Grange Given Two Awards in State Group

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PELHAM, N. H., Dec. 16—At the N. H. State Grange meeting held at Laconia this week, Mrs. Velma L. Houle, master of Pelham Grange, was awarded an ivory gavel as first prize for ritualistic work performed by Pelham Grange in which as master she took a leading part. First prize was also awarded to Mrs. Mary H. Sherburne, lecturer of Pelham Grange for literary work and excellence of the program throughout the year. This prize was a framed picture of Mt. Cho- corea. These awards applied to all included about 15 other Grange work in District 25 which throughout the state to be awarded two of the State Grange prizes, and was also one of the 30 “honor” Granges.

The fiscal year for the town of Pelham end this year on Dec. 31. On previous years, Jan. 31 marked the end of the town’s business year.

The December meeting of the P-T A was held at the town hall Thursday with Mrs. Flossie Ham- mar, president, conducting the business session. The program was under the direction of Mrs. Velma Houle, with a Christmas pageant as the principal feature. Those who took part in the pa- geant were as follows: Harriet Hobbs, Harry Edwards, Ernest Sherburne, Elmer Raymond, Edward Greenwood, Fred Sweet, Herbert Nystrom, Lorin Raymond, Barbara Atwood, Claire Morris, Shirley Atwood, Esther Nystrom, Helen Raymond and Alice Houle. Group singing was also enjoyed, and Harriet Hobbs gave a reading on “The Night Before Christmas.” Refreshments were served in the lower hall by Mrs. Houle and assistants.

Miss Alice G. Stickney will leave for Florida on Monday to join her brother, Charles B. Stickney and his family in St. Petersburg. She is visiting friends in Arlington this week-end.

Services at the Congregational church tomorrow are Sunday school at 10 a. m.; at 11 a.m., morning worship and sermon, “Realized Hope” by the pastor, Rev. G. E. Williams, will be held. At 8 p.m., the choir, under the direction of Mrs. Ernest Bigelow will present a cantata of Christmas anthems and parts of Handel’s “Messiah.” Tuesday at 7:30 the children of the Sunday school will present their annual Christmas tree program.