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Your Excellency, Mayor Nelson, officers of the State Grange, ladies and gentlemen:

As chief executive, ~~as~~ it is a privilege and an honor to extend to you the most cordial welcome in behalf of our citizens.

In so doing I feel entirely at home in this atmosphere because of the fact that I belong to the Grange.

You have come to our City in conjunction with a well organized Mystery Gypsy Caravan; however I sincerely hope that you will keep on coming here frequently and that Lewiston will always be the destination of every Granger of the State that wishes to visit a city of hospitality and good will.

May we, in a not distant future, offer to you a still larger hall where we would be honored to welcome not 5,000 but 10,000 or more ~~as~~ members of the Grange.