

Inventory of the

**Etna Grange**  
Malta Township, Illinois

Records

In the

Regional History Center

**RC 63**

## INTRODUCTION

Mr. Clayton Munson, Sycamore, Illinois, donated the Etna Grange No. 1890 Collection to the Regional History Center on May 22, 1979.

Property rights in the collection are held by the Regional History Center; literary rights are dedicated to the public. There are no restrictions on access to the collection.

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## SCOPE AND CONTENT

These records document a substantial portion of the Etna Grange No. 1890 history. Materials in the collection include articles of incorporation and dispensation (1937), the original charter (1937), insurance items (1941-1947), minute books (1937-1955), Grange publications, and membership application/demit forms arranged alphabetically (1937-1961). Also included in the collection is a Grange chaff symbol.

This collection is incomplete in that it does not contain any correspondence and lacks the organization's minutes for the later years.

## HISTORICAL SKETCH

On September 13, 1937, eighty-one charter members gathered together in the Malta High School to found the Etna Grange No. 1890. During the ensuing years the monthly meetings were variously held at member's homes or the local town hall. Grange membership sponsored dances, insurance programs, singing groups, sports teams and guest speakers. Interest eventually waned and in the early 1960s the Etna subordinate disbanded.

## SUBJECT TRACINGS

Etna Grange  
Grange  
Malta

COLLECTION INVENTORY

<u>BOX</u>	<u>FOLDER</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>
1	1	Incorporation/Dispensation Articles, 1937
	2	Insurance forms, 1941-1943, 1947
	3-6	Minute books, 1937-1955
	7	National Grange publications, 1935-1960
	8	Membership applications/demit forms, A-Z, 1937-1961
		<u>ENVELOPE</u>
	1	Grange chaff symbol