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Title: Records of the Riverside Grange #125, Three Bridges, NJ Extent of the unit of description: 3 boxes; 2.25 linear feet

Scope & Content / Abstract:

Abstract: This collection is comprised of records of the Riverside Grange #125, Three Bridges, N.J., 1900-2002. The collection contains loose manuscripts that detail the specific history of this Grange chapter, its relationship with the State Grange, a record of members from various points in its history, and various scrapbooks produced by members. This collection would be of interest to anyone researching the history of Three Bridges, the Riverside Grange, Granges in NJ, or the genealogy of people in the Three Bridges area.

Scope and Content:

Folders 1-13 contain fragmentary formal records pertaining to this specific grange, including histories, closing documents, records of officers, membership, and other business.

Folders 14-17 contain materials relating to the State Grange and to Granges in general. These are of great interest in understanding Grange culture and the place of the Grange in an agrarian society.

Folders 18-21 are scrapbooks of the Riverside Grange.

Of particular interest in this collection is a bound ledger of detailed membership records from 1949 to 2002, and a set of scrapbboks from 1945 to 1947, and 1991 to 2002.

Context:

Dates of accumulation: 1900-2002

Administrative / Biographical history: The Riverside Grange No. 125 was founded in Three Bridges in March of 1900. There were 26 brothers and 7 sisters as founding members. The hall building was built in 1903 on land purchased from Lambert Kline. A feed room was added to the hall in 1910 and the hall was enlarged again in 1918. In 1918, the Riverside Grange was the third largest in the State of NJ. The Grange was involved in many far reaching activities and had influential effects upon the community. Community service programs such as 4-H, Garden Club, home canning, library access, dances, dinners, and educational speakers were all sponosred by the Grange. The legislative committee lobbied for farm advocacy in local and national issues. And the grange acted as the forerunner of the extension service before that had been organized through the State, helping with financing, insurance, agricultural practices and education, and market organization.

Due to declining membership, the Riverside Grange merged with the Stanton Grange in 2002. Lois Hanna, last Secretary of Riverside Grange as an independent entity, donated this collection of its records to the Hunterdon County Historical Society.

Structure:

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