

of a brutal prize fight—virtue and vice arm in arm sauntering sweetly down the page together.

The Guide, also, is strictly independent. Not one cent of political, capitalistic or big interest money is invested in it. Think of that in this day "when editors mostly draw their convictions from the same place they do their salaries and are paid for suppressing the truth and made rich for lying!"

Most persons who look below the surface of things will agree with me that the curse of Canadian politics is blind adherence to party. The Guide is strictly non-partisan, so it is free to protest against all corruption, graft or mismanagement in either of the great parties. Perhaps you don't fully realize what a grand thing it is to have a free paper working in your interests, one not muzzled by promises of future rewards "when our party gets into power." No, it can "hew to the line and let the chips fall where they may." And it is trying to persuade all who read its pages to shake off party-bondage and stand up under the blue sky of Heaven, thinking human beings, free to exercise the right of franchise according to the dictates of reason and conscience.

It also advocates the franchise for women, a thing most papers, no matter what the private views of owners or editors, let severely alone, as something too insignificant to bother with. You see it is not regarded as a very popular movement, so to champion it would not pay. They never miss, however, giving to their readers a one sided account of any suffragette's actions. To quote again:

"'Twas a good cause and true.

Not until men condemned it did I doubt

Vox populi, vox dei, and all that,

I think 'twere wise and prudent to step out."

The Guide is progressive and so is not behind in this movement, which, I believe in the near future, will be regarded as the right, proper and most natural thing in the world.

It is also the only paper in Canada absolutely owned and controlled by the organized farmers. And as a "fellow feeling makes us wondrous kind" so it can enter into your life work understandingly. No one who has not been a farmer himself could possibly understand your toils and hardships.

It gives a truthful and reliable account of the news of the world and avoids journalism of the yellow type. The performances of Jack Johnston and others of his kind are not given as a weekly diet. You must go elsewhere to learn just what that interesting individual is doing every day.

I trust I have set you thinking, reader of this! Don't you feel that for all these things I have mentioned and others, which lack of space compels me to omit. The Grain Growers' Guide is worthy of your enthusiastic support? Do not say by your actions:

"My friend, the cause for which you dare Is just and worthy, and it has my prayer,

My time and money are engaged elsewhere."

Remember one's life must affect others, and you are potentially responsible for your share in the development of humanity. With this thought I will close, hoping and trusting that in the future you will endeavor to patronize your own paper, your earnest, true, hopeful and helpful Guide.

Mrs. ROBERT HICKS.

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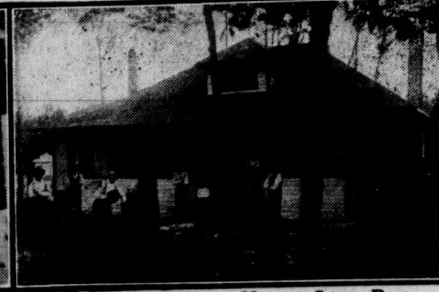
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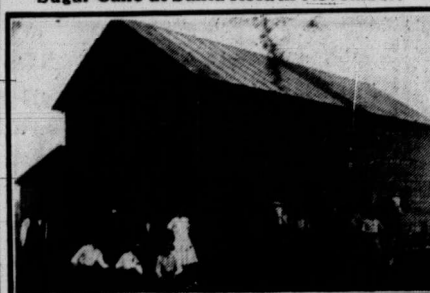
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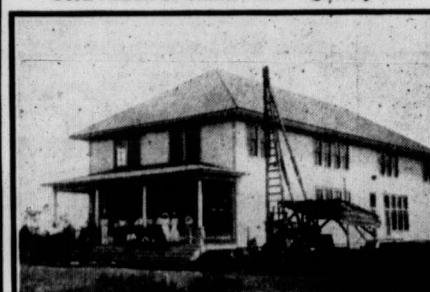
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