class may include any type dress or suit made by a contestant 18 years of age and over for herself or another person in the same age group.



MISS HOLTHAUS

Miss Holthaus' of Littleton, Colorado, winning entry in Class B was a coat and dress ensemble in coordinating blue fabrics. The dress is an A-line with curved seaming, short sleeves and a hint of a raised collar. The coat has the same easy fit with a slight mandarin collar. Miss Houthaus used McCall's Pattern 9577. Garments in this group may include any type dress, suit, coordinated jumper or skirt and blouse made by a contestant 12 through 17 years of age for herself or another person in the same age group.

All of the national winners receive cash awards, U. S. Savings Bonds, Singer sewing machines and GE irons plus a number of other prizes. A Grand Award prize of a Hawaiian trip for two will be presented at the annual convention of the National Grange this November in Boise, Idaho. The Grand Award winner is selected from the first place winners in each class.

Co-sponsors of the contest are Mc-Call's Patterns, National Cotton Council of America, The Singer Company, B. Blumenthal & Co., Inc., Coats & Clark, Inc., John Dritz & Sons, William Prym, Inc. and Wm. E. Wright & Sons Co.

OUR JUNIOR GRANGE

Program Suggestions For September

THE VALUE OF A SMILE

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It is rest to the weary, daylight to the discouraged, sunshine to the sad, and Nature's best antidote for trouble.

Yet it cannot be bought, begged, borrowed, or stolen, for it is something that is no earthly good to anybody 'til it is given away

Nobody needs a smile so much as those who have none left to give. Important Dates to Remember

Matrons and Patrons Recognition Dinner on Saturday, September 19th at 6:30 p.m., Goodwill Grange Hall in Glastonbury.

State judging for Prince and Princess September 27th North Stonington, 2:00 p.m. Something for everyone in the family we are planning a gala affair in conjunction with the Youth. You can buy hot dogs, hamburgs, drinks etc. or bring a picnic lunch.

Reminder

Are your children working on their projects — October and State Session is just around the corner. Dorothy B. Mattson Junior Grange Supt.

CWA NEWS

This is a special appeal to all CWA Committees throughout the state. We are a long way from our goal in our contributions to Cystic Fibrosis. If you have not contributed, please do so at once. If you have already sent a check see if you can think of some way to raise enough money to send an additional contribution. Whatever you can do will be much appreciated.

Don't forget the Needlework Contest open to non-members as well as members. State judging will be done at State Sessions in Meriden in October.

As our National Master, John Scott, will be with us for State Sessions it would be especially gratifying to have a large number of entries to be judged at that time.

Winners of the contests judged at the State Grange Fair will be printed next month.

C. S. Y. G. NEWS

The Conn. State Youth Grange will hold Installation of Officers Sunday, September 13, at 7:30 p.m. at North Stonington Grange Hall. State Master Bill Pearl and his Installing Team will install the following Youth Officers:

Master—James Palmer Quinebaug Pomona

Overseer—Paul Miller, Jr. Quinebaug Pomona

Lecturer—Cindy Hale New Haven County Pomona

Ass't. Steward—John Halbach Quinebaug Pomona

Chaplain—Sally Hale New Haven County Pomona

Treasurer—P. Robert Duperre, Jr. Central Pomona

Secretary Barbara Kulisch Sea View Pomona

Gatekeeper—Thomas Moore Fairfield County Pomona

Ceres—Henrietta Kulisch Sea View Pomona

Pomona—Carol Barr Farmington Valley Pomona

Flora—Fern Patridge New London County Pomona

L.A.S.—Roberta AmEnde North Central Pomona

Executive Committee-

Robert Bertrand Excelsior Pomona

Excelsior Pomona Maureen Palmer

Mountain County Pomona

Henry Kulisch Sea View Pomona

Representatives will also be installed from East Central, Housatonic Valley and Pioneer Pomona.

She: I don't have a thing to wear; if anyone new came ever, they'd think I was the cook.

He: Not if they stayed for dinner.

Central Pomona No. 1

Eva Smith, Corr.

Bristol Grange will host Central Pomona on Sept. 10 at 7:30 p.m. The program will be "Whee! Schools In".

BRISTOL #116

Ethel Rusgrove, Corr.

During the summer months we have enjoyed a Mystery Ride which ended at our Lecturer's home with a pot luck picnic supper. Our Sept. 1st meeting will be "Where you all been".

Mrs. Janice Lyon was elected Master for the coming year and Robert Lyon, Lecturer. In the Baking Contest: banana bread, first, Ethel Rusgrove and tomato soup cake, first, William Dunnells.

Southington #23

Virginia Hoadley, Corr.

Our members were busy at the Conn. State Grange Fair manning the clam booth. Theresa Caliendo won first prize with her Bride Doll and second for her Patriotic Doll. Charles Uznanski was a winner for his bread board. Mildred Bell has been reelected Master and will be installed on Oct. 2nd by Kingsley Beecher and his staff. This is a change from the program in the handbook. A Neighbors' Night is scheduled for September 18th.

MATTABESSETT #42

Edith Kropack, Corr.

Mattabessett Grange Fair and Bar-B-Que on Saturday, Sept. 10, and a good one as usual. You fair goers made the State Grange Fair a success for us. We thank you. Coming programs: Saturday, Sept. 12, Summer Reminiscences and on Sept. 26, Installation of Officers. Welcome to our Grange, corner of Butternut St. and West St., Middletown, Conn.

WETHERSFIELD #114

Mildred S. Goodrich, Corr.

On Sept. 22nd Newington and Wethersfield Granges will have a joint installation. Sister Mildred Olsen and her installing staff will be installing Mr. Ralph Hall as Master of Newington Grange and Mr. Vasken Bandanzian as Master of Wethersfield Grange.

DURHAM #57

May Sanderson, Corr.

On Saturday evening, July 25th we served a very successful Old

Fashion Baked Bean Supper with Mary Newton as Chairman. During Durham Fair, the last week end in Sept., we will again serve supper. "Come one, come all."

MIDDLEFIELD #63

Marion Jones, Corr.

During the summer we honored Charles and Marion Jones with a plaque for co-chairmaning the successful Cancer Drive and the Grange received a citation for sponsoring the drive. Our meeting for Sept. 9th is Rally Day. Our officers will be installed on Sept. 23rd.

Quinebaug Pomona No. 2

Beverly Peck, Corr.

Edward Duhemel was re-elected Master at the June meeting. Installation will be at Senexet Grange on September 12th.

MANSFIELD #64 Beverly Peck, Corr.

Earle Peck has been re-elected for his fourth term and will be installed by Frank Ruff and his team. Our Youth Committee Chairman, William Peck spoke at the FFA Leadership Conference held in Washington. His topic, "The Grange and its Relationship to the Future Farmers of America".

NATCHAUG #68

Evalina Derosia, Corr.

Our installation of officers will be held on Sept. 18th. Brother Lloyd Abel, Jr. has won high honors in bowling for 1969-70.

LITTLE RIVER #36 Susan Emmons, Corr.

Adolph Halbach, Jr. has been elected Master for a second term. Alma Pearl represented Connecticut at the Mass. State Grange Youth Camp. She was also our Pomona Fair Queen candidate.

POMONA JUNIOR

Susan Emmons, Corr.

At our successful JG Round-Up, Eugene Duhamel, Little River Junior Grange was chosen Prince and Leslie Lawrence, Wolf Den, Princess.

POMONA YOUTH NEWS Susan Emmons, Corr.

James Palmer, Master of Echo Grange, will be installed Master of the Conn. State Youth Grange at their September meeting.

SENEXET #40

Annette Clark, Corr.

Our Springtime Minstrel Show was repeated in June for the benefit

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of the Day Kimball Hospital Development Fund when a goodly sum of money was raised. Our summer activities have included the Dairy Dinner, successful Card Parties, the Annual Picnic and painting our Grange Hall.

EKONK #89

During August we held our Mystery Ride and entered a Float in the V-J Day Parade at Moosup. Three of our youth will go to Vermont with the Youth Degree and Drill Team.

BROOKLYN #43 Sadie Huhtala, Corr.

During the summer months we have enjoyed slides of Ireland by Brother and Sister Cote and a special guest, a nurse who had served with Dr. Dooley in Algeria.

ECHO #180

Gloria Angell, Corr.

James Palmer was again elected Master of Echo Grange. Our youth are busy rehearing and raising funds for their trip to Vermont. We have donated to the FFA and National Grange Youth Fund.

WOLF DEN #62

Bonnie Brundett, Corr.

Our installation of officers is scheduled for Sept. 9th with Austin Emmons as installing Master. Thanks to all who helped, our Annual Bar-B-Q was a success.

WOLF DEN JUNIOR Bonnie Brundett, Corr.

Our installation of officers will be held on Oct. 11th. No meeting on Labor Day, we will meet on Sept. 21st.

East Central Pomona No. 3

EAST CENTRAL POMONA #3

East Central Pomona will meet on September 12th at Good Will Grange Hall. It is a 5:00 p.m. meeting with dinner served at 6:30 p.m. followed by Installation of Officers at 7:30 p.m. Hillstown Grange #87 is host. MANCHESTER #31

James McBrierty, Corr.

Our Open House on June 28th was an outstanding success. It was attended by Mayor Agostinelli, Town Manager Weiss and their wives, as well as other town officials. Many of our Pomona Officers were present. All were very complimentary on the work done on the building and grounds.

HILLSTOWN #87

Hillstown's members are busy at painting the windows of the hall and the overhang. Before winter sets in we plan on having aluminum storm windows installed. Remember the fair coming up September 18th and 19th, with our usual Turkey Dinner on Sept. 19th from 5:00-7:00 p.m.



KINGSLEY BEECHER

Kingsley Beecher, Director of Public Relations of the Conn. State Grange, breaks ground for Marlborough Grange's new hall. Looking on is Master Margaret Planeta. Brother Beecher, as a special Deputy, organized Marlborough Grange in 1940. Dedication of the hall is scheduled for October 1.

Marlborough Grange is scheduling a special Degree Day in September with all four Degrees being conferred to enable candidates to be ready for the Fifth Degree in October. Anyone wishing further details should contact Deputy Gerald Hauser.



FOUR HAPPY FELLOWS
Breaking ground for the long awaited Caretaker's Cabin at Camp Berger, (left to right) Bud Beecher,
Norm Wyble, Al Beckwith and Harry LaBonte.

Mountain County Pomona No. 4

EUREKA #62

Mrs. Elizabeth Roberge, Corr.

During the summer months we held meetings only once a month but have been busy installing a fence around our Grange property. Plans are progressing for the public Chicken Barbecue Dinner on September 27. Joe Bell will be the Chef. Our first fall program will be on September 15th when our Officers will be installed. Howard Brown has been re-elected Master.

PLYMOUTH #72

Pearl B. Foerch, Corr.

On Sept. 9th we will hear reports of officers and have a short program. Our new officers will be installed on the 23rd of September.

LITCHFIELD #107

Marian N. Plumb, Corr.

At a recent meeting Brother Donald K. Peck, Past Master of Conn. State Grange presented a 60-Year Veteran Certificate to Sister Bessie Dickinson and a Golden Sheaf Certificate to Brother Clarence H. Elliott. Our program "Drugs and the Nervous System" presented by Officer Moranino of Litchfield Barracks was open to the public.

New Haven County Pomona No. 5

NEW HAVEN COUNTY POMONA #5

Elizabeth Carlson, Corr.

We are again happy to announce for the second consecutive year that New Haven County Pomona's entry in the Fair Queen Contest won the title of Fair Queen. Ruth Haller of Wallingford Grange was crowned at the Connecticut State Grange Fair by the retiring Queen, Debbie Tomlinson of Woodbridge. We of New Haven County wish her every success during her reign. Kathy Chapman, New London County was First Runner-up and Nancy Urbanszky of Southington Grange and Central Pomona was second Runner-up. All of the eleven entrants exemplified the Grange to the highest degree-Connecticut's Finest.

BETHANY #188

Sister Bertha Nettleton is confined to her home and would certainly appreciate cards from her many friends throughout the state. Bethany's new slate of officers will be installed September 3 at Bethany Town Hall.

HAMDEN #99

The Annual Grange Fair will be held on Sept. 19 with booths of all kinds, entertainment for the Kiddies and followed by one of Hamden's Famous Suppers.

INDIAN RIVER #73

Lillian Hewitt, Corr.

Meetings have been held at the First Federal Bank building during the summer but will return to West Main St. School in September. Our annual picnic was held at the Carver Hortons and we wish to thank them for hosting this event. A day in September has been designated as "Rid Litter Day" and groups will meet on the Green and be assigned to various spots for clean up. September 4 is Booster Night and officers will be installed Sept. 18.

NORTH HAVEN #35 The Tollettes, Corr.

A successful fair was held on Aug. 8 and a delicious Ham Supper was served in the evening with good at-

AT THE FAIR



Susan Brown of Franklin presents an award of appreciation to Richard Bawden, Livestock Supt.

tendance. Congratulations to the Fair Committee and to Sisters Marion Thompson and Louise Neubig who Chaired the Supper. There will be a combined installation of officers with Totoket Grange on Sept. 8.

TOTOKET #83 Elizabeth Carlson, Corr.

Exchange Officers' Night was held in August and on Sept. 8 Officers from North Haven and Totoket will be jointly installed.

WALLINGFORD #33 William R. Bradford, Corr.

At the recent 85th Anniversary meeting 50 year Membership Certificates were presented to George Pogmore, Fred Pogmore, Lillian Smith and Gladys Cook. Also at the same meeting 25-Year Membership awards to Charles Fenn, William McNally, Sr. and Marion Beanmont. The Wallingford Third Degree Team conferred the degree at the Special Degree Day meeting held at Cheshire Grange.

CHESHIRE #23 Mary Hale, Corr.

Our meetings for September, the 2nd, Booster Night-Open House and the 16th, installation of officers. The Pomona Grange Installation of officers will be held at Cheshire Grange Hall on Sept. 14th. Our Cheshire Grange Fair is scheduled for Sept. 12 and 13. Along with all the usual fair activities will be a pie eating contest on Saturday the 12th plus entertainment in the evening. A roast beef dinner is planned for Sunday from 12 noon to 2 p.m.

New London County Pomona No. 6

NEW LONDON COUNTY POMONA #6

New London County Pomona Grange #6 has elected their officers for the coming two years. Elected Master was Arnold Kendall of Preston City Grange. Brother Kendall is a Past Master of Preston City Grange and is presently serving as Deputy of New London County. Sister Viola Johnson also of Preston City Grange was elected Lecturer. Sister Johnson is presently serving as Master of Preston City Grange. Secretary for the coming term will be Sister Shirley Patridge of Franklin Grange. Sister Patridge is Master of Franklin Grange and Chairman of the Publicity Committee of the Connecticut State Grange.

LEDYARD JUNIOR #58

Elecion of officers was held at the June meeting with Sister Lori Laputz being elected to the office of Master. Outgoing Master Leslie Laputz was elected to the office of Lecturer. Sister Patricia Ondrieka was elected to the office of Secretary. Sister Virginia Laputz will be Matron for the coming year and the present Patron, Brother Stephen Laputz has been elected Master of Ledyard Subordinate Grange.

NORTH STONINGTON #138 Mrs. Rose Jean Berg, Corr.

North Stonington Grange was proud to present its first One Hundred Dollar Scholarship to a youth, furthering their education in the Field of Agriculture or Homemaking, to George Storey who is also a member of No. Stonington Grange. Past Master Eugene Speck presented the Award at Class Night Exercises at Wheeler High School on June 11th. The Grange voted to send a donation to the National Youth Leadership Fund. In honor of Flag Day, Lecturer Marcia White presented a Patriotic Program titled "Grand Old Flag".

SALEM #166

Mary Gaouette, Corr.

Brother Leo Winakor has been elected Master of Salem Grange with Mary Gaouette, Lecturer and Hilda Bazzell as Secretary. We have held a successful meeting on the subject, "Doctors for All", when our Deputy Arnold Kendall was present to explain the program. NORWICH #172

Norwich Grange has elected Brother Howard Lucy as Master for his second term. Sister Louise S. Chapman was elected as Lecturer and Brother Edward Babbitt was elected to the office of Secretary.

MONTVILLE #212

Peter Sepowitz, Corr.

Election of officers for Montville Grange #212 was held Tuesday, July



Edward Babbitt, Trustee of Camp Berger, presents Charles Rathbun with his 50-Year Certificate.

7th, with Brother Leland Holmes being elected Master. Also elected were: Geneva Thibeault as Lecturer and Lillian Miller, Secretary. At our Anniversary meeting held last August we were honored by having many state officers as guests, among them State Master William Pearl and State Lecturer Mervin Whipple.

Excelsion Pomona No. 7

EXCELSIOR POMONA #7 Joanne Cipriano, Corr.

Excelsior Pomona will meet September 16 in Wolcott. The program will be "Those Quiz Kids" with the members of Prospect, Wolcott and Mad River Grange taking part. Special Fifth Degree will be conferred at Prospect Grange on Oct. 7th. ROXBURY #7

Our Officers will be installed on Sept. 1. These officers will be headed by Gregory Gillette as Master. WASHINGTON #11

Linda Tooth, Corr.

We will start off the new Grange Year on Monday, Sept. 21st with our Installation of Officers. Brother Andrew Kachele and his team from Trumbull will do the installing. Sister Linda Tooth will be installed as Master and Sister Alice Button as our Lecturer.

MAD RIVER #71

Our programs for September are Sept. 3-1st and 2nd degrees; Sept. 17, 3rd and 4th degrees with Harvest Supper; Sept. 25, Installation of Officers when Eugene Niewirowicz will be installed as Master.

BEACON VALLEY #103 Joanne Cipriano, Corr.

On September 12 our program will be Exchange Officers' Night and on September 25 our Officers will be installed by Brother Carlton Platt and his team. Anna Behlman will be installed for her second term as Master. Plans are being made for an auction to be held on September 19. BETHLEHEM #121

Clara Osuch, Corr.

Bethlehem Grange has elected Sister Kay Holden Master and Sister Florence Brolin Lecturer for the coming term. These plus the remaining officers will be installed by Brother Kingsley Beecher's team preceded by a pot luck supper at 6:30 on Sept. 28th. We will have an exhibit at the Bethlehem Fair.

WATERTOWN #122

Our officers will be installed on September 18th with Sister Florence Byrnes as Master.

ROCK RIMMON #142

Sister Ann Butkus will be installed Master plus the other officers on September 23.

MIDDLEBURY #139

Daniel Koonz has been elected Master of Middlebury Grange and Sister Clara Miner, Lecturer. Our officers will be installed on September 8. PROSPECT #144

Ruth Cowdell, Corr.

Prospect Grange will hold installation of officers Sept. 11, and on the 25th there will be no meeting in preparation for our annual Fair on the 26th. This is a reversal from the listing in Excelsior handbook.

BEACON VALLEY JRS. #5

We presented a program for the members of Oxford Grange in June. We have been invited to install the officers of Washington Jr. Grange September 19th.

WASHINGTON JUNIORS #94

We will have our first meeting of the new Grange Year on Saturday, September 19th at 2:00. At this meeting, we will install Brother Norman Collins as our new Master.

Sea View Pomona No. 8

SEA VIEW POMONA #8 Regina Stands, Corr.

Sea View Pomona will hold the installation of Officers on Sep. 10th at Old Saybrook Grange Hall at 8 p.m. Brother Charles Petzold will be installed as Master.

EAST HADDAM # Eva Williams, Corr.

Our big event for the summer months was our July meeting when Sister Adelaid Brainard was presented with her 50-Year Certificate.



(Left to Right) Worthy Master Tony DePaulo congratulates Sister Adelaid Brainard on receiving her 50-Year Certificate which has just been presented by Conn. State Grange Chaplain, Carlton Platt.

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Fairfield County Pomona No. 9

FAIRFIELD COUNTY POMONA #9

Fairfield County Pomona #9 will have a regular meeting at Greenfield Hill Grange Hall on September 2nd. Supper will be served by Ridgefield Grange at 6:00 p.m., after which the meeting will be presided over by "Bert" Mayhew, Master. The program "We Gather Together" will be presented by Sister Pennell, Lect. DANBURY #156

R. Slate, Corr.

Installation of officers will take place on the evening of Sept. 24th, by Andy Kaechele and his team. Danbury Grange is making plans to enter an exhibition at the Danbury Fair, starting October 3rd. DANBURY JUNIOR #86

Danbury Junior Grange has not met during the warm weather due to vacations, but will resume meetings on Sept. 4th, at 7:30 p.m. POKONO #191

Eve Dirkes, Corr.

Our July party at Fairfield Hills Hospital, hostessed by the Congraternity of the Rosary, was a picnic for 40 patients on the grounds of Litchfield House where a drug correction program is in progress. We contributed spending money to Fresh

Air Fund children at Camp Berger, performed many tasks at the Brookfield Bloodmobile and helped keep town park flowers watered during the prolonged hot spell.

NEW CANAAN #38 Charlie Gortner, Corr.

Franklyn Holly, newly elected Master of New Canaan Grange #38 and his officers will be installed at a public installation at the Masonic Temple on Main Street on Tuesday evening, September 22. Andrew Kachele of Trumbull, Pomona Past Master and his staff will conduct the ceremonies. The public is cordially invited. Howard Smith, the outgoing Master and his wife. Beatrice Smith, secretary entertained the Grangers at a picnic at their cottage at Lake Waccubuc last month.

TRUMBULL #134 Lillian H. Brewer, Corr.

Committees of Trumbull Grange #134, for the coming year were chosen at a recent special meeting called by Master-elect Sister Gerald Gevry. Our officers will be installed on September 18th by Andrew Kachele and his installing team.

Housatonic Valley Pomona No. 10

CORNWALL #32

Amy V. Whitcomb, Corr.

Cornwall Grange held one regular meeting during August, the Brothers were in charge of refreshments. September 14th is installation of officers and September 28th will be Booster's Night.

KENT #154

Beatrice Trombly, Corr.

On July 1st Kent Grange held a very interesting program entitled Independence Day, On July 15th they held their annual picnic at Macedonia State Park with 30 mem-

AT THE FAIR



Apaloosa Queen Fern Acond attended our First Annual Horse Show at the Fair.

bers attending and 25 members of Brewster Grange, New York as our guests. Lecturer Beatrice Trombly is planning to attend a Lecturer's Conference at Durham, N. H.

WICHITA #132 Charlotte Rowe, Corr.

Our summer activities included a very successful Dairy Dinner with over 300 in attendance plus a Mystery Ride and picnic at the home of our Worthy Master.

Farmington Valley Pomona No. 11

TUNXIS #13

Margaret Hane, Corr.

Donald Shaw, elected Master of Tunxis Grange and his officers will be installed at the Grange Hall on September 15th in a semi-public installation. The Sept. 1st meeting will be open house with guests welcome.

CAWASA #34

Hazel Bradley, Corr.

Joseph Howland will be installed as our new Master on Sept. 25. We have held two card parties this summer. A food sale will be held on the Canton Green on September 19.

WINDSOR #2

During the summer months we have held a picnic at the cottage of Walter and Ann Howe on Congamond Lake. Our new officers will be installed by Alma Brooks and her installing team on Sept. 10th with Mike Kotowicz as Master. During September card parties will be held at the Grange Hall on the 12th and

GRANBY #5

Vivian Shaw, Corr.

Walter Motyka is our Master-elect with Sully Dubay elected as Lecturer for the second term. At our Sept. 3rd meeting we will be preparing for our Grange Fair to be held on Sept. 12th starting at 3 p.m. The Granby Grange Agricultural Fair is open to the public with a Chicken Barbecue from 5 thru 7 p.m. The Sept. 17th program, an informal Bash-mostly music.

FARMINGTON #94 Mamie Woodward, Corr.

This summer we have held a successful Dairy Dinner and also a financially successful Stanley Products sale by members of our Grange. The highlight of our summer was a visit from Hedwig Westfal of Florida, a former member of Farmington Grange.

AT THE FAIR



Herdman's awards were presented to these young people by Richard Bawden, Livestock Supt. (Left to right) 1st row: Richard Smalley, Billy Trojanoski; 2nd row: Meg Parent, Anne Rowley, Sharon Mullaly, Susan White; 3rd row: Alan Munson, Mark Maynard.

Pioneer Pomona No. 12

PIONEER POMONO #12

D. M. Kasperait, Corr.

September 9, at 7:30, in Norfield Grange Hall, State Chaplain Carlton Platt and his team will install Lyman Clark as Master of Pioneer Pomona, together with the rest of the officers for 1970-71. Officers will give their reports and a social hour will follow the meeting.

On Sunday, November 8, at Harmony Grange Hall, Mrs. Maud Haines, the 1970-71 Chaplain, is arranging a Grange Church Service, with Brother Carlton Platt the speaker. Chaplains of the subordinate Granges will assist in the service. Pioneer will confer the fifth degree at Harmony's hall on Monday, October 12, at 7:30 p.m. Candidates from other Pomonas will be welcome.

NORFIELD #146

Sunday, September 6—the annual Country Fair-at the Grange Hallspecial attraction-a Joe Bell Barbecue-tickets must be purchased in advance. Entries will be welcomed from Grangers or non-Grangers. Contact Ray Fitch for details. In case the weather man gets his signals mixed the rain date is Sept. 7. HARMONY #92

D. M. Kasperait, Corr.

A rummage sale at our hall, for the benefit of the "tile floor" fund Sept. 18 and our annual Grange Fair -something for everyone. Entries in foods, vegetables, fruits, needlework, etc. will be welcomed from Grangers

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At our August meeting, we honored our second 75-year member, Mrs. Elosia Curtiss. The certificate was presented by State Master William Pearl, with many visitors present. Mrs. Curtiss' daughter, Mrs. Edith Lucas, will receive her 60-Year Certificate this year. Both are still active and regular attendants at meetings.

SHELTON #186 Edith Sullivan, Corr.

Brother Walter Osborn has been elected Master of Shelton Grange for 1970-71 and will be installed with the other elected officers on September 15th by Deputy Duane Wetmore of Hamden and his installing team. We congratulated Brother Tim Kelleher for the fine Horse Show he supervised at the recently held State Grange Fair.

North Central Pomona No. 13

TOLLAND #51



At a recent meeting of Tolland Grange #51, with her family and friends attending, Sister Helen Wilcox, wife of Past State Master Ira Wilcox, was presented her 50-Year Certificate and Pin by State Secretary Ellsworth Covell.

EAST HARTFORD #37

Isabel Skiba, Corr.

East Hartford has elected Elmer Griggs for his second term as Master. At the meeting on August 21st, plans were made for the open meeting, "Booster Night", to be held Sept. 4th. Installation of officers, September 18th, visitors to both meetings welcome.

CENTENNIAL LECTURER'S ASSOCIATION

Ruth E. March, Corr.

The members and "Open House" committee are looking forward to seeing the Past, Present and Assistant Lecturer's with spouse on September 29th, at Simsbury Grange

The entertainment hour starts at eight and will show varied talents.

Our first degree team is ready to initiate the in-between candidates.

FAIR (from page 2) midway problem therefore seems to have been overcome.

Books—books—books—how many thousand books were brought to the Fair is uncertain, but it is a sure thing that thousands were sold. This was a highly successful venture. The little book store really was a popular place and many people browsed for long periods of time. There were some books left, that is true, but many, many books were sold, giving added pleasure to other than their original owners.

The auction to benefit the Keech Memorial Field was an interesting spot for many persons. In fact we heard of one family that came to the Fair because of the auction! The items donated by the Granges for this project were very nice, and one hundred and one Granges responded to the request. Percentage wise, that is not too bad, although it would have been better to have had one hundred percent response. However, three hundred forty-eight dollars was realized in the two-hour sale, and this, of course, goes directly to the fund for the athletic field.

Many comments were heard praising the beautiful Grange display, featuring the Graces, which was at the end of the Craft Building. The committee which worked on this did a superlative job, and every lovely detail was complete.

With the fair opening on Friday evening, as it did this year, some of the problems were overcome—although others may have been created. Activities in the drawing pit did not go so late on Saturday evening, for one thing, although it was late on Friday when they were completed. Perhaps a happy medium might be worked out here. But certainly, all the drawings . . . pony, oxen, and horse . . . draw an amazing crowd of fans, who stay right thru, regardless of the time.

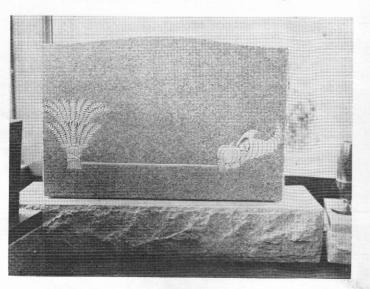
All the personnel at the Fair—first aid people, nurses, constables, police, gate men, and all those responsible for various departments, are to be commended for the work which they did. Things seemed to run most smoothly and efficiently, and it was no accident, but the result of much hard work. No names are being mentioned deliberately,

for fear someone might be inadvertently omitted, but we would mention that the entire proceedings were coordinated most successfully thru the public address system. And did you know that a certain rubber chicken received another ribbon?

No statistics are available at this writing, to be published. Believe it or not, there is still money to be returned for tickets—membership tickets being purchased even now. We can say that the gate returns show an increase in attendance. We can say that much more money was deposited—but we cannot say what the final results will be. Bills are still coming in, along with those returns! With an undertaking as large as this, it stands to reason that there are tremendous bills to be taken care of.

The Fair, which is now legally incorporated, will hold its first annual meeting on September 30th, at a place to be announced. At that time full results of the fair financial returns will be made. By that time all premiums will have been paid, and hopefully, all monies paid to the treasurer. It should be an interesting picture.

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