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PATRIOTIC CONTRIBUTIONS

The Saskatchewan page of this week's issue of The Guide is being devoted especially to reports and correspondence connected with the patriotic contributions of the association. A list was published some time ago. That appearing in this issue is a list of contributions received since the last list was published.

Many thousands of copies of forms for contributors to the Patriotic Acre fund to sign have been sent out to locals and to others requesting the same. We are pleased to state that a very large number of locals have taken up this matter in earnest, but there are still a number who have not asked the head office for forms. Such locals should secure these forms at once and arrange for a canvass of their respective districts appealing to all farmers, whether members of the association or not.

The leading papers all over Canada have given space to this patriotic move on the part of the farmers of Saskatchewan. Great publicity is being given this whole matter, and no local should fail to find its place in the undertaking.

Equitable Contributions

A number of letters have come to the head office suggesting that it is not fair to expect the farmer with a small acreage to make the same contribution as made by the farmer with the larger acreage. The number of acres to be subscribed by each farmer is left blank in the forms. The contribution is entirely voluntary and may be made for any number of acres, or, if desired, for the proceeds of merely part of an acre. Other correspondents have stated that they prefer that their contributions should go direct to the Belgian Relief fund. The Central secretary is of the opinion that it would be wise for all members to fall in line with the views of the convention at Regina, and make this a contribution to the Imperial government, leaving it to their judgment to apportion the proceeds among those most seriously in need of assistance. The Imperial government knows as we here cannot possibly know, where the greatest need will exist at the time that the flour from this contributed wheat will be available for distribution, which will be early next winter.

It must be borne in mind that funds contributed as these are being contributed, will not be used by the Imperial government in the ordinary undertaking of the government, but will be apportioned amongst those who, in the judgment of the Imperial government, are most seriously in need of such assistance. On the other hand if any members or locals desire that their Patriotic Acre contribution should be remitted direct to the Belgian Relief fund, they may indicate this by striking out the word Patriotic Acre in their contribution form and writing the words "Belgian Relief Fund" above the same. There are also several locals who prefer, instead of subscribing the proceeds of a specified number of acres, to obligate themselves to pay a percentage on the sales of grain which they make, while others have suggested that one cent per bushel on all grain grown should be paid into this fund. The Central has no wish to be arbitrary in the handling of this matter, and monies contributed to this fund will be accepted irrespective of the precise manner in which they have been contributed. It might be well, however, to point out that complications of accounting and records are sure to arise if the general method of contribution to this fund is departed from. If contributions are made on a percentage basis, or one cent per bushel for all grains sold, monies in this connection would be reaching the head office at times spread thruout the greater part of the year. This would

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make it impossible to handle the contribution in the manner contemplated by the convention. It is, therefore, preferable that all farmers—whether members of the association or not—should make their contribution to this fund by declaring their intention to give the proceeds of a stated acreage. But it should be distinctly understood that variations from this form may be made if, in the judgment of the contributor, this is necessary.

J.B.M.

NEW LOCAL'S GIFT

We have only been organized since January 21, yet here we are with \$20.00 for the Patriotic fund, made at a concert on February 26. The friends from Kisbey and Percy came along and helped, for which we were all very thankful.

Our delegates were delighted with the convention at Regina, which makes us wish we had all been there.

Best wishes for the Grain Growers' association.

ROBT. SIM,
Sec., Gap View G.G.A.

WAR RELIEF

A concert and box social was held under the auspices of the Silver Vale Local in the school house at that point, the proceeds to be devoted to the Saskatchewan Grain Growers' association Patriotic Fund. The concert was held on the evening of March 6, and a very pleasant time was spent with songs, recitations, etc. After the concert the boxes were auctioned off and altogether the net proceeds were \$43.30, and I am instructed to ask you to place \$21.65 to the credit of the Belgian Fund and \$21.65 to the fund for the relief of settlers in the dried out districts.

ALFRED LAW,
Sec., Silver Vale G.G.A.

OFF TO THE WAR

At a meeting of the Sinnett Grain Growers' association of Saskatchewan, held at Sinnett, Sask., on March 15, the following resolution was unanimously carried:

Moved by T. J. McGuire, seconded by A. J. McEachern, "That we deeply regret B. V. Clutterbuck decided to sever his connection with us, on account of having to leave to take part in the war, and that we wish to express our appreciation for the able manner in which he fulfilled the office of secretary-treasurer in our association for the past year."

SECRETARY,
Sinnett G.G.A.

DUNDURN FARMERS GIVE \$1,039

The following letter has been received by J. B. Musselman, secretary of the Grain Growers' Association, which shows the spirit of patriotism and philanthropy which animates the farmers in the Dundurn district:

Dear Sir:—Enclosed please find draft for \$1,039.45 payable to your order, which we have requested our Moose Jaw agency to honor without charge. This amount represents voluntary subscriptions from the farmers of Dundurn district, and is to be employed for the relief of the suffering Belgians. A list of the names of the donors will be prepared at a later date and mailed to you for publication in the official organ of the Grain Growers.

Be good enough to see that the money represented by the draft goes forward to the proper authorities, advising Mr. S. M. Olson at Dundurn when this has been done.

E. O. S. STRANGE.

CORRECTION

Note.—Patriotic donation appearing in the previous list to the credit of Eyebrow was received from Ames local.

PATRIOTIC FUND	
Previously acknowledged	\$4,587.12
Great West Local	3.15
Lawson	5.00
Northside	37.00
Sandforddene W.G.A.	20.00
Wessels Local	5.00
Wolverton	25.00
Hearne	5.50
Dafoe	475.40
Rutland	2.00
Asmus S.D. Imperial P.O.	5.00
Sunny South Local	15.00
Sequin	20.00
Oxford Centre	23.00
Edam	1.00
Swarthmore	54.00
Manna	62.45
Armstrong	108.25
Clark Hill	47.10
Antelope Park	12.00
Thornfield	40.50
Cana	18.00
Pearl Lake	25.00
Bothwell	5.20
Tullisville	35.00
Thunder Valley	78.85
Bestville	.50
South Beaver	39.00
Summer Cove	10.75
Douglas	29.50
Acme	62.50
Hearne	5.50
Parkbeg	53.00
Cantuar.	20.20
Dewar Lake	25.55
St. Boswells	50.00
Lintlaw	10.25
North End	150.25
Merrington	52.75
Hart	28.00
River Lake	20.50
Grandora	17.00
Zelma	47.50
Hillsborough	30.00
Yorkton	100.00
Crystal Springs	29.50
Newlands	50.60
Success No. 2	16.35
Flaxhill	19.60
Archive	26.77
Armstrong	13.00
Park	71.80
Keatley	15.00
Vanscoy	56.00
Glenavon	5.75
Wanganui	28.05
Lavert	11.50
Standing Rock	32.25
River Lake	28.75
St. Boswell	50.00
Gapview	20.00
Ingleford Ladies Aid	81.10
Cambria	27.50
Ormiston	60.40
Centre Hill	12.50
Glenedythe	34.40
	\$7,159.09

BELGIAN FUND

Previously acknowledged	\$829.60
Kelso Local	9.75
Rockhaven	100.00
Owensville	25.00
Landis	28.00
Copeland	25.00
Edam	5.00
Swarthmore	60.00
Hutton	105.00
Harpree	33.25
Cataraqui	36.00
Harpree	1.00
Stockholm	43.35
Fartown	70.00
Turvin	16.50
Quimper School District	30.75
Park Local	51.20
North Gully	7.50
Viscount Local	24.00
Glenedythe Literary G.G.A.	61.00
Wiseton	25.00
Valley Centre	21.00
Southminster	40.00
Warren	10.50
Kelvingrove	16.10
Willow Heights	15.00
Mount Hope	37.30
Macrorie	63.60
Silver Vale	21.65
Monarch Local	15.00
Rutland	31.20
Dundurn Farmers	1,039.45

DISTRICT DIRECTORS:	
Dist. No. 1—W. H. Beasley	Balbeek
" 2—M. P. Roddy	Bouleau
" 3—G. E. Noddie	Lampman
" 4—R. M. Johnston	Eastview
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" 6—F. W. Redman	Grenfell
" 7—C. O. A. Travis	Govan
" 8—Thorn M. Eddy	Bethune
" 9—John F. Reid	Orcadia
" 10—J. L. Rook	Togo
" 11—T. Sales	Langham
" 12—Andrew Knox	Prince Albert
" 13—W. H. Lidwall	Wilkie
" 14—T. M. Morgan	Aqueduct
" 15—Frank Burton	Vanguard
" 16—W. T. Hall	Surbiton

Walter Local	8.00
Young Local	18.00
	\$2,923.70

RED CROSS FUND

Previously acknowledged	\$29.50
Swarthmore	91.00
Valjean	35.00
	\$155.50

PRINCE OF WALES FUND

Previously acknowledged	\$416.25
Goodlands	20.00
"	10.00
"	20.00
	\$466.25

A GOOD DEBATE

Under the auspices of the Walpole Grain Growers' association a debate, box social and dance was held in the municipal hall, Walpole, on Friday, Mar. 5. The subject of the debate was "Resolved, That the liquor traffic is a greater menace to the nation than all the monopolies and combines." The affirmative side was ably handled by J. A. McKay and Jas. Drinnan, representatives of the Wawota Grain Growers' association, who, in the course of very able speeches, pointed out the grave dangers to national welfare that were directly traceable to the liquor traffic, both from a moral and material point of view, showing how the use and abuse of liquor lowered the vitality of the individual and was undermining the health and powers of production of the nation.

The negative side of the question was presented by C. J. Bannister and J. McConnell, members of the Walpole association, who showed up the evils of the monopolies and combines and how the people were being robbed right and left by restrictions of trade and by being denied free access to the markets of the world. They produced statistics to prove how the tariff was directly responsible for the creation of combines and trusts and commented strongly on the menace to the nation in the fact that twenty-three men controlled 90 per cent. of the capitalization of the nation, thru a system of interlocking directorates.

The judges, after a careful review of the different arguments, gave a decision in favor of the affirmative by one point. The debate was followed by a box social and dance. The proceeds of the evening, amounting to \$85.00, were given to the Belgian Relief fund.

J. BANNISTER,
President, Walpole G.G.A.

PATRIOTIC CONCERT

I enclose herewith \$15.00 membership fees for 30 members. Our association has during the winter held weekly meetings. Good programs have been rendered and the attendance has been very good. We find that our community has derived much benefit from these meetings.

I also enclose \$32.25 for the Patriotic fund, being the proceeds of a concert and sale given at the Standing Rock school house, on March 17. The concert was a success. John Colter, reeve of rural municipality Pittville 169, who is president of our association, delivered a patriotic address. Several musical selections were given, both vocal and instrumental, as well as some readings, impersonations, dialogues, etc. After the program the ladies served refreshments. We charged 25c admission, the proceeds from this being \$25.75. Some ladies had made a few valuable articles which were auctioned off, netting \$8.50, and one lady gave 50 cents, making the total \$34.75, less \$2.50 expenses, leaving \$32.25.

ALFRED STROM,
Sec., Standing Rock G.G.A.