method of treatment and many now treat all seed grains. Any member may secure a bulletin on seed grain treatment upon application to the secretary.

Smut Machine. Members Are Requested to Treat All Seed Grains.

Value of Pure Bred Grains Recognized

The value of Wisconsin pure bred seeds is recognized everywhere in the state. Farmers who need a supply of seed demand the pure bred varieties. A large number of farmers in the state exchange wheat and rye for flour at their local mill. Many millers offer several pounds of flour more per hundred pounds of pedigree rye or wheat than for other varieties. A number of millers offer a special premium of five dollars to any person living in his county who wins first place on a sample of grain exhibited at the state grain show.

Every year thousands of bushels of seed grains and corn are shipped out of the state. Inquiries come to the office of the Experiment Association from nearly every state in the Union asking about some kind of Wisconsin grown seed. Wisconsin Golden Glow corn is in great demand in all of the northern states and Canada.

The County Orders

The demand for pure bred seeds increased very rapidly. Seedsmen and others began to call for pedigreed seed grains in large quantities. In order that seeds in carload lots might be secured more easily, it was deemed advisable to organize
county units to cooperate with the State Association. As a result, Fond du Lac County was the first to organize, March 28, 1908, under the name of the Fond du Lac County Order of the Experiment Association. Since that time, nearly every county in the state has been organized. Any person directly or indirectly interested in growing pedigreed seeds is eligible to membership. The County Orders usually hold their annual meetings and grain and corn shows about two or three weeks before the annual meeting of the State Experiment Association. The exhibits winning first place are placed in competition with other exhibits at the annual state show. Many county orders print their own circulars containing the names of the members and the varieties they grow and the quantities they offer for sale. Money for cash premiums at the county exhibits is usually donated by local merchants or banks.

The Alfalfa Order

The Alfalfa Order of the Experiment Association is an organization of farmers interested in alfalfa growing and has for its purpose the encouragement of more alfalfa growing in Wisconsin. As one of the means to help the promotion of a strong alfalfa industry in Wisconsin, the Alfalfa Order has arranged for the cooperation of the members in carrying on numerous field experiments throughout the state. The association was organized in 1911 with only 21 charter members. It has increased in size from year to year so that in 1918 its membership was over 800. The members have carried on large state-wide tests to determine the relative value of different kinds of seed and have made every effort to solve winter killing problems. As a result of numerous experiments, the members are now able to determine the relative merits of the different kinds of seed so that the problem of winter killing will soon be largely eliminated. Literature on how to grow this crop may be secured free of charge by writing to the Secretary of the Alfalfa Order, Agronomy Bldg., Madison, Wis.

The Wisconsin Hemp Order

In 1918 Wisconsin became the leading hemp growing state in the Union. The stable growth which the hemp industry has made in this state is due considerably to organized effort.