## Winchester Grange Membership at 590

WINSTED — Winchester Grange met Tuesday evening, with a harvest supper served to about 125 members prior to the business meeting which was conducted by Barry Beecher, master. Frank Prelli, State Master and Mrs. Prelli, were special guests of the evening.

The large class of new members receiving the third and fourth degrees brought the membership of Winchester Grange to nearly 590 members, making it the largest grange in the state. Those becoming members last evening were Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lowell, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Wagner, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Audia, Mr. and Mrs. Irving Simons, Mrs. Grace Gaghan, Mr. and Mrs. George Griswold, Mr. and Mrs. Alymer Smith, Charles R., Charles J., and Bradley Nash, Mrs. Dorothy Didsbury, Margaret Didsbury, Elizabeth English, Jay Moraski, Brian Carroll, Daithi Houlihan, Ellen Fancher, Linda Youmatz, Berger, Hurlbut. Mr. and Mrs. John Terzuolo, Jacob Matzko, Mrs. Anna Cattey and Kathleen Kissko.

The third degree was conferred by the ladies' degree team with Miss Susan Addison

as master and fourth degree by the regular officers.

Certificates for 25 years of membership were presented to Mr. and Mrs. Harry Blackburn, Mrs. Emily Hermann and Mrs. Mildred Waldron by the State Master.

Members were reminded of the fifth degree which will be conferred on May 13 in Winchester. Anyone interested in becoming a Pomona member is asked to contact the secretary, Mrs. Ellsworth Beecher.

The Sewing Contest will be judged in Winchester early in May, with Pomona judging on May 13 at the Pomona meeting.

The Junior Grange will conduct a Clean-up Day on Saturday, April 27, with the children meeting at the hall at 9 a.m. to go with the various trucks and adults to clean the roadsides leading out of Winchester Center. This has become an annual event for the children.

The annual Spring Concert will be held at Winchester on May 4, with curtain time at 8 p.m. An evening of entertainment, dancing, food sale, door prizes and refreshments is planned. There will be a plant sale held in the lower hall.

The Spring Barbeque was announced for May 19 at Camp Berger, sponsored by the AltaDon Club, with servings at 1 and 5 p.m. Tickets are available from King and Ellsworth Beecher, and may be reserved in advance.

A rummage sale will be held at the hall, sponsored by the Fire Department Auxiliary this Saturday, April 27 from 9 a.m. to noon. Refreshments will be available.

The next meeting of Winchester Grange will be May 14, with the lecturer planning a program relative to gardening organically. Refreshments will be served by Miss Virginia Manchester and her committee.