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JOHN D. HUNT,
Clerk Executive Council.

Alberta

This section of The Guide is conducted officially for the United Farmers of Alberta by P. P. Woodbridge, Secretary, Calgary, Alberta, to whom all communications for this page should be sent.

ASSOCIATION VITAL STATISTICS

The following report was submitted by the secretary to the meeting of the executive, September 12: I have great pleasure in submitting the following vital statistics of the association for the year 1916, up to the week ending September 9, as compared with a corresponding period for 1915.

The total receipts were \$12,547.08, as compared with \$8,380.14, an increase of \$4,166.94; of this amount \$5,428.46 are membership dues for the men, as compared with \$4,100.00 for last year, or an increase of \$1,328.46, representing approximately 2,670 members. Ninety new locals have reported since the first of the year with a total membership of 2,070, so that our old locals have not only held their own but actually increased their membership by 600 in spite of the fact that ninety of last year's locals are on the suspended list as not having reported this year at all.

Our total expenses to date are \$10,257.00, against \$8,161.09, or an increase of \$2,095.91. Our position is therefore relatively much better than at this time last year. This increase is made up as indicated in my last report by the increase in cost of the annual report, and an increase in officers' and organization expenses, which now amounts to \$750. You will note, however, that our net increase in expenditure has been reduced over that of five weeks ago, and as a matter of fact we are saving approximately \$100 a month in the operation of the Central office as compared with the same period last year.

We have also on hand a rather heavy stock of local union supplies, which I thought wise to secure in advance on account of the rapid increase which is taking place in the paper market on account of war conditions. I have on hand over 400 standard writing pads for local unions which we sell at 50 cents each; 200 minute books, selling price \$2 each; 1,100 buttons, with an average selling price of 18 cents, or about \$800 worth in the aggregate, all of which have been paid for.

I might mention that the total membership receipts for men during the whole of last year was only \$5,389.67, so that we have already passed our previous past record for any year and still have four months to go. It is only fair to state that the first eight months are always our best months, and as a general rule the receipts for the last four months only run about 25 per cent. of those received during the first eight months. As far as one can judge, however, there is no reason why we cannot at least hold the gain that has already been made, and with a little extra effort in the organization field I am confident that a still further increase could be secured.

NEWS FROM PEACE RIVER

I publish herewith letter forwarded to us by C. R. Field, president of the Swan River local organized this year in the Lesser Slave Lake district:

On May 13, 1916, a few settlers of the Swan River settlement, Peace River, met in the schoolhouse, and this was the third attempt, we succeeded in organizing a U.F.A. local which was named Swan River U.F.A. local. Many kept a cry of "It is no use," but thanks to the members, who number close to fifty, it is a success. Our union can almost boast of the support given by the ladies, three of whom are on the board of directors. Entertainment and lunch of coffee and cake is furnished quite regularly.

It was decided to meet every two weeks for a while, but the time seems so well occupied that we don't know when we will be able to change to the monthly meeting. Practically every subject of interest to the community welfare is being dealt with in its turn. On June 2 we had the honor of a visit from H. W. Wood, our provincial president, and H. C. Brown, vice-president of the Alberta Farmers' Elevator Co.

Limited, both of whom gave us much needed information and encouragement at the proper time.

Much credit can be placed to the Grain Growers' Guide as an educational and dependable issue, and the quicker every farmer realizes his position in the financial world, that much sooner there will be the necessary regulation in prices to the consumers. Farming is more independent than any other occupation and this is the stumbling place that hinders co-operation in the farming world. Careful study of conditions have proven to me that farmers are more distant with each other and less acquainted than any other class of business people. Therefore they lack the confidence to become familiar with each other. Everyone knows you find the farmer more generous and less narrow than any other class. Why? His open, free life has educated him better on that line than the man tied up in a narrow business.

The vastness of Peace River district can only be realized by those who have spent some time in its limits, and this little corner, Swan River Valley, with its productive soil and bountiful moisture supply, yielding as high as 600 bushels of potatoes and all the hardier garden vegetables on the natural soil, also abundance of fish in Slave Lake where 1,100,000 pounds is the yearly catch allowed; moose, bear, deer, foxes and other small game; small wild fruits, such as raspberries, gooseberries, cranberries and blueberries in quantities, can only be appreciated by those who have been here to see. If this sounds like fairy tales to you, apply to Wilfred L. McKillop, secretary, Kinuso, and get actual figures.

LOCAL TO THE RESCUE

The following report is to hand from V. E. Skertchley, of Tring: Sorry this has turned up late. Things got upset somewhat when my house blew away in a terrible storm. However, the local came to the rescue in fine style and erected a new building. The local is always there when help is needed and I am proud to be one of its members.

BUY U.S. APPLES

The following letter is to hand from our Acme Local, No. 62, re apple situation: "The members of Acme Local, No. 62, have decided not to buy B.C. apples on account of the duty that is being charged. Instead will buy apples from fruit growers in the United States and let the duty charged help pay the revenue. The local requests that you send this decision on to The Guide."

The Central office is in touch with growers in Washington willing to ship direct to the consumers in Alberta, and will gladly put you in touch with these people if any union is intending to buy apples this fall and would like to secure them from the States.

BRIGHT OUTLOOK AT COLINTON

J. C. Williamson, secretary of Colinton Local, No. 540, reports: "It is quite a time since you heard from me, but am glad to say that times are looking brighter in this district for our society. We got our binder twine from a local merchant, and by placing our order early got it for \$11.95. Today the same twine is \$13.50. I am now in correspondence re coal oil and expect to make a good saving on it, which will make the outside farmers sit up and take notice. We have received notice that A. W. Milne, a member of our local, has been killed in France, and other three members are in the firing line. The crops are looking fairly good in this district, and so far have received no damage from hail or frost. Here is looking forward to brighter times."

HEAVY RAINS AT BAWLF

T. E. Anderson, secretary of Bawlf Local Union, No. 350, sends in the following report: I enclose herewith the sum of \$14 as balance of membership

dues due Central office. We have now fifty-four members, and thirteen dollars were sent in by Mr. Rhyason in January last. Have tried to get up an order for groceries from our members and take advantage of the Hudson's Bay offer, but farmers are too busy to attend meetings in the summer time and consequently no business is done. However, we are getting in our second earload of flour, one of salt and one of lumber since we commenced, besides its a hooch on the town merchants not to overcharge us poor hayseeds. Crops are good in this vicinity, but oh so much rain!

SHOULD NATIONALIZE RAILWAYS

At the last meeting of the Rodney Local, No. 57, the following resolution was brought up: "Whereas, the C.N.R. and G.T.P. railroads are a burden to the taxpayers of Canada, who pay out without any compensation and, whereas the C.P.R. is on a paying basis to counterbalance the deficits of the other two. Therefore be it resolved that in the interest of the taxpayers of Canada, the government nationalize all Canadian railways and that copies of this resolution be sent to the Grain Growers' Associations of Manitoba and Saskatchewan, also to the Canadian Council of Agriculture and Railway Commission."

FREIGHT RATE REDUCED

The directors of The Grain Growers' Grain Co., together with Geo. Greig, representing the Stock Breeders' Association, and R. McKenzie, representing the Canadian Council of Agriculture, waited on Mr. Lanigan in respect to a reduction in the freight rate of feeders, stockers and breeding cattle from terminal points back to farms in the West.

After considerable discussion, Mr. Lanigan suggested that the C.P.R. would be favorable to giving a refund of 25 per cent. of the freight on stockers, feeders and breeding cows shipped out from Calgary, Edmonton, Moose Jaw, Saskatoon and Winnipeg. On presentation of a certificate signed by the secretary of The Grain Growers' Association and countersigned by the provincial secretary, to the receiving agent, he would be instructed to accept 75 per cent. of the regular freight rate in payment in full, and that the railway granting this rebate would expect that the cattle when shipped again to the terminal points would be forwarded over their road.

Mr. Lanigan also stated that he would take the matter up with the other railways at once, and so soon as the legal requirements could be complied with, that the regulations would be publicly announced. This is applying the principle of the seed grain certificate to shipments of cattle. The secretaries of the association are expected to see that only stockers, feeders and breeding stock would be permitted to come in on this reduced rate. Mr. Lanigan expressed the desire of the C.P.R. to help farmers as much as possible to feed the surplus of feed stuff that they have on the farms this year. The proposition appealed to those present as being acceptable.

SOLDIERS' LEAVE EXTENDED

At the request of members of our unions all over the province, the matter of further extension to soldiers engaged in the harvest fields was taken up by the Central office with Ottawa, and as a result of negotiations during the past week the following lettergram is to hand. Full publicity has been given to this thru the daily papers:

"Ottawa, Ont., Sept. 10, 1916.
"P. P. Woodbridge,
"United Farmers of Alberta.
"Calgary, Alta.

"Referring to your telegram of the 7th inst., it has been decided to permit further extensions of harvest leave by officers commanding districts to troops not warned for overseas service where actual need exists. Representations received indicate high wages are being paid, and it has been decided that while further extensions may be granted up to October 20, such will be granted without pay and allowances. Camp commandments have been notified as above and applications should be made to them.
"F. B. McCURDY."