

If it is necessary for the "Grain Growers," the "Retail Merchants," "Trades Unions," and in fact every organization of men that we know of, to hold conventions, we should not question the wisdom of it nor worry if it causes us to dip our hands a little deeper into our purses.

The "Postal Clerks' Parliament" as a means of legislating has come to stay, and we in Regina are glad that this year the "House of Commons" will be located in the Queen City of the West.

From advance information received, we are safe in prophesying that this convention will be the biggest yet, both as regards the business to be transacted and the attendance of delegates.

Several branches who hitherto have been represented by proxy have this year decided to send a delegate, and this is indeed gratifying.

Once again, before it is too late, this branch issues through the "Postal Journal" the heartiest of invitations to those branches who are wondering whether to send a delegate or not to do so.

#### Vancouver.

We have a veritable chronicle of news to record this issue and the news is both grave and gay.

Two members of the City Sortation, Messrs. George Ellam and A. H. Digby, are mourning the loss of loved ones. Mr. Ellam, who was but recently married, has sustained an irreparable loss through the death of his wife, and Mr. Digby, himself a returned soldier, has received the sad news that his brother had made the supreme sacrifice while fighting for King and Country. To both of our comrades all members extend their deepest sympathy.

"On the 26th inst., to Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Renwick, a son"—so reads the news item, and the genial chief of the G. D. staff is now receiving the congratulations of his fellow workers.

The god hymen is certainly working overtime in the coast city branch. Mr. E. McAlister, now of Station "C" staff, has already joined the benedicts, and ere these notes appear in print three others, Messrs. H. S. Lyon, Tom Anderson and W. Webb will have followed his example. Three marriages in as many days is some record, eh! To all of these gentlemen, we offer our heartiest congratulations and best wishes.

The fine new building at Station "C" is now open for public business, and Mr. J. B. Marshallsay, the clerk in charge, upon his occasional visits to the head office, reports that business is thriving.

The latest stunt is entitled "The Mysterious Motor," and is said to outrival

the far-famed Harry Tate. For full particulars ask 'Nick.'

#### Victoria.

I now wish to register the "grouch" which I mentioned last issue. At our monthly meetings we see the same old faces, same old "faithful few." Where are the others, the members who wouldn't know that we had an association if it were not for the monthly 'sub.' and the Postal Journal! If there's a motion on the board for more pay or less work or a "spread" at the home of one of the "faithful," you all turn out. WHY? Because you're directly affected, there's a chance of your getting something out of it. Let's have your reasons for staying away at other times. You're married! Then, if your wife won't let you off for an hour and a half one night a month, you're very much hen-pecked as well! Your single and attached! If "she" won't allow you out of her sight for one night now, then afterward—what! "She" wants to go to "Pantages"! Two hours on each of six nights a week. Picture show! Change twice a week. You're single an unattached! Then YOU have no excuse at all. Live too far away! No excuse. Our worthy President is a married man and lives at Victoria West,—he gets there. Caiger used to live at Maywood. He got there when night work didn't interfere. WAKE UP! The work that this association has done was not done by members who turned up at meetings only when there was something to be got out of it. Get a dictionary and find out the meaning of "esprit de corps," then show you've grasped it by rolling up to future meetings. 'Nuff sed!

#### Port Arthur.

On a recent afternoon the members of the clerical and carrier staffs met in the Postmaster's office to bid Godspeed and a safe return to Clerks E. . Goodman, Wm. Fulford, Harold Rourke and Carrier F. Cuddington, all members of the 94th Battalion, C.E.F., which will leave shortly for the front. Postmaster W. S. Beaver, in a few well chosen words, expressed the regards and good wishes of himself and staff for those who had answered the call of duty and had offered their services to the Empire, and on behalf of their fellow employees, as a token of esteem, he presented each with a cigarette case, match box and cigarettes.

#### Edmonton.

Leslie Tennant is back from his homestead after a three weeks' sojourn; he