

WILL TAKE VOTE
ONE DAY EARLIER

ST. THOMAS, Jan. 5.—The annual meeting and election of officers for the St. Thomas Horticultural Society will

be held Thursday, Jan. 12, instead of Friday, Jan. 13, it was announced today by Dr. F. E. Bennett, the president. Plans will be discussed for the annual show and convention of the Ontario Gladiolus Society, which is to meet in this city next August.



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SOLE CURE FOR
DOMINION ILLS

A. L. Hodgins, M.P., Well
Pleased Crerar-King Al-
liance Failed.

FARMERS OPPOSE UNION

Believe Political Organization
and Middlesex Executive
Should Be Separate.

"I don't think that I was ever prouder to be a member of the United Farmers of Ontario than at the present time," declared President Geo. Boug at the annual meeting of the Middlesex County United Farmers' organization Thursday afternoon in the county buildings, London.

Mr. Boug, in opening the meeting, stated that the U. F. O. had passed through in the recent federal election one of the hardest fights in the history of the organization, the main objective of the old parties being the breaking-up of the U. F. O. and the "getting rid of farmer candidates in which they had not succeeded," he said.

The president explained that the annual meeting had been postponed to a later date than usual in order that the elections would be over before the session.

Oppose Union of Two.
Whether or not the political organization of the U. F. O. should remain a separate institution as at the present or unite with the executive of the

Middlesex County U. F. O. was the first question which the president laid before the meeting.

Considerable discussion disclosed a general sentiment amongst the farmers against unity. The discarding of the proposition came finally as a result of the arguments of several of the members who showed that as there was a wide divergence of interests between the two, the political body functioning only at election time and the executive's work being organization, it would be better to leave the two separate.

Subsequent to the disposal of the year's business and the election of officers, the gathering was addressed by Mrs. Smith, chief director of the U. F. W. O. in Middlesex; John Freeborn, M.L.A., and A. L. Hodgins, M.P.

Would Educate Women

Mrs. Smith outlined the work the women were doing in the rural districts, explaining that the principal aim of the organization was to get the women educated in the matter of politics, a subject on which they were exceedingly ignorant at the present time, adding "the work of the U. F. W. O. is to educate the women in politics, not the struggle between the two old political parties but the politics of how we are governed."

"The nation is but the sum of the homes, and women should be taught to consider the environment of the homes, for one of the reasons why country homes are being depleted of youth is because insufficient time and attention is given to them."

John Freeborn urged the farmers to take a greater interest in U. F. O. meetings to organize debates in the districts from which they came and to secure capable speakers on the questions of the day.

Forms Debating Society.

At present he stated he is organizing a debating society and offering a shield for the winning team.

Mr. Freeborn congratulated the U. F. O. on the success of the past year, and hoped that the success would be still greater in the next year.

A. L. Hodgins first spoke of the national debt. During the election campaign, he said, he had given out figures concerning the national debt much greater than he had stated it to be, as he had since found out.

"We were fortunate," said Mr. Hodgins, "or unfortunate, whichever way you may have it, not to have enough members to form a government but I am glad that we have enough members to have a voice in the government."

He was also glad, he declared, that Mr. Crerar had not effected an alliance with Premier King, as he had been afraid that the Progressives would be absorbed in the King Cabinet.

"We do not lose our identity," he added. This remark was warmly applauded.

"The principles on which the party is built are solid principles. We are prepared to help any party of whatever race or creed they be if they are going to legislate the best for the Dominion of Canada."

Declares Work Needed.

There was only one thing that would be the salvation of the country, and that was work and getting down to business, Mr. Hodgins added.

The speaker then took issue with the present educational system, which seemed to be instilling into the youth of the country the principle of "get all you can for as little as you can" instead of service.

"I think," he said, "that is the basis of all financial depression."

The statement of the treasurer showed the organization to be flourishing financially, the balance on hand amounting to \$625.69.

The following were the officers elected: Chief director, R. Fitzgerald, Thornhill; chief lady director, Mrs. Smith; Crumlin; president, East Middlesex U. F. O. executive, Geo. Boug; vice-president, W. Stanley Grant; secretary-treasurer, Geo. Laidlaw, Wilton Grove; township directors, Richard Dickens, Biddulph; L. Beattie and A. M. Dickie, London Township; Joseph Johnson, Nissouri; Robert Elliott, Westminster; Edward Wilson, Dorchester. Auditors, W. Baily and John Laidlaw.

At the suggestion of Mrs. Smith, women directors for the different townships were appointed as follows: Mrs. R. Dickens, Biddulph; Mrs. Archie Hodgins and Mrs. Fred Waide, London Township; Mrs. John Dashon, Nissouri; Mrs. Smith of Crumlin, Dorchester, and Mrs. Mitchell, Westminster.

Considerable discussion developed before the meeting regarding the annual picnic, disaffection of the Western Fair grounds being expressed, the principal complaint being lodged against the inability of the organization to get permission from the London city council to close the gates and make an entry charge to the grounds.

It was finally decided to hold the picnic at Springbank.

CUSTOMS MARKING
LAW NOW IN FORCE

January first the new regulations governing the importation of goods through the customs in Canada became effective, the first new regulation governing the naming of the country of origin in stamped letters upon each commodity, and the other bearing on the value of the article which is being sent to Canada, the foreign consignee being required to affirm that the market value is not lower than the wholesale price.

Collector O. H. Talbot, in explaining the new clause in the oath of affirmation, said that it was to prevent Canada becoming the dumping ground of certain foreign corporations, who, finding their home market slumping at cheap prices, send the goods to this country.

The new clause states that the owner or his agent or attorney in Canada shall be prescribed the oath of affirmation in cases where the goods have been actually purchased for importation into Canada.

The new clause in the oath of affirmation asks the consignee to affirm that the market value of the goods which the consignee sets to be exported to Canada, is not lower than the wholesale price of the goods, and that in the case of new or unused goods the market value set is not below the actual cost of production plus a reasonable profit.

WINTER IN THE HIGHLANDS.

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