



SASKATCHEWAN SECTION

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PROPOSED MUNICIPAL EXECUTIVE

Please find enclosed \$4.00, being yearly dues for eight members. Do you recommend having several smaller associations in the country schoolhouses surrounding a town such as Fillmore? It is almost impossible to get the farmers out to an evening meeting in town. This is not only the case with the G.G.A., but other meetings as well. I believe a large membership could be secured by organizing in the various schoolhouses and more interest maintained in the meetings than having only one branch in Fillmore as at present. Have you any provision for sub-associations in the school districts surrounding a town with a central executive to combine the whole? Will answer your list of questions after first meeting.

A. L. McDIARMID,
Sec., Fillmore Branch.

Good idea! Use rural municipality No. 96 as a unit embracing all the associations therein. Organize one at every schoolhouse. Form municipal executive to meet at Fillmore, using the constitution for their regulation just the same as you do for the local associations. Go at it now and make a job of it.—F.W.G.

LASHBURN OUT OF DEBT

Please find money order for \$5.00 enclosed, being balance of membership fees for 1911. Would you kindly inform us if there is anything on your books against us for 1911. We are holding our annual meeting soon to elect officers for the coming year, and also to take up the questions sent in by you not long since.

Threshing being so much delayed in this district, it has delayed our meeting. We are looking forward to a good interesting winter's work. Trusting this may find you well and everything in a prosperous condition in the association, we remain,

R. DePRIEST,
Sec., Lashburn G.G.A.

POPLAR PARK PROGRESSIVE

Poplar Park Grain Growers' association held their first annual meeting in the Poplar Park schoolhouse on December 1. This meeting was held in conjunction with the Women's Homemakers' club of this district.

As the time was limited, the only business done was the reports of retiring officers and election of officers for the ensuing year, and a meeting was called for the following Wednesday to discuss the questions sent, the amendments to the constitution, and Mr. Paynton's hail insurance scheme. A majority of the meeting were in favor of having the hail insurance made compulsory, fearing too many farmers would take advantage of the ruling out clause, and the scheme thus not be a success. But I expect this subject will again be discussed before the convention.

We intend holding meetings every two weeks on Wednesday afternoon during the winter, weather permitting.

A paper on co-operation was read by the president of the Homemakers' club, which was very interesting, and was listened to attentively. The wants of the inner man were then attended to, after which the meeting adjourned.

We have secured five new members for this year (1912). Two of the old ones have left the district, but all the others have promised to join again, and the majority have paid their subscriptions. We hope to get more. Do you wish these fees forwarded now, or not until after the convention? Will the central forward a copy of the resolutions to be brought before the convention to the locals in time for them to instruct their delegates?

We were not just quite clear about some of the questions, but have answered them to the best of our ability, and hope we are not too far astray as to their meanings. The

officers elected were: President, Wm. Allin; vice-president, Fred Moelleman; secretary-treasurer, John A. Halliday; directors, John Findlay, sr., Wm. Chase, Hugh J. Morrison, Jacob Moelleman, John B. Barrett and Richard Mattenly. We are having the constitution translated into German, and hope thereby to get some more of our German neighbors interested in the work of the Grain Growers' association.

JOHN A. HALLIDAY, Sec. Treas.
Good! Good! Let us have a copy of the translation.

THEY WERE SENT

Would you please send me the proposed amendments to the constitution of the G.G.A. and oblige.

PETER E. COOPER,
Sec., Tugaskie G.G.A.
Sure. Read the new constitution.—F.W.G.

A LIVELY BRANCH

We have a terrible shortage of cars, and any amount of wheat lying on the ground under the snow. Farmers reckoned on shipping their grain straight from the machine and had no bins prepared. The G.T.P. at this point will not handle the wheat before seeding starts.

We applied for a branch of the Saskatchewan Elevator company here at

under the doctor's care, and fully expect to be for some little time yet. My reason for writing you is merely to explain that I am unable to attend to the work which you are expecting me to do, and which I had planned to take up during the present month, as I am billed to leave for the Old Land on the 15th of January.

I hope to be able to do some work yet before I go, but am afraid that late threshing and anti-reciprocity prices are liable to sour the tempers of some of our best Grain Growers.

ANDREW KNOX,
Prince Albert, Sask. Dis. Director.

DIAGNOSIS IN BRIEF

Meadow Bank. North of Wadena, on main line of the C.N.R. Dull, nervous disorder, very weak.

Semans.—Unorganized unit No. 52 on G.T.P. main line. Meets in town monthly, but is rather drowsy; negative.

Poplar Park.—Eigenheim P.O., on C.P.R. Yorkton line. Rural municipality No. 341. Meets in country school regularly. Boys, women, girls and the men attend lively times; keen debates; social times. Threshing is done. Good healthy condition.

Grand Coulee.—Main line of C.P.R., just west of Regina. Dull sluggish pulse, overloaded stomach. Being workers, they will work it off and come around. Meet in skating rink; cold



Lions Head, Sask., Grain Growers' at close of meeting

Semans. Can you do anything for us, so that we can get an elevator for next shipping season? We want to put up a 60,000 bushel elevator. We can get all the shares necessary as soon as the papers arrive.

As regards coal, we have been handling coal straight from the cars to members, but have orders from the local merchant to "cut it out." So we do not know what we will do until next Saturday at our annual. We have handled seven cars so far this fall.

Through our local branch we organized an association to handle a portable elevator and a weigh scale. We handled a carload of twine this year again. We were also instrumental in bringing down the price of formalin.

I am enclosing a few snapshots taken at Punnichy district picnic.

V. T. N. PELLET,
Sec., Semans, Sask.
(Saskatchewan Co-operative Elevator company please note.)

MR. KNOX INJURED

Dear Mr. Green:—
I am sorry to report that our organization campaign is not proceeding very rapidly in district No. 8. Since our meeting at Moose Jaw my attention was taken up for some time with my threshing, and while so engaged I met with a slight accident, just two weeks ago today. I am still in bed,

place; not fit for orange blossoms.

Skipton.—Near Duck Lake, west of Prince Albert, north of Saskatchewan river. Out of debt, righteous and just. Weak heart; dangerous.

Orangeville.—Close to Moosomin, near Manitoba boundary line, near main line of C.P.R. Disordered blood. Very irregular heart action. Subject to Manitoba microbes and car shortage.

Mooreland.—Near Bethune, on C.N.R. Regina-Saskatoon line. Suffering from a combination of dust and snow blindness threshing, but busy and full of business; up-to-date.

Tregarva.—C.P.R. new line, north from Regina. Will live forever. 21 life members. Out of debt.

Boldenhurst.—C.P.R. Outlook line. Good health. Men, women, boys and girls attend regular meetings until harvest time. Out of debt. Well educated. Meet in country school. Have a farmers' local hail insurance, but grow too much grain. Thousands of acres still in stook. In danger of bilious attacks.

Tupper.—A little S.E. of Yorkton. Suffering from slow pulse and general debility, but will recover.

Keeler.—C.P.R. Outlook line. Meets in town. Lethargic, hypnotic spells. Eyesight steadily, hearing dull, but improving slightly.

Prosperity.—C.P.R. Kirkella line. Dangerously near the border. In dangerous state of health. Feverish, tem-

perature high. Pulse weak and fast. Cathartic recommended.

Dreyers.—South of Kinley, west of Saskatoon. Sick. Troubled with cash grip. Needs stimulant. Dr. Hill is in the neighborhood and should see the patient right away.

Parkbeg.—On C.P.R. main line, west of Moose Jaw. Young and weak in its legs as yet, but if it continues to feed well it will yet be able to do a man's work.

Lang.—On C.P.R. Soo line. Is hungry; looking for food, for thought and a chance to work. There is plenty of work, but a scarcity of trained leaders.

Kendalton.—Near Moosomin. On the home stretch. Racing with winter. A threshing machine as a handicap.

Kamanatha.—Good working order. Drinkwater.—Excited state; unreliable. Alkali troubles.

Paynton.—On C.N.R. line east of Lloydminster. Gay and in good humor, but rather flighty. Out of debt, however, and wide awake.

Big Arm.—West of Long Lake on the C.P.R. Vigorous, robust, determined. Arming, training, thinking, planning for action. They may be expected to take an active part in coming events.

Punnichy.—Characteristic reply to our question sheet. Do not hold meetings. Annual on December 16. We spent the dues belonging to central on a picnic. Cannot say when we will be able to send fees. Have no resolutions for convention as yet. Desperate condition on account of car shortage. Loading platform too small. S.G.G.A. is most certainly a good institution. It has absolutely bettered conditions. Is still a growing necessity. Should be stronger local units to make stronger central unit in order to meet other combinations. Life membership needs discussion. We believe that in one large convention representation should be one for every twenty-five or part thereof. We have not yet dealt with proposed constitutional amendments. Believe organization districts are better units for election of officers. The question of county organizations needs discussion. No girls, boys or women attend. Do not wear our buttons. Are short of men. Still lacking grain. Need no coal. Have plenty of wood.

Excelsior.—Severe attack of cash grip. Shortness of breath, but are after a co-operative elevator.

Scottville.—Near Radisson. Never heard of Paynter's hail insurance plan. See Guide of October 18. Oh, say! What is our official organ for? We have sent the Saskatchewan section of The Guide of October 18 to very many enquiring secretaries re this hail insurance. Nothing has taken the wind out of our sails like this, for we thought everybody read The Guide. But now—we have a different opinion.

Greenwood.—South of Lloydminster. Very close to being just outside the biggest thing in the world, so close are they to the border. They will be up-to-women attend. But they have not yet date. They are meeting in the country schoolhouse. Boys, girls, men and got our nice buttons on them. What a pity!

Invermay.—On C.N.R. main line. H. A. Louks, secretary. Healthy, running, jumping condition. Expecting Reid, of Oreadia, on December 16. There will be a time at the big Regina convention this year by all accounts.