



## Horticultural Society: Letters Received and Sent

### **Copyright Notice:**

This material may be protected by copyright law (U.S. Code, Title 17). Researchers are liable for any infringement. For more information, visit [www.mnhs.org/copyright](http://www.mnhs.org/copyright).

NORTHERN NUT GROWERS ASSOCIATION

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

ROBERT T. MORRIS 616 MADISON AVE.  
PRESIDENT NEW YORK CITY

T. P. LITTLEPAGE BOONVILLE INDIANA  
VICE-PRESIDENT

W. C. DEMING WESTCHESTER N. Y. CITY  
SECRETARY AND TREASURER

JOHN CRAIG CORNELL UNIVERSITY  
ITHACA NEW YORK

C. A. REED DEPT. OF AGRICULTURE  
WASHINGTON D. C.

W. N. ROPER PETERSBURG VIRGINIA

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

Oct. 23 1912

Mr. A.W.Latham,  
Minneapolis, Minn.

My dear Mr. Latham:-

I am very glad to know of your interest in nut growing. I shall be glad to send you our annual report in exchange for yours, if agreeable to you, and such literature as we may publish.

One of our most active members, and one whom you must know, is Col. C.A. Van Duzee of St. Paul. Miss Bessie Chute, 1024 University Ave. Minneapolis is another of our members.

Others with whom I have had some correspondence are;

E.K. Smith, 213 Phoenix Building, Minneapolis

D.H. Fairchild, St. Paul

Henry Husser, Minneiska

Clarence Wedge, Albert Lea

Fred Cutting, Byron

Roy Underwood, Lake City

W.O. Chamberlin, 300 Nicollet Ave. Minneapolis

Perhaps not all of these are correspondents. I think I got the names of some of them from the membership list of the National Association. Col. Van Duzee is the best one I know of in your state.

Our next meeting will be on Dec. 18 and 19 at Lancaster Pa. I shall be glad to be of service in any way I can.

Yours truly



# The Luverne Nursery

C. E. OLDER, Proprietor

Luverne, Minnesota, NOV 17 1912 191...

Mr A. W. Latham  
Minneapolis Minn

Friend Latham

I expect to be at the meeting and hope to stay the whole time and will settle my acct when I come you ask if I am going with the Institut, that is what I should like to know myself. I wrote Mr Wilson and he wrote me Oct 23<sup>d</sup> that they would only run 4 corps this winter and did not know then whether he would want me or not - but he anticipated that he would,

Perhaps a word from you might do good and if you find out what he intends with me I would esteem it a favor to know so I can make arrangements with my stock. I dont know but I would be ahead in the long run if he turned me down but I would like to make up for some I lost last year as I only got \$50<sup>00</sup> for my work and paid \$140<sup>00</sup> for mileage book and did not ~~use~~ but half of it.

Say - But I must tell you about my new seedling plums, "Shant holler" must till I try them another year but H. S. Patten was here when I was putting them up for the Lyon County Iowa Fair and after looking over all of them he said, Older you have the finest collection of plums I ever saw and that one (no 51) is the best plum I ever saw in my life will tell you more when I see you,

Yours truly C E Older  
got \$10<sup>00</sup> premium on seedling Plums when all they paid

Older

for sample later Bon was \$400

# THE CITY OF LUVERNE, MINNESOTA

is the county seat of Rock county, one of the smallest, and acknowledged richest, counties in the state. Luverne is located in the center of the county and is 211 miles southwest of St. Paul, on the C. St. P. M. and O. and C. R. I. and P. railroads. The city is in keeping with its county, being one of the prettiest, cleanest and wealthiest cities of its size in the northwest. Luverne is particularly noted for its beautiful homes, and has the reputation of having more large and imposing residences than the majority of the cities of twice its size. Moreover, all of its homes are good and substantial, there not being a "shack" in the city. Luverne is also noted for its fine shade trees, which line every street and are so large and numerous that from the hills around the city it looks like an immense grove, for only the tops of the largest buildings can be seen. The streets are thoroughly gravelled and are lined with fine cement walks, there being not a foot of board walk in the city. A fine natural park is another of Luverne's advantages.

Luverne was founded in 1870, incorporated as a village in 1878, and as a city in 1902, and is governed by a mayor and common council. Its population in 1900 was 2,223, and it is understood that the 1910 census will show a population of approximately 3,000. Luverne has never had a "boom" and its growth, therefore, has been most healthful. During the past year over forty fine new residences have been built and many more will be built before the close of 1910. A number of new business blocks have also been built the past year, and plans for others are now being completed.

As a business center Luverne is fast forging to the front. In round numbers it has one hundred business houses, including four large and prosperous banks. It also has many manufacturing industries, including a big and steadily growing automobile factory, which turns out an exceptionally fine line of 30 and 40 H. P. touring cars; a large sand-lime pressed brick factory, a clay brick and tile factory, a cement block factory, large bottling works, a marble working plant and many other smaller industries. Three miles north of the city are two stone quarries, from which are taken exceptionally fine building stone of dark red color. Samples of this stone have been awarded high prizes at the world's fairs. There are many business and public buildings in the city built of this stone, including Rock county's handsome court house, and Luverne's fine high school building. A number of fine residences are also built of this stone.

The city owns and operates its electric light and waterworks plant and has a very complete system; also first-class volunteer fire department.

Luverne has two large public school buildings. Seven hundred pupils are enrolled in the schools and twenty teachers are employed. There are nine churches in the city, nearly all of which are substantial structures.

Rock county is primarily an agricultural county, but the farmers give much attention to stock raising, and there are many fine herds of blooded horses, cattle, sheep and hogs. Being situated in the center of the county Luverne is a big shipping point. This is well indicated by the fact that it has seven elevators and a flouring mill.

Space will not permit further enumeration, but enough has been said to show that Luverne is justly entitled to its reputation of being "one of the best and most beautiful little cities in the Northwest."

## BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL DIRECTORY

### BANKS

Rock County Bank  
The Farmers' National  
National Bank of Luverne  
First National Bank

### GENERAL STORES

Nelson Brothers  
Hawes & Son

### DRY GOODS

Nelson Brothers  
Hawes & Son

### GROCERS

Nelson Brothers  
Hawes & Son  
John Cameron

### SHOES

Nelson Brothers  
Hawes & Son

### CLOTHING

Nelson Brothers

### MILLINERY

Mrs. E. F. Collins

### HARDWARE

J. W. Gerber  
E. M. Backer

### FURNITURE

J. M. Rustad  
I. I. Smith

### PAINTS & OILS

E. M. Backer  
J. W. Gerber  
Mead & Treat

### SPORTING GOODS

J. W. Gerber  
E. M. Backer

### UNDERTAKERS

J. M. Rustad  
I. I. Smith

### DRUGS

John Connell  
Mead & Treat

### STATIONERY & NEWS

John Connell  
J. A. Harroun

### SODA FOUNTAIN

John Connell

### CONCRETE BUILDING MATERIAL

Luverne Concrete Co.

### PLUMBING, ELECTRIC AND STEAM FITTING

W. A. Jones

### PRESSED BRICK

Luverne Pressed Brick Co

### BRICK & TILE FACTORY

Luverne Brick & Tile Co.

### FLOUR MILL

John P. Coffey

### PHOTOGRAPHER

O. S. Myhre

### PIANOS & MUSICAL GOODS

J. A. Harroun  
O. S. Myhre

### NURSERY

Luverne Nursery Co.

### MARBLE & GRANITE WKS.

James Horne

### CREAMERY

F. P. Jones

### ICE CREAM MFG

F. P. Jones

### LAUNDRY

H. C. Tibbetts

### REAL ESTATE

Ferguson Bros. & Vincent  
H. Fitzer

### LOANS & INSURANCE

Ferguson Bros. & Vincent  
R. B. Hinkly  
Jay A. Kennicott

### LAWYERS

Jay A. Kennicott  
C. H. Christopherson

### GEN'L BLACKSMITHING

A. Stienfeldt  
G. W. Cottrell

### EXPERT HORSE SHOEING

A. Stienfeldt  
G. W. Cottrell

### WHOLESALE & RETAIL LIQUORS

Peter Rober  
J. P. Byrne

### GENERAL CONTRACTOR & BUILDER

P. N. Gillham

### LUMBER AND BUILDING MATERIAL

J. C. Johnston & Co.  
Porter Lumber Co.

### FLOUR & FEED

F. P. Jones  
J. P. Coffey

### OPERA HOUSE

Mathews & Foight

### AUTOMOBILE SUPPLIES

Luverne Automobile Co.  
Hansen & Hulett  
Home Auto Co.

### AUTOMOBILE M'FG.

Luverne Automobile Co.

### AUTO LIVERY

Hansen & Hulett  
Home Auto Co.

### JOB PRINTING

The Rock County Herald

### NEWSPAPER

The Rock County Herald

### WALL PAPER

J. M. Rustad  
John Connell  
J. A. Harroun  
Nelson Bros.

### GARAGE & MACHINE WKS.

Luverne Automobile Co.  
Hansen & Hulett  
Home Auto Co.

### FARM IMPLEMENTS

Kartrude Brothers

### ICE

Sam Foight

### ELEVATORS

Farmers Co-Operative Co.  
Sam Foight  
E. A. Brown

### WHOLESALE FLOUR

John P. Coffey  
E. A. Brown

### COAL

E. A. Brown  
J. C. Johnston & Co.  
Farmers' Co-Operative Co.  
J. P. Coffey  
Sam Foight  
Porter Lumber Co

J. M. UNDERWOOD, President  
JOHN NORDINE, Supt. Propagation  
A. H. WAGNER, Sales Auditor

E. A. SMITH, Vice President  
H. U. BEEBE, Employing Superintendent  
E. G. FLADWED, Accountant

A. B. UNDERWOOD, Treasurer  
F. A. HAGEN, Wholesale

R. D. UNDERWOOD, Secretary  
C. G. NORDINE, Manager Greenhouses  
ALBERT ROBERSON, Printer

ESTABLISHED 1868  
BY DR. P. A. JEWELL  
AND J. M. UNDERWOOD

# The Jewell Nursery Co.

## Minnesota Grown Nursery Stock

INCORPORATED 1884  
FIFTEEN HUNDRED  
ACRES

MG

Lake City, Minnesota

Nov. 2nd, 1912.

A. W. Latham, Esq.,  
207 Kasota Building,  
Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Sir:-

Yours of recent date received, and after carefully considering the matter I have decided to respond to the toast of "Why everlasting hurry - isn't there an easier way?" at the banquet to be held in connection with our Horticultural meeting. You will notice a slight change in the topic. I have made this because I am not very well acquainted with the quarrelling ways, in fact was never very much of a hand in dealing with that subject. I never had any time as I have always been in a hurry all my life, and it is part of my nature. Trust this will be satisfactory. If not, kindly let me know.

Yours very truly,

John Nordine.



# Northern Pacific Railway Company.

General Passenger Department.

A. M. CLELAND,  
GENERAL PASSENGER AGENT.  
JOHN C. POORE,  
ASST. GEN. PASSENGER AGENT.  
C. A. MATTHEWS,  
ASST. GEN. PASSENGER AGENT.  
E. E. NELSON,  
ASST. GEN. PASSENGER AGENT.

St. Paul, Minn. Oct. 29, 1912  
WGC-D R 1948  
IN YOUR REPLY PLEASE REFER TO

SUBJECT:

Mr. A. W. Latham, Sec'y.,  
Minn. State Horticultural Society,  
207 Kasota Building,  
Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Sir:

Referring again to yours of October 22d.

We shall be very glad to make a rate of two cents per mile in each direction on the certificate plan to St. Paul and Minneapolis on account of the Minnesota State Horticultural Society meeting at Minneapolis, December 3d to 6th, 1912. We will make our special fares subject to the same conditions as named by Western Passenger Association.

We shall, of course, expect you to see that delegates are properly instructed as to the method of procedure in order to secure the reduced rate returning.

Yours truly,

G. P. A.

THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS ONLY



A. W. LATHAM,

*Sec'y Minn. State Hort. Soc'y,*

*207 Kasota Block,*

*Minneapolis, Minn.*

Excelsior, Minn. Oct. 25, 1912.

Dear Mr. Latham; -

Yes, I will plan to be there so that in case Mr. Harrison is not there I can assist you.

Yours cordially,

Walter E. Christman



# Northern Pacific Railway Company.

General Passenger Department.

A. M. CLELAND,  
GENERAL PASSENGER AGENT.  
JOHN C. POORE,  
ASST. GEN. PASSENGER AGENT.  
C. A. MATTHEWS,  
ASST. GEN. PASSENGER AGENT.  
E. E. NELSON,  
ASST. GEN. PASSENGER AGENT.

St. Paul, Minn. October 24, 1912

WGCD

IN YOUR REPLY PLEASE REFER TO

SUBJECT:

Mr. A. W. Latham, Sec'y.,  
207 Kasota Building,  
Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Sir:

This will acknowledge receipt of yours of Oct.

22d.

I will be very glad to advise you a little later  
as to whether or not the N.P. Ry. will make any special rates for  
your meeting.

Yours truly,

G. P. A.

Excelsior, Minn. Oct. 14, 1912.

Dear Mr. Latham; -

Pardon the paper but I see I am out of my usual paper. Your letter came asking about the birds and most assuredly I shall be glad to do what I can to help along. Dont want to bore anyone, but if my talks are of any service to the friends of the Society, they are most welcome .

The subject you suggest is a good one. "Our Birds the Natural Friends of the Horticulturist." I should prefer to illustrate it with slides, if agreeable to you, since I feel with my experience in the lecture field, I reach people much more effectively in that way. You can put me in any place and for any time - from fifteen to forty minutes or any period between

Yes, I plan to attend every session every day. Do not feel that I can afford to miss it.

Yours most cordially,

*Pett E. Christen*

Dassel Mass. Oct 28, 1911

Mr A. W. Latham,

Dear Bro

Your letter enclosing P. rec'd recently and in reply I hardly know how to reply - The subject you want to consider viz "Cultivation of the Orchard" is an important one and often pursued in one locality to insure success might be wrong elsewhere. My limited experience leads to believe Cultivation which is ~~intentional~~ quite expenssive and further often helping to induce blight as seems evident to me, for I have had but very little blight - save where the trees were next to a cultivated field, and I have almost concluded that the cause of blight were mainly a surplus of moisture often increased by cultivation - It is true Cultivated orchards often bear large apples and may be more of them, but, good sized apples an abundance by mulching can be produced. I would prefer not to tackle the subject but if you insist I will write something if not able to better will send it in before the meeting. Happily

Yours  
A. W. Latham

ESTABLISHED 1842

## ORANGE JUDD COMPANY

315-321 FOURTH AVENUE, NEW YORK

PUBLISHERS AND IMPORTERS

AGRICULTURAL BOOKS FOR FARMERS, STOCK RAISERS, GARDENERS, FRUIT GROWERS, FLORISTS, HOUSEKEEPERS, ARCHITECTS, ARTISANS AND SPORTSMEN

EDUCATIONAL BOOKS, PERTAINING TO AGRICULTURE, ART, REAL MANUAL TRAINING, AND NATURE STUDY

SCHOOL AGRICULTURE, DOMESTIC SCIENCE AND MANUAL TRAINING TWICE A MONTH DURING THE SCHOOL YEAR

CABLE ADDRESS: ORANJUDD

## WEEKLY PERIODICALS

FOR FARM AND GARDEN, STOCKYARD AND MARKET, AND FOR THE HOME CIRCLE

AMERICAN AGRICULTURIST

315 FOURTH AVENUE, NEW YORK. ESTABLISHED 1842

ORANGE JUDD FARMER

PEOPLES GAS BUILDING, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS. ESTABLISHED 1880

NEW ENGLAND HOMESTEAD

SPRINGFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS. ESTABLISHED 1867

NORTHWEST FARMSTEAD

MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA

COMBINED CIRCULATION 425,000 COPIES WEEKLY

NEW YORK, N. Y. September 27, 1912

Mr. A. W. Latham,  
Minn. State Horticultural Society,  
Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Sir:

We are in receipt of your favor of the 25th inst., requesting us to forward a copy of Waugh's LANDSCAPE GARDENING.

In response we beg to say this book is out of print, and the new, revised edition which is in preparation, will not be ready for at least three or four weeks. We have placed your order for a copy of this on file, and will forward a copy of the book just as soon as it comes from the press, unless we hear from you to the contrary.

Thanking you for past favors, we beg to remain,

Yours very truly,

ORANGE JUDD COMPANY.

Book Dept.

GEE/EG

C. C. OEHRING

J. R. BAYLESS

OEHRING & BAYLESS

SUCCESSORS TO

BAYLESS & OEHRING

DRUGS, BOOKS, STATIONERY, PERIODICALS,  
WALL PAPER, PAINTS, OILS, ETC.  
GROCERY DEPARTMENT

ELKADER, IOWA.

*50*  
*Order*  
*Labels \$2.50*

*9/3/12*

*Mrs. Sathem Day  
Minneapolis Minn*

*Dear Sir;* I'm enclosing you here with  
dfr for \$1.00 as Membership dues to  
Minn. State Hort. Socy also \$1.50 for  
Plant Breeding by Bailey and as  
I'm new member & I am entitled to  
it send me Amateur Fruit Growing paper  
I'm also sending you under another  
cover 2 bugs. (alike) when young  
are grey & soft. when old like these  
are more dark color. *These are sucking  
& eventually the large veins die,*  
the life out of all Myrsine vines  
I'd like to know what they are & how to  
get rid of them. I've tried fast green  
Kerosene Oil, Turpentine, Wesson Oil &  
but they seem to live through them  
all

# Variety Fruit Farm

Michael Oleson, Prop.

Montevideo, Minn.

May 13<sup>th</sup> 1912.

Mr. A. W. Latham Secy.

207 Kasota Block, Mpls. Minn.

Dear Friend:-

Enclosed here with please find my check for One Dollar to pay membership fees as per enclosed blank filled out with instructions. I hope you will excuse me sending my check this time, and hope you will not have any trouble getting some cashed as I the cashier at the Bank told me I could do this just as well as to obtain a draft to send off.

I told Mr. Wood that he would not get any plant premiums now, but he would get the Magazine and the premium book named on slip enclosed.

I must tell you that I was called by telephone over to School Dist. No 27 in our country a few days ago to give a talk and demonstration on grafting. It was quite a little distance away but I went over and had a pleasant time of it, got the students interested, had them to make several grafts as I had the wood, wax, cord, knife and Pruning shears with me to make easier for me to explain matters to them. You are at liberty to mention this in the Magazine if you wish. Plums, Cherries, Apples in bloom fine, but this is a critical time, hope we will escape a frost at this time. Yours faithfully,  
M. Oleson.

# Hankinson Nursery Company

Growers and Dealers in a General Line of Nursery Stock  
Largest Growers of Nursery Stock in North Dakota

. . . . Iron Clad Varieties for the North Our Specialty . . . .

*Hankinson, North Dakota,*

March 21, 1912.

725

Mr. A. W. Latham,  
Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Sir,

Enclosed please find check for - 7.25  
payment for North Dakota members of the Horticulturist. Please send  
in receipt by return of mail.

*List of Members  
enclosed*

Yours truly,

C. A. Chinberg - Secy - Treas.  
N. D. H. S.

# Hankinson Nursery Company

Growers and Dealers in a General Line of Nursery Stock  
LARGEST GROWERS OF NURSERY STOCK IN NORTH DAKOTA

. . . . . Iron Clad Varieties for the North Our Specialty . . . . .

Hankinson, North Dakota,

- ✓ A H Andrews Malhalla N.D.
- ✓ Phillip Bohusack Grandin "
- ✓ Anton Christ Leal "
- ✓ John Dypres Gardner "
- ✓ Fred Faust Valley City "
- ✓ Theo Faust " " "
- ✓ Jas Griene Buffalo "
- ✓ Levi Etzell Rogers "
- ✓ J L Hoover Kensal "
- ✓ Joel Johnson Caledonia "
- ✓ H. W. Kill Englevale "
- ✓ Alex Morrison Bathgate "
- ✓ Ingebright Moun Buffalo "
- ✓ R A Ogaard Kensal "
- ✓ Swan Overlee 902-2nd St N Fargo N.D.
- ✓ Hugh Peoples New Rockford N.D.
- ✓ R O Pederson Minot N.D.
- ✓ O H Rosengquist Oaks " "
- ✓ E C Schroeder Moorhead Minn
- ✓ E M Soliah Hutton N Dak
- ✓ A E Steele Judd " "
- ✓ H L Stafford 246-6th Ave N Fargo N.D.

32

# Hankinson Nursery Company

Growers and Dealers in a General Line of Nursery Stock  
LARGEST GROWERS OF NURSERY STOCK IN NORTH DAKOTA

. . . . . Iron Clad Varieties for the North Our Specialty . . . . .

Hankinson, North Dakota,

|                     |                 |
|---------------------|-----------------|
| ✓ Geo Stearns       | Rogers N.D.     |
| ✓ Louis Schroeder   | Die N.D.        |
| ✓ Ed Stewart        | Langdon " "     |
| ✓ Howard Thompson   | Barney " "      |
| ✓ Louis Westergaard | Buffalo " "     |
| ✓ Clark W Kelley    | Devils Lake " " |
| ✓ J. E. Eastgate    | Lanimore " "    |
| ✓ E. W. Evington    | Kindred " "     |
| ✓ C. A. Chinberg    | Hankinson " "   |

31

# The Luverne Nursery

C. E. Older, Proprietor.

LUVERNE, MINN., March 25 1912

Mr A. W. Latham Sir

Friend Latham,

Please find one more name for membership W. S. Whitecomb 466 Dayton ave. St Paul Minn. Premium Fruit Grower, kindly let me know how many names I have sent in not paid for and I will now remit - Is it 12. There is no rate off on this is there.

I guess I am through with the Farmers Institute business as it seems that at headquarters they have not "taken to me" although Schilling's claims he has made good reports of me - He seemed friendly enough after getting acquainted but Wilson has never acted as though he wanted me and now they are monkeying about paying up, I have a thousand miles yet of mileage that I had to buy which they promised to ~~deduct~~ me was at least \$500 more of it. a good deal of "monkeywork" in that timber  
yours truly C. E. Older

# Variety Fruit Farm

Michael Oleson, Prop.

A grafting lesson.

Montevideo, Minn.,

191

Mr. A. W. Latham Secy,  
207. Kasota Block, Mpls. Minn.

Dear Friend:-

Here is an experim. of our  
found Mr Michael Oleson, of  
Montevideo, that should be a  
pattern for many others of our members  
who are looking for opportunity to serve.

The grafting knife just received. Its fine. Thank you.

"The grafting demonstration in our school house which I wrote you a-  
bout, came off yesterday. The director of the school and myself went over  
together to the schoolhouse, which is a two room school, and have what is some-  
times called a "Semi-Highschool", and as soon as we got into the high-  
school room, the teacher ordered "Clear the desks", and very cordially in-  
vited me to take charge of the school. — Just for a moment — imagine for  
yourself <sup>my position</sup> — a man emigrating to this country 44 years ago, and had not been  
to school as much as one day, taking charge of the high school department —  
~~my position~~ — it went fine, the scholars got quite interested, and some of  
them went to work and made some grafts, boys and girls both took part,  
some of them made fairly good grafts too.

"I had taken with me, the wood, waxed cord, knife, pruning shears, and  
also the "Circular on grafting", "folders" and also "Green's Amateur Fruit grower"  
and was, as you see, well equipped, and it went fine, if I am to be the judge, and  
I am glad of it."

There never one, when I by leave to remain

Your sincere friend

Oleson.

# Variety Fruit Farm

Michael Oleson, Prop.

Montevideo, Minn.,

March 6 -

1912.

A. W. Latham Sec'y.

207. Kasota Block, Mpls. Minn.

My Dear Friend:-

Your esteemed favor of the 4<sup>th</sup> inst. at hand and contents fully noted. In answer will say: You are at liberty to use any part of my letter, in the Magazine, but you will have to fix it up some for the publication of it - I think you understand what I mean -

I assure you it will be a pleasure to me if something good might come out of this and it will be gratifying to our school director Mr. Pederson to hear of this, as I will be sure to give to him the news when I get the paper -

It's going kind of slow in getting new members at the present time but I am going to make an effort the 15<sup>th</sup> of this month as the farmers there are going to have a kind of mass meeting at Montevideo. We have organized several of the so called "American Society of Equity's" in our county and our society has elected three delegates who goes to St. Paul to day to that State organization's meeting, and we are expecting some good to come out of that too. Aren't we progressing?

I remain fraternally yours

M. Oleson.

P.S. Excuse me I did not like to write about this on the card, I will reserve it for the future.

O.

\$500

Harmony, Minn.

1 - 27 - 1912

A H Latham

St Paul Minn

Dear Sir:

You will think I am somewhat slow in making payment of last installment for the Minn. Horticulturist I could have remit long before this but kept putting it off I generally visit the state fair every two or three year wanted to get up last fall but an account of inclement weather failed

to get away, I<sup>^</sup> felt as though I would like to step into your office and hope to some time if I live. Altho interested in fruit raising The Horticulturist hardly conforms to my wishes by not containing more articles pertaining to Forestry or the planting of forest trees for wind-breaks etc. Of course the subject of Forestry does not necessarily come under that head. Perhaps you can give me a little information. Does the Minn State Forestry Assoc. publish a magazine? and can anyone become a member for a small fee? Though living in a territory interspersed with natural timber there seems to be many farm houses that need artificial groves.

especially where<sup>3</sup> I am situated  
it being very open on the north  
of our buildings. However will drop  
the subject and make out check to  
amt of \$5.00 for life membership  
in your society hoping to be thereby  
benefited and know what is going on  
in the Horticultural interests of  
the state. I have not received the  
Jan 1912 issue nor the Annual  
report and in regard to the file  
of reports for which I am entitled  
as a Life member you may hold  
them for me. I may call at the  
office sometime when I am in  
the twin cities you may send me  
lithograph certificate suitable  
for framing Dont you think I  
am entitled to one of the  
premium books listed in the  
folder I did not receive it when

I became a member I would appreciate it as a great favor if you would mail me a copy of "Forestry of Minnesota" written by Prof Green, <sup>401 Pages</sup> and which is adapted to Northwestern conditions.

Tell Mr Latham you will think this is rather lengthy and hoping you will excuse me for the delay.

Thanking you for past favors and a continued success for the Society

I remain  
yours Very Truly

F. A. Orstine

Harmony,

P. R. No. 1. Minn.

OVER

Again about the premium  
I wish to state that by  
referring to the pink  
folder top the page  
it says "List of Premium  
Books" Given to new  
Members or to members  
for securing new members<sup>)))</sup>  
And as I have deposited  
\$1,000 <sup>into the society,</sup> I think I am  
entitled to the book  
wishing you will  
F a o

# The Luverne Nursery

C. E. OLDER, Proprietor

Luverne, Minnesota, Feb 22 1912

Mr A W Latham  
Minneapolis Minn

Friend Latham

Yours of 14<sup>th</sup> the just-recd and  
the names checked off you ask here I  
managed to get them, & I just took them  
will send you the cash as soon as I get return  
from my Express bill.

I am considerable disapointed that I  
have not had steady work as I needed  
to earn something this winter but I have  
only had three weeks out of three months  
and I understand they have turned down  
quite a number of towns that asked for  
an Institute in other part of the state  
I presume it is all right but why they keep things  
so in the dark I dont know

Yours truly C. E. Older

# THE CITY OF LUVERNE, MINNESOTA

is the county seat of Rock county, one of the smallest, and acknowledged richest, counties in the state. Luverne is located in the center of the county and is 211 miles southwest of St. Paul, on the C. St. P. M. and O. and C. R. I. and P. railroads. The city is in keeping with its county, being one of the prettiest, cleanest and wealthiest cities of its size in the northwest. Luverne is particularly noted for its beautiful homes, and has the reputation of having more large and imposing residences than the majority of the cities of twice its size. Moreover, all of its homes are good and substantial, there not being a "shack" in the city. Luverne is also noted for its fine shade trees, which line every street and are so large and numerous that from the hills around the city it looks like an immense grove, for only the tops of the largest buildings can be seen. The streets are thoroughly gravelled and are lined with fine cement walks, there being not a foot of board walk in the city. A fine natural park is another of Luverne's advantages.

Luverne was founded in 1870, incorporated as a village in 1878, and as a city in 1902, and is governed by a mayor and common council. Its population in 1900 was 2,223, and it is understood that the 1910 census will show a population of approximately 3,000. Luverne has never had a "boom" and its growth, therefore, has been most healthful. During the past year over forty fine new residences have been built and many more will be built before the close of 1910. A number of new business blocks have also been built the past year, and plans for others are now being completed.

As a business center Luverne is fast forging to the front. In round numbers it has one hundred business houses, including four large and prosperous banks. It also has many manufacturing industries, including a big and steadily growing automobile factory, which turns out an exceptionally fine line of 30 and 40 H. P. touring cars; a large sand-lime pressed brick factory, a clay brick and tile factory, a cement block factory, large bottling works, a marble working plant and many other smaller industries. Three miles north of the city are two stone quarries, from which are taken exceptionally fine building stone of dark red color. Samples of this stone have been awarded high prizes at the world's fairs. There are many business and public buildings in the city built of this stone, including Rock county's handsome court house, and Luverne's fine high school building. A number of fine residences are also built of this stone.

The city owns and operates its electric light and waterworks plant and has a very complete system; also first-class volunteer fire department.

Luverne has two large public school buildings. Seven hundred pupils are enrolled in the schools and twenty teachers are employed. There are nine churches in the city, nearly all of which are substantial structures.

Rock county is primarily an agricultural county, but the farmers give much attention to stock raising, and there are many fine herds of blooded horses, cattle, sheep and hogs. Being situated in the center of the county Luverne is a big shipping point. This is well indicated by the fact that it has seven elevators and a flouring mill.

Space will not permit further enumeration, but enough has been said to show that Luverne is justly entitled to its reputation of being "one of the best and most beautiful little cities in the Northwest."

## BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL DIRECTORY

### BANKS

Rock County Bank  
The Farmers' National  
National Bank of Luverne  
First National Bank

### GENERAL STORES

Nelson Brothers  
Hawes & Son

### DRY GOODS

Nelson Brothers  
Hawes & Son

### GROCERS

Nelson Brothers  
Hawes & Son  
John Cameron

### SHOES

Nelson Brothers  
Hawes & Son

### CLOTHING

Nelson Brothers

### MILLINERY

Mrs. E. F. Collins

### HARDWARE

J. W. Gerber  
E. M. Backer

### FURNITURE

J. M. Rustad  
I. I. Smith

### PAINTS & OILS

E. M. Backer  
J. W. Gerber  
Mead & Treat

### SPORTING GOODS

J. W. Gerber  
E. M. Backer

### UNDERTAKERS

J. M. Rustad  
I. I. Smith

### DRUGS

John Connell  
Mead & Treat

### STATIONERY & NEWS

John Connell  
J. A. Harroun

### SODA FOUNTAIN

John Connell

### CONCRETE BUILDING MATERIAL

Luverne Concrete Co.

### PLUMBING, ELECTRIC AND STEAM FITTING

W. A. Jones

### PRESSED BRICK

Luverne Pressed Brick Co

### BRICK & TILE FACTORY

Luverne Brick & Tile Co.

### FLOUR MILL

John P. Coffey

### PHOTOGRAPHER

O. S. Myhre

### PIANOS & MUSICAL GOODS

J. A. Harroun  
O. S. Myhre

### NURSERY

Luverne Nursery Co.

### MARBLE & GRANITE WKS.

James Horne

### CREAMERY

F. P. Jones

### ICE CREAM MF'G

F. P. Jones

### LAUNDRY

H. C. Tibbetts

### REAL ESTATE

Ferguson Bros. & Vincent  
H. Fitzer

### LOANS & INSURANCE

Ferguson Bros. & Vincent  
R. B. Hinkly  
Jay A. Kennicott

### LAWYERS

Jay A. Kennicott  
C. H. Christopherson

### GEN'L BLACKSMITHING

A. Stienfeldt  
G. W. Cottrell

### EXPERT HORSE SHOEING

A. Stienfeldt  
G. W. Cottrell

### WHOLESALE & RETAIL LIQUORS

Peter Rober  
J. P. Byrne

### GENERAL CONTRACTOR & BUILDER

P. N. Gillham

### LUMBER AND BUILDING MATERIAL

J. C. Johnston & Co.  
Porter Lumber Co.

### FLOUR & FEED

F. P. Jones  
J. P. Coffey

### OPERA HOUSE

Mathews & Foight

### AUTOMOBILE SUPPLIES

Luverne Automobile Co.  
Hansen & Hulett  
Home Auto Co.

### AUTOMOBILE M'FG.

Luverne Automobile Co.

### AUTO LIVERY

Hansen & Hulett  
Home Auto Co.

### JOB PRINTING

The Rock County Herald

### NEWSPAPER

The Rock County Herald

### WALL PAPER

J. M. Rustad  
John Connell  
J. A. Harroun  
Nelson Bros.

### GARAGE & MACHINE WKS.

Luverne Automobile Co.  
Hansen & Hulett  
Home Auto Co.

### FARM IMPLEMENTS

Kartrude Brothers

### ICE

Sam Foight

### ELEVATORS

Farmers Co-Operative Co.  
Sam Foight  
E. A. Brown

### WHOLESALE FLOUR

John P. Coffey  
E. A. Brown

### COAL

E. A. Brown  
J. C. Johnston & Co.  
Farmers' Co-Operative Co.  
J. P. Coffey  
Sam Foight  
Porter Lumber Co

THE NORTHWESTERN HOTEL

W. W. PARISH

ESPECIALLY FOR TRAVELERS

Hot Water Heat

Electric Lights

THE POPULAR HOUSE

Rushford, Minn., Feb 13 - 1912

Mr A W Sattum

Minneapolis

Friend Sattum

Your pkg. Recd all O.K.  
and as I have not heard from Wilson  
since I came to the Corps I expect  
to return home the last of the week  
I will however stop over Sunday  
with the wedge at Albert Lea,

please accept the following names  
for membership with Fruit Growers Union

4 { Ole Vikse Ostrander Minn  
K O Olson Harmony Minn  
Chas E Durrin Harmony Road 1 Minn  
Joseph Achatz Harmony Road 2 Minn

did I send you the name of  
W. B. Thoma Racine, I did not  
mark it and am not certain

will write you from Lawrence  
This Schilling corps goes to Groesville from here  
E E Alder

SIXTY-SECOND CONGRESS.

HENRY D. CLAYTON, ALA., CHAIRMAN.  
ROBERT L. HENRY, TEX.      WALTER I. MCCOY, N.J.  
EDWIN Y. WEBB, N.C.      JOHN W. DAVIS, W. VA.  
CHARLES C. CARLIN, VA.      DANIEL J. McSILICUDDY, ME.  
WILLIAM W. RUCKER, MO.      JOHN A. STERLING, ILL.  
WILLIAM C. HOUSTON, TENN.      REUBEN O. MOON, PA.  
JOHN C. FLOYD, ARK.      EDWIN W. HIGGINS, CONN.  
R. Y. THOMAS, JR., KY.      PAUL HOWLAND, OHIO.  
JAMES M. GRAHAM, ILL.      FRANK M. NYE, MINN.  
H. GARLAND DUPRE, LA.      GEORGE W. NORRIS, NEBR.  
MARTIN W. LITTLETON, N.Y.      FRANCIS H. DODDS, MICH.  
J. J. SPEIGHT, CLERK.

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY,

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES U.S.

WASHINGTON, D. C.

Feb. 10th, 1912.

Mr. A. W. Latham,  
207 Kasota Bldg.,  
Minneapolis, Minn.

My dear Sir:

I am in receipt of your favor of February 8th favoring enactment of Parcels Post legislation. In reply will say that I do not know what the Democratic House will do in this matter, but it is generally thought that an effort will be made to pass a resolution, authorizing a commission to investigate the subject fully.

Very truly yours,

*Francis M. Jones*

# Hotel Fox

CHAS. FOX, PROP.

Austin, Minn., Feb 9 1912

Mr A. W. Latham Minneapolis  
Friend Latham,

Please look another name  
as member - W. B. Thoma

Fruit-Grower premium Racine Minn

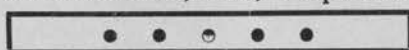
I turned over the canvassing at  
this place to the Tuttle nursery man  
as he had his nursery name on the leaflets.  
Had the best meeting at Racine I ever  
attended and it is good here. Am getting  
<sup>on</sup> nicely with Mr S. and I think will think a  
good deal of him. You know he has come  
out as a Candidate for Rep nomination for Gov.

I like this work first rate and Schilling  
told me tonight - he had written Wilson that  
I was far ahead of Schutt as he told funny stories  
and I gave the people what they wanted, Information  
Yours truly  
C. E. Olden

It is getting easier to speak than it was.

# THE COMMERCIAL HOTEL,

F. MILAND, SR., Proprietor.



RACINE, MINN., Feb 8 1912

Mr C. W. Latham

Minneapolis

Friend Latham -

Please find the following  
names for Horticultural  
Society membership Greens  
amateur Fruit Grower as  
premier

(4) J. W. Zimmerman

Racine Minn -

(5) V. M. Chamberlain Racine Minn

(6) Geo. E. Leonard Racine Minn

had a splendid good meeting  
here of one day - a two day  
meeting would be better

Yours truly B. E. Older



Publishes a Monthly Magazine entitled "The Minnesota Horticulturist". Sent free to all members of the society. Send for copy of the Magazine and Folder containing the "Fruit List" for Minnesota and describing the work of the Society, in publications, methods, etc. Membership fee \$1.00 per annum.

## Minnesota State Horticultural Society

President, THOS. E. CASHMAN, Owatonna, Minn.

\* \* \*

Office (and Library) of

A. W. LATHAM, Secretary,

207 KASOTA BLDG.

Minneapolis, Minn., 2/6/12

C. E. Older,  
Racine, Minn.  
Friend Older.-

I have your card from Luverne in the matter of "fruit lists" with your nursery name printed on. I judge it is your purpose to distribute these at the farmers institutes, but I believe from the experience of other nurserymen who have been with the institutes that it will be better for you in the end not to try to advertise your nursery at the institute. It may get you into trouble after awhile, and it certainly would be spoken of and might be unpleasant for you. I presume you had not thought of this phase of it. I hope you will fit into this institute work so nicely that it will become a permanent place for you. You will sometime be in a position where you can do very much for the Horticultural Society though the opportunities with Mr. Schilling's corps at present seem very limited.

Shall I send you another lot of the "fruit lists" to Austin. Did you receive those sent to West Concord?

Cordially,

 Sec'y.

*Sister OK?*

Racine Min Feb 8 1912

Mr W. F. Kuhn Sec. Municipal

Yours just rec'd and I guess you are right. I used a few that I had with me money on at west Concord because Charles had none. but would have used his if he had any. Best yours at west Concord also prof which I will see here. Kindly show to Austin. I believe it would be good to send one a few at each place as I come to them as I will notify you as soon as I know.

please book the following members and send "Amateur Fruit grower" as premium.

① E. M. Phillips  
1946 Laurel Ave.  
St Paul Minn

② 380 7 Howard  
1281 Raymond Ave  
St Paul Minn

③ Leroy Uptagraff  
west Concord Minn

will send in pay for them with others.

Yours truly C. E. Olden

My son Frank has a good thing open in his name he sold \$200, in month looks good to me.  
Selling has gotten in the race for Governor and he seems pretty sure with these things of your efforts see all the fellows who follow the Corp's paper would be surprised at it.

EVERGREENS THAT LIVE

# WEDGE NURSERY

FRUIT TREES THAT BEAR

ALBERT LEA, MINNESOTA 1-9-1912.

Mr. A. W. Lathan,  
207 Kasota Block,  
Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Mr. Lathan,

Responding to yours of the 6th would say that we can furnish the following of the list for which you inquire:

200 Virginia                    3-4 ft. @ 3¢ ea.  
200 Lowland Raspberry " " @ 5¢ "

We do not grow the Delicious or King David.

By the way, I hate to give up our name Lowland raspberry which has been in use in all the northern nurseries since the variety was imported. I have written to Stark Prothers in regard to the name but they quote some ancient authority in the East and are, of course, inclined to stick to the <sup>ir</sup> name. They also say that the name refers to the province where the apple was grown but neither your spelling of the name nor <sup>their</sup> ~~ours~~ fully carry out this idea. The La Crosse, <sup>Common</sup> which sat on the Russians some years ago, also confirmed the name as we have been in the habit of using it and you will also find it so on the recommended list of the society.

Very truly yours,  
WEDGE NURSERY

*C. W.*

*Lowland Rasp.*

REPLY POSTAL CARD

United States of America

THIS SIDE IS FOR ADDRESS ONLY



*A. W. LATHAM,*

*Sec'y Minn. State Hort. Soc'y,*

*207 Kasota Block,*

*Minneapolis, Minn.*

Linnæus Mine Feb 4 1912

Friend Latham - I expected to start  
tonight - for west Concord mine for the  
Institute work again - west Concord  
Feb 6-7 - Racine 8<sup>th</sup> - Austin 9 & 10  
Osterander 12<sup>th</sup> Harmony 13 & 14<sup>th</sup>

If you can print on the freight lists in  
time. I would like 1000 printed as follows

Presented by C. E. Alder of the  
Linnæus mine - write me at  
any of those places James L. E. Alder  
The picture of house in N.W.A. is fine

GROWER OF  
SMALL FRUITS AND PLANTS

DEALER IN  
HARDY NURSERY STOCK

The Orton Park Fruit Farm,  
C. I. Orton, Proprietor.

5.00

MARIETTA, MINNESOTA,

1-21-

1912

A. W. Latham

Dear Sir

Enclosed find  
order for 5\$ bal of Life Membership fee

Yours Truly

H. J. Orton

WE  
GROW  
OUR  
STOCK

# OSLUND'S NURSERY

N. N. Oslund, Prop.

: : Everything in the Nursery Line : :

HARDY  
TREES  
SHRUBS  
PLANTS

CAMBRIDGE, MINN.,

January 20, 1912.

Mr. A. W. Latham, Secy.,  
Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Sir--

Yours at hand with thanks, and noted what you say in regards the settlement of new members I am sending you.

Yes it was misunderstood by me. I will make settlement at the close of spring business. Here is a new name again which I forgot the last week. Oscar Gerdeen, Wyoming, R. 2, Minn.

Yours very truly,



# The Luverne Nursery

C. E. Older, Proprietor.

LUVERNE, MINN.

June 11

1912

Mr A. W. Latham

Minneapolis

Friend Latham,

Yours with offer to print an  
Society folders "Presented by - etc" Reed  
I can use 500 of them and I offer  
a membership as premium with a  
\$20 ~~or~~ order.

It does not look now as if I would  
get much work with the Farmers  
Institute. I am very much  
disappointed in it because I liked  
the work and needed the money.

Mr Wilson does not seem <sup>to think</sup> that  
the Horticultural part amounts to  
much or that I didn't "make good"  
but Schelling said I did, so it don't  
matter, will do the best I can any how,  
20 to 25 below today -

As ever yours C. E. Older