

Alberta

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VETERAN ACTIVITIES

James Lee, of Veteran, reports concerning their last regular meeting, held on March 18, that there was a fair attendance and a considerable amount of business was put through in the shape of ordering binder twine, plow shares and other commodities, on which they expect to make a considerable saving. A lengthy discussion also took place on deceased person's estates, the majority of members thinking there was room for great improvement in such matters. A suggestion was made that an official trustee should be appointed to act in this respect.

A good U.F.A. dance was held on March 1, the proceeds of which were placed in the treasury, it being thought that being a young local a reserve fund was necessary. An entertainment on behalf of the Red Cross will be held soon. The membership continues to increase and they expect to have a large membership before the end of the year. The members of the local are going to put in as big a crop as possible, but will not be in a position to hire much help owing to the fact that the government has not as yet guaranteed the price of wheat for this year, and are still saddling the farming industry with duty on machinery, which the Union thinks should be taken off right now to give any greater production.

OUT FOR NEW MEMBERS

In a letter from W. Brackenbury, Jr., the following occurs: Here I am again. As I said some time ago we were out for new members. Well, I might say the forming sides is proving a success. We held a social at our schoolhouse on the 12th, when we had the Red Cross in mind. I am glad to be able to forward the sum of \$108.75 to the above fund, which is extra good for a small local like ours.

The program of our social included the rendering of quartettes, solos, reading, and two characters representing a wounded soldier and a Red Cross nurse, after which plates were sold to the people present, for at least 50 cents; then the ladies proceeded to fill same with eatables, after the consumption of which dancing was indulged in until the wee sma' hours of the morning.

"NOTHING LESS THAN FIFTY"

P. F. Austin, secretary of Hanbury local writes: On February 23, H. E. Spencer, director, gave us the once over. Warning of his approach was

only given the evening before, which militated against the attendance. This local has been almost dead for some two years. However, at this meeting A. F. Francis was elected president, F. Rodwell, vice-president, and P. F. Austin secretary-treasurer.

A box social was given by the local on March 8. The attendance was extremely small on account of the weather. Some 21 baskets brought \$98.25 to be used towards the picnic fund. One young sport presented us with \$28 for one basket. Paid up membership now is 26. For a start, "Nothing less than fifty" is our slogan.

THIRTY-NINE GUIDE SUBSCRIBERS

Stuart Baker, of the Fullview local at Hardisty, reports in the course of a letter that: The business of the evening consisted of making arrangements for the growing of the prize-winning seed wheat from The Grain Growers' Guide. We were successful enough to join up 39 two-years' subscriptions for The Guide. Details were successfully arranged and the members were most enthusiastic over our first small undertaking. Since my last report we have enrolled eight new members, making our total 27.

D. E. Berg, secretary of Cherry Grove local, writes as follows: I am enclosing \$25 for membership dues, which, with \$5.00 already remitted, makes a total of \$30 remitted since the beginning of the year. There seems to be no opposition to paying the extra dollar, and we expect as large a membership as we had last year. We have started a sort of contest for securing new members, the member bringing 15 or more new members during 1918 is to receive a life membership.

We commend this idea to other secretaries.

Rudy W. Moore, secretary of the Garden Plains Local, Union No. 310, reports general progress on behalf of this union, and remits \$50 for the Red Cross funds, which was contributed without any special effort by their members.

J. C. Saltvold, secretary of Rosebush local, reports that the second regular meeting of the Rosebush local was held on February 23. A few of the members spoke on general topics, and four new members were added to the list, making the total number 30. On February 25 the local held a successful neck-tie social in the Rosebush schoolhouse. About \$55 was realized, one-half of which will be sent to the Red Cross society, the other half to be kept in the local treasury for future needs. A program of music, speeches and a debate was enjoyed by all present.

The following has come to hand from Max L. Sutton, secretary of St. Elmo Local 252: It has been some time since you heard from St. Elmo. Enclosed find \$25.50 due you, also list of members. It gives me great pleasure to inform you that on February 8 we re-organized and elected officers for the year. On March 1 we held a social, the money to be used to buy an organ. Songs, dialogues, recitations and music by the Smoak orchestra was indulged in until 12 o'clock, when the ladies served a fine lunch. Everyone then danced until daylight. Our next U.F.A. meeting will be held March 30. Another social will be given March 29. At the social there were about 125 people.

J. Smith, secretary of McCafferty Local writes: Please forward me 100 copies of this year's annual report, for which I enclose \$10. These reports are required as early as possible. In conjunction with Doley we are holding a sale of farm stock and machinery, a percentage of the proceeds to be allocated to the Red Cross. We are obtaining entries of stock, etc., from farmers living in territory not yet canvassed by the U.F.A., and therefore these reports are required for educational and propaganda work.

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