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J. B. MUSSELMAN CENTRAL SECRETARY

MOOSE JAW, SASK

# Saskatchewan

Association by J. B. Musselman, Secretary, Moose Jaw, Sask., to whom all communications for this page should be sent

#### PATRIOTIC ACRE

The Patriotic Acre proposal, as outlined last week, has attracted widespread attention and has drawn favorable comment from many sources. every local will take loyally hold of the matter the Saskatchewan farmers thru their association will render a service to the empire and the cause of liberty, which will win for the farmers of the province an enviable name and reputation the world over of which we shall ever be proud. Such a contribution, if general, will attract attention to our fertile fields and boundless prairies in a manner that will, when the war is ended, attract many thousands of the best class of settlers to Saskatchewan. The following is a clipping from a

#### One Acre Each

very prominent Canadian daily

Saskatchewan Grain Growers Plan-Fine Patriotic Gift

Acting on the suggestion from one of the members of the Saskatchewan Grain Growers' Association, the central organization is making a unique patriotic appeal to the farmers of this province. The appeal is that each grain grower will set apart one acre of land to sow with wheat next spring, the proceeds from which will be given to the patriotic fund. The central organization has adopted this plan as it appeals to them as a fair one in which all the farmers, whether they had a poor crop this year or not, may take part.

As the Association has 850 locals, it is anticipated that the acreage under cultivation for patriotic purposes will be 50,000 acres, and the crop, at an average of 12 bushels per acre as this year, would mean 600,000 bushels of grain, or almost an equal amount of money. Truly a princely offering from the farmers of Saskatchewan.

#### SETTLERS WANT CO-OPERATIVE SUPPLIES

Dear Sir:-You are no doubt aware that the government is issuing relief tickets here in this district and they take them to the stores and get goods for them. I am selling all our members coal for \$6.25 per ton, but the gentleman that is giving out these tickets does not want the Grain Growers'Association to do business in this town, and therefore will not issue tickets on the Grain Growers' Association, but will give our members tickets if they go to the regular coal dealer where they have to pay \$7.50 per ton. Our members think this way of doing business is a hold up, forcing them to buy where they do not want

Do you think that the head office of the Grain Growers' Association could remedy this style of doing business and force the government to give the tickets where the poor fellows could buy the cheapest as the farmers should be allowed to do the best they could with the money they are getting. They will all have to pay this money back sooner or later as it is only a loan the gov-ernment is giving them against their land, but actually forcing them to deal where they say. Please let us know what steps to take to remedy this

Note:-In view of the splendid work which the governments—both Provincial and Federal—are doing for the assistance of farmers whose crops were a failure, and the obvious intent that so far as possible no farmer shall be left incapable of sowing his land next spring, it would appear only reasonable that the suggestion made in the above letter and also by many other locals should be adopted by the government and distribution of relief supplies after investigation made thru the Co-operative Wholesale Department of the Saskatchewan Grain Growers' association. Surely the farmers should not have to pay \$7.50 per ton for coal which they can purchase for \$6.25 just because the government is good enough to lend them a little of their own money J. B. M.

#### FARMERS MUST HAVE FEED

Dear Sir:-The oat crop has been a complete failure in this district and seed and feed both will have to be purchased. We will require a carload of seed and one or more carloads of feed. Kindly quote me prices laid down at Harris on the C.N.R. and Biggar on G.T.P., either point being suitable. I might say the wheat crop was very light here, an average of about 8 bushels per acre, and as this part of the country is comparatively new, there is not much cash in the farmers' possession. The hay crop is almost a failure and hay is very scarce compared with other years.

There is a lot of land to be seeded in the spring but it cannot go in in any kind of shape without feed oats, and preparation for another year will fall to nil. Cannot something be done thru the government or otherwise to supply oats on next fall's terms? Good security could be had in almost every It seems to me the most practical method of assuring a big yield from Western Canada for the coming year is to put the man on the land already established in the most efficient state.

Awaiting your reply, E. B. GIFFORD, Secy. Ailsa Craig Association.

E. B. Gifford, Esq.,

Dear Sir:-I have your favor of the 12th inst., and am very sorry to know that your oat crop has been a complete failure and that you will be obliged to purchase considerable quantities. The position which you state is that which exists at many points in Saskatchewan and the suggestion which you make is both timely and to the point.

It has been proposed by various public men of the East that the Canadian government should make a very large grant to assist in bringing under cultivation a vastly increased acreage of land, these men evidently not being aware of the fact that land broken in the spring of 1915 cannot yield returns until the fall of 1916. If the men making this proposition are sincere they should lend their support to such a proposal as you have put forth. Many thousands of acres of land, especially in Western Saskatchewan, cannot be properly put into crop next spring unless assistance is rendered to the farmers on the land in the shape not only of seed but of feed as well. We have now the assurance that no land will have to lie idle during next year for want of seed and I am quite confident that the government will come to the assistance of all worthy farmers who may find it impossible to work their land for lack of feed.

It will be wise for your local and all other locals who are interested in this proposition to memorialize by reso-

lution Sir George E. Foster, Minister of Trade and Commerce, Ottawa. Central Secretary

#### PAINT ADDED TO THE LIST

The Central has now added to its long list of supplies for Saskatchewan farmers acting thru the association a full line of ready mixed paints. These will be sold to our locals at prices that make the so-called "Bargain Day" prices of profit seeking companies look a bit leary. It is good paint, too-the kind that wears and it looks well. Just another evidence of what the Saskatchewan farmers can do when they go after their own business in earnest. large contract had to be placed to get the values but it will all sell and more.

We now handle lumber, roofling. metal sheeting and siding, and paint to finish off and protect the whole. Thus we work for better homes at less cost and we are revolutionizing trade conditions in the province.

#### LOCAL NEWS

Enclosed find \$4.00 membership fees from our local for eight new members. You ask if we wear the membership button. Yes, indeed, we do, and it certainly is (as you state in your letter) a nice way in which the members can advertise their Association.

We are very much pleased to learn that the membership of the Central Association is increasing. I feel quite confident that a progressive movement like ours is bound to become the one which will be of most vital interest to all farmers and citizens of Canada.

We are, yours for co-operation, A. E. ROSVOLD, Secretary Una G. G. A

Enclosed please find cheque for \$9.50, -membership fees for nineteen members. This brings our membership up to fiftyone and we hope to go on increasing.
Unfortunately the crops in this district
are not of the best and farmers generally
are feeling the pinch of hard times.
There is no doubt, however, if we stick together as an Association our condition vill rapidly improve.

Wishing you every success in your efforts for our Association.

ARTHUR HALL

Secretary Landis Ass'n

Enclosed find \$8.00, fees from the Avondale W. G. G. A., which at present consists of sixteen members. MYRTLE R. NODWELL, Secretary Avondale W.G.G.A

I enclose herewith \$11.50 membership fees due Central.

J. J. LAMB, Sec. Key West Local.

Enclosed I hand you \$18.00 due to the Central from this local for thirtysix members.

WM. RUDD, Secretary Uren Local

Please find enclosed \$3, being fees for six new lady members of this association.

(MRS.) N. DEALEY, Sec'y Red Lake W.G.G.A.

Please find enclosed order to amount of \$8.50, being fees for seventeen new

> N. F. SCOTT, Sec'y Woodlawn Ass'n.

#### DEOCRAM OF DISTRICT CONVENTIONS

	PROGRAM OF DISTR	act conventions	
District			
No.	Director	Date	Place
1	B. M. Hendricks, Outlook	Dec. 9	Elbow
2 .	M. P. Roddy, Rouleau	Nov. 20	Weyburn
3	N. Spencer, Carnduff	" 19	Arcola
4	R. M. Johnston, Eastview	" 10	Regina
5	J. W. Easton, Moosomin	" 417	Wawota
6	F. W. Redman, Grenfell	" 13	Broadview
7	C. O. A. Travis, Govan	" 17 and 18	Melville
8	T. M. Eddy, Bethune	" 19	Hanley
9	J. F. Reid, Orcadia	" 24	Wynyard
10	J. L. Rooke, Togo	% 25	Wadena
11	Thos. Sales, Langham	Dec. 1 and 2	N. Battleford
12	A. Knox, Prince Albert	Nov. 27	Prince Albert
13	W. H. Lilwall, Wilkie	Dec. 4	Biggar
13	W. H. Lilwall, Wilkie	" 8	Conquest
14	J. N. Burrill, Indian Head	" 11	Swift Current
15	F. Burton, Vanguard	To be published later	