## MANITOBA UNITED FARMERS NOT TO ENTER PROVINCIAL POLITICS, CONVENTION DECIDES

Thanksgiving Day

That the system and form of the in

President of the Canadian Postmas-

Better pay for rural mail carries is

Greater gratuities for veterans as

name of the women's association to

District Directors

Chapman: Brandon, D. G. McKenzie:

Portage la Prarie, P. D. McArthur:

Neepawa, A. J. M. Poole; Marquette,

I. B. Griffiths: Dauphin, R. J. Avison:

French; Springfield, Bruce Edie; Mac-

the city and people of Brandon, the

Reply to Mr. Henders

J. L. Brown, President, stated that a

The convention was brought to a

Action

The resolution on political action

press, and the executive officers.

donald, A. Graham.

favored, in a resolution adopted.

board to be drafted.

This Will Not Prevent Many Districts Putting For- great principle embodied in the Farm- lution was that it did not fix a per Delegate Brown from Source Brow ward Independent Candidates—Question of in every Federal constituency a can not commit himself now to next year's Provincial Action Referred To Locals For didate pledged to support those prinpolicy. Reverting to the Wheat Board, by the convention and he would leave and the price the consumer has to pay Expression of Opinion—Brandon To Have Ciples and, Whereas we recognize that the ers. (Hear, hear.) The resolution was 1921 Convention—Important Resolutions

Friday evening's session brought to | G. Lovell, Springfield, in support, Whereas we believe that our whole a close an epochal convention which declared that the milk producers could energies at this time must be contract the government of Canada be in the Federal field," he declared. placed the United Farmers of Manitoba not deliver milk to Winnipeg at the centrated in giving effect to these funurged to repeal immediately the or R. A. Hoey stated that he was closethe Ontario Association in this regard, the resolution be adopted. W. H. and practically forming the nucleus French, Selkirk, was the seconder. of what Association officials expect will be a coast to coast movement.

in the next Provincial elections. Foflowing a discussion lasting seven hours, the matter of Provincial action in July was turned down. was referred to the locals for expresmany of the Districts putting forward

Convention Here in 1921

Brandon will be the convention city for 1921, it was decided after the delegates heard a delegation headed by Mayor Dinsdale. An attarctive invitation from Winnipeg was refused. Mayor George Dinsdale asked the delegates to meet again in Brandon next year. He announced that the delegates would be guests of the city at a dance in the convention hall,

Ald. Geo. R. Coleman said Brandon felt wedded to the United Farmers of of the executive, being elected to par-Manitoba. Next year Brandon might liament, resign their seats, was tabled the delegates. He compared the ad- tion asking that at least as much centre compared with Winnipeg. He of Canadian schools, as is spent on told how the livestock men had stayed military and naval preparations, and loyal to Brandon, how also the Mani- it was dropped. toba Winter and Summer fairs were

of Trade, also extended a cordial proper authorities, was carried. invitation. He pointed to the exceptionally good railway facilities

punctuated by humorous sallies. caused much enthusiasm, the cheers being equally as loud as on any other The motion to met her in 1921 was carried unanimously.

Mayor Dinsdale briefly tendered thanks from the city.

Resolutions setting forth the Association's stand on all important resolution. It was tabled. questions were passed.

The women had a share in all disduring the past year.

The executive will deal with a plea pay of a common laborer. The execufrom the Ruthenian delegates that the tive was asked to fully probe this convention be not held on January 7th | matter. at any future date. January 7th is their Christmas Day.

The convention then went on to re- with the Ottawa Government. sume discussion on resolutions.

Many Resolutions

The resolution asking for greater Delegates argued that attention emphasis on the study of political should be paid to the disabled men economy and agriculture was carried first, especially along the lines of inand sent on to the Manitoba School adequate pensions. Trustees.

A resolution to the effect that the Board of Directors be instructed to definitely present the cause of the brought into contact with it, was car which was adopted and changed the not seconded and was dropped. ried without discussion.

The Central Board will fix the date the United Farm Women of Manitoba. of a Grain Growers' Sunday.

Better telephone facilities in the rural districts was asked in another resolution sent to the executive.

The next resolution asked a supervision of creameries. It also went to the executive.

Resolution on Prohibition Harris MacKee, Little Souris, introduced a resolution asking for provincial and Dominion action on the liquor

enthusiastic applause. It read: "Therefore be it resolved that we the United Farmers of Manitoba, in convention assembled in the city of full statement from the Board would that the resolution did not ask a con-

(2) To immediately enact legisla-t tion, making it illegal for any indi-close by the singing of the National viduals to purchase liquor for bever- Anthem. Following the adjournment age purposes, and for the having of a dance was held under the auspices such liquors on their premises. of the city for the delegates and

(3) To immediately request the Do- friends. minion, Parliament to submit a refer- Resolution Passed on Political Action endum covering the situation.

Abolition of Board of Commerce Immediate abolition of the Board read as follows: of Commerce, or reconstruction of this Whereas the Manitoba Grain Growbody was the gist of a long resolution, ers' Association has taken certain

great issues of the immediate future then made unanimous. are of a Federal nature and.

Resolution Passed ture was asked to take the matter up be left entirely to the local democratic freedom which English ing and uprising against tyranny and No Association candidates will run in a rider added to the resolution, constituencies; and further, if the sperking peoples have taken over oppression. clare in favor of taking concerted ac- Canadian people. It was carried. tion by the majority of the locals.

> the second Monday of the month, a platform." second amendment moved by George The delegates had their pictures A Federal election next Summer and advocated Provincial action.

should be a National day of thanks-The motion was referred to the A resolution asking for legislation allowing of the distribution of electrifarming people East of the Rocky pect. Mountains. Government barriers were ing to weld the farmers' organizations Summer. farmers' platform contained nothing money be spent for the improvement past fifteen years' work by all associ-

ations interested. The convention readily adopted the A resolution asking that the Central four amendments, one to secure un-Association bring the matter of care-P. Kennedy, President of the Board lessness on the railways before the restricted reciprocal exchange of nation the Board of Directors lowing the example of the United Fartural products with the U.S.A.; sec-A resolution reading, "Whereas, the Union Government holds the reins of free list; third, that naturalization possessed by Brandon.

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> Endorse National Marketing of Wheat

A resolution asking that the Concome tax be simplified and the Act amended to include expenditure for vention endorse for the present the female help, was the gist of a resolu- national marketing of wheat read: "Whereas the abnormal conditions That the present system of handling! of the war have rendered it necesrural mail be changed, and the sorting sary for the governments of import. be left entirely for the initiative on be done by the post office staff instead ing and exporting countries to exerof the carriers, was asked in the next cise measures of control over ship-

H. W. Coxsmith, High Bluff,, Vice- wheat: "And whereas possibilities of govcussions and were complimented ter's Association, made a plea for ernmental control over the grain marthroughout on their co-operation higher salaries for postmasters. Many kets of the principal importing counof them, he said, did not get the tries of Europe, including Great Britain, still exist;

"Therefore, be it resolved that the Canadian council of agriculture, while not at this date declaring upon the also to be taken up by the executive principal of the government control as a permanent policy, believe it is Costrable to continue national marketasked by the Manitoba G.W.V.A. was ing of Canada's wheat product, at least so long as the principle countries importing Canadian wheat re- energies at this time must be concentain government control of their imports and distribution.

Considerable discussion arose and Major McLaren outlined the G.W.V.

Josiah Bennett, Pine Creek, speak- and class interests. ing to the amendment, asked the con- "Therefore, be it resolved that the let "the gamblers at the Grain Ex- be left entirely to the initiative of follows: Provencher, C. L. Stoney; change" control the prices of wheat, each local constituency." Lisgar, Peter Wright; Souris, R. F. and opposed the resolution.

Delegate Dearborn, Arnott, scored the Wheat Board when the resolution for Provincial action. He character- Gee, A. Graham, R. A. Hoey, O. A. from the Canadian Council of Agri- | lzed F. J. Dixon as the only opposition Jones, D. McKenzie, P. D. McArthur, Saskatchewan Grain Growers' Associa-Swan River, W. I. Ford; Selkirk, W. H. cussed

A vote of thanks was extended to the Winnipeg exchange.

Norman Lambert, called upon, said

whatever any recommendation to the C. Henders. He asked for united ef- kets. Europe today had less food than its place: Dominion Government for the grant- fort on the part of all to see that the at any time during the war. The

what belated. giain had been carried across the line Provincial field." for over a month.

of Alberta, F. W. Riddell, Saskatche warrant their re-election. wan, and Colonel J. Z. Frazer, Ontario.

- Plea for Fair Trial A. G. Hawkes, Saskatchewan, said

vention, "The squel comes because of the matter. the price has gone up in the U. S.: if it had gone down there would be no kick. "Give the Wheat Board a fair trial, he pleaded. J. R. Murray said he has been re-

peatedly asked if the millers got the benefit of the recent raise. They liad

Friday's Session

of the proposed changes in the New campaign committee. He urged every in favor of the original resolution and woman in the Association. National Policy. The Farmers' Move delegate to be ready for an election urged its adoption on the ground that

The resolution carried amid enthusseparate political schools and the Can- Winnipeg, stating that an election mittee and handed out to the people. the movement, adian Council of Agriculture was try- would probably come bofore' next

> Provision of Machinery Josiah Burnett, Pine Creek, secondresolution, which reads: 'Whereas, we re-affirm the decision

National policy. "Resolved, that for the prosecution of the United Farmers of Manitoba mers of Ontario. The question had, ond, to place all foodstuffs on the constitute itself the motive and organ- he said, been brought down to whe-

> For Federal Action Only local associations, said that the Government had an awe for the farmers the main object at present should be

Federal action The resolution reads: "Whereas the Manitoba Grain Growers' Association has taken certain definite action to put into effect the great principle embodied in the Farmers' Platform by organizing to elect in every Federal constituency a candidate pledged to support those princi-

ples, and, "Whereas we recognize that the great issues of the immediate future vention, many districts will put for opportunity. are of a Federal nature, and.

"Whereas we believe that our whole trated in giving effect to these fundamental principles, and,

Major McLaren outlined the G.W.V.

A. gratuity plan, which, he stated, was an amendment was proposed to make drafted no provincial platform and be-"Whereas, our Association has Mrs. Jane Elliott and Mrs. F. E. the continuance of the national martion in the Provincial field would farmers to all who have not yet been Gee moved and seconded a motion keting of wheat. The amendment was greatly accentuate the assertion that we are laboring for class legislation

vention if the farmers were going to question of taking Provincial action

Strong for Provincial Action

Josiah Bennett declared the present Provincial politics should be entered, Mrs. J. S. Wood, J. S. Wood, W. R. Central Board. He declared that the system benefitted the "gamblers" on if only to hold the farmers solid for Wood, Peter Wright. Federal action when the time came. Following adjournment all but six with the Manitoba organization in its James Bowsfield, MacGregor, plead- He declared that the political parties withdrew. The six remaining were R. attempts politically. He assured the ed earnestly for publicity in all wheat in Manitoba were hoping the farmers J. Avison, J. L. Brown, H. English, D. delegates that Saskatchewan would

Suggests New Resolution

ing of any license to any liquor ware-platform of the farmers' movement be Wheat Board had permitted domestic mittee of the United Farmers of Man- Delegates asked that the candidates Wm. Orchard also spoke as an official flour to go to the millers too long ltoba be immediately appointed to be requested to give their views on of the Saskatchewan Grain Growers' and the increase to farmers was some- draft a Provincial platform, and, fur- political action. W. R. Wood rose and ther, that this convention go on rec- stated that the convention had never A Deloraine delegate declared that ord as endorsing united action in the discussed political action. A hearty briefly, and complimented the associa-

Replying to many delegates, Mr. ment, Mr. English took some time and cons. A resolution to the effect tions would be united as the United Lambert said the farmers' delegates running down the Norris administra- that the resolution asking the can- Farmers of Canada. on the Wheat Board were H. W. Wood tion, whose record, he said did not didates to air their views on political J. A. Caron, Prescott County, On-

keep down the manipulators in Win- had been invited, he said, by the Live- vention at 2.45 p.m. today. nipeg. He was sure the resolution stock Association. He was not, he would pass at the Saskatchewan con. said, either approving or disapproving

Criticizes Premier Norris

The redrafted resolution regarding We cannot fight against each other in solidly prepared for Federal action. censorship reads: "Be it resolved Provincial politics and fight together ders-in-council curtailing the liberty ly in touch with public opinion and of the press, as a violation of the that it was behind the Farmers' move-Be it resolved that the ques- British principles of justice as a con- ment, and characterized the Farmers' Wright 56. The Canadian Council of Agricultion of taking Provincial action tradiction of the very traditions of movement as part of a great awaken-

A proposal to hold the convention province, after consulting the electors most formidable obstacle to the de- an amendment to the amendment that English, A. Graham, O. A. Jones, P. of their respective constituencies de velopment of a strong and united the action only be taken after ratifica. Wright and D. G. McKenzie. The first

one pulled the wool over their eyes, unanimous.

"Is that not machine politics" he asked.

Platform From The People Delegates opposed Mr. Murray's politics," and in a heated reply he de-

clared he wished to see a platform from the people. J. Rathwell, Brandon, acrocated foi-

inder their supervision, the special United Farmers of Manttona have not should, in years past, in regard to made. It was carried unanimously. Provincial affairs. Farmers, strong The next resolution dealt with the party men, have in past assisted to The farmers should have a plat- reads:

ward independent candidates at the next Provincial election. He warned against antagonizing the urban and sympathy of the Association with the rural electors in the Federal elections. legitimate aspirations of labor in Can-

committee to be re-drafted and put be- establishment, was unanimously carfore the convention at this after ried. noon's session in a form more apt to meet with unanimous approval. A A resolution asking that the miliresolution to this effect carried enthu- tary forces in Canada be reduced to a siastically and the convention ad- minimum, staffs cut down, that there journed for lunch.

Nominations for President Brown, C. H. Burnell, R. Chapman, T. could be in attendance. A. D. Craig, Clearwater, was strong A. Crerar, H. English, W. I. Ford, Mrs. culture on the price of wheat was dis- in the present Provincial House. | J. W. McQuay, Mrs. Parker, F. W. tion, brought greetings to the Manito-R. F. Chapman, Ninga, argued that Ransome, Wm. Robson, J. W. Scallion, ba convention from the Saskatchewan

would stay out of Provincial politics. McKenzie, J. W. Scallion, Peter not be behind in attempting to put Wright. Later, at the request of into legislation the new National pol-Brandon, urge the Provincial Governbe made in good time and published tinuation of past conditions. It made stated that the amendment moved by was incapacitated, his name was with. Association, R. M. Johnson, Saskatnational market conditional on the Mr. Craig had been withdrawn and drawn. The President of the local of chewan, complimented the convention (1) To give under no conditions published from the late president, R. buyers, also controlling their mar. presented the following amendment in which he is a member officially asked on the work being done, and told the his name withdrawn.

"Be it resolved that a special com- No Discussion on Political Action ciently organized for political action. discussion arose and candidate after tion on the change of name and pro-R. D. Craig seconded the amend- cardidate rose and argued the pros phesied the time when the Associaaction was tabled.

conclusion of Mr. English's argument, political action in the provincial field development along farmers organiza-

it was unfair to criticize the Wheat that the United Farmers had not in , would find difficulty in securing it's tions in Quebec, where they are follow Board when the board was helping to vited Premier Norris to attend. He adoption when it comes before the con- ing the lead of the West. He told the

Atandon Man Outlines Stand Brandon district, stated that he favor. U. F. O. and a French Canadian. ed both Provincial and Federal polit-Andrew Graham, Pomercy, advocatical action by the Association and ask- A resolution asking, that greater ed entrance into rrovincial politics. ed the convention to place a man at emphasis be put on the study of politics. "We can't play party on and party off. the head of the organization who lead economy and practical agricul-We cannot take up politics in one would support this view. J. L. Brown ture in the schools was introduced place and not in another, he declared. while stating that he did not feel and the debate adjourned till the wo-He asked that the amendment be that he was the best man for the posi- men delegates could be present. not. The strongest phase of the reso- adopted. He characterized Premier tion, left his name before the conven-Delegate-Brown from Souris, want- and stated he would be honored to vincial Board institute an inquiry into at once in Provincial politics. "It himself at the service of the Asso- for the finished product, was carried. will." he said, "hold the Association | ciation. The Balloting

of the Association for 1920 by a ma- uity question, was endorsed in a resojority of 75 over the total votes of the lution referred to the committee. R. English 54, D. McKenzie 159 and Peter politics and contemplates lining up

resulted in 17 nominations. Many their requests for sufficient to enable majority of constituencies in the three centuries to establish and as a W. D. Harvey, Springfield, moved balloted for were, C. H. Burnell, H. O. civil life. A resolution asking the Dominion tion at the next Provincial election, It was announced that the Mayor I. T. Lennox, Melita, said that he second ballot returned D. G. McKenzie ment lean to soldiers settling on the Government to fix a day for Thanks- the Provincial Executive be asked to and a committee had asked to meet had attended twelve conventions and as Vice-President for 1920 by a major- land as "a millstone hung about their an independent candidate, it was giving toward the end of November, to call a convention of accredited dele- a committee of the convention in re- that this matter was the most impor- ity of 182 votes over the total of the neck for years to come," and advocaaccommodate the farmer and rancher. gates from the constituencies for the gard to accommodation and entertain- that ever before the Association, and other candidates. On a motion of C. ted a free grant to all returned solasked the younger men to see that no H. Burnell, the election was made

McKitrick, asked that it be the 11th taken at this point in the proceedings. and a plea to get ready before next J. R. Murray, Winnipeg, declared tion for the honor done him and premseeding time were the main points the Association needed young men, ised to work for action along all lines clared that if the Government could Norman Lambert, Secretary of the urged by C. H. Burnell, Oakville, who but warned them against hasty and endorsed by the convention. He asked get money to loan they could just as Canadian Council of Agriculture, told moved a resolution from the political thoughtless action. He stated he was for the co-operation of every man and

The President announced for the ment had attracted the interest of all which will come sooner than most ex- it was in the fullest interests of de- information of the delegates that Mr. mocracy, He was, he said, opposed to McKenzie was a son of Roderick Mcthe amendment because it suggests Kenzie, a former secretary of the As- adjourned from the afternoon session. breaking down, there was no room for lasm, speakers, including W. R. Wood, that a platform be formed by a com- sociation, and one of the founders of The resolution was explained by

Wan! Ban Lifted

A resolution asking that no ban be left on the entrance of certain literanew; it was the policy based on the ed the motion for the adoption of the statement regarding "machine made Government Board of Censors for classifying "The History of Canadian Wealth" with German propaganda, was returned to the Resolution Committee to be re-drafted.

To Recompense Parents Mrs. John Dick, Winnipeg, urged for greater appreciation of those bereft of has a tendency to create a militaristic izing machinery through which the ther or not they were afraid to enter their sons through the war. She askciation was in its infancy Winnipeg that we ask them to resign," caused a Dominion Election Act the Federal list and since immediate action is imperative, the Board of Directors continue sion to speak and said he believed the sit would be reduced to a control of the Board of Canada should be reduced to a control of t

Ask Jury Trial for All Considerable enthusiasm was shown entry into Provincial politics. Bruce pass crooked legislation. "The farm- when the resolution for trial by jury period.

Edie, Springfield, who moved that it ers," he declared, "must get away before deportation under the Immigrafrom the partizan aspect of politics", tion Act was carried. The resolution adopted.

form before going into Provincial poli- "Whereas, under a recent amendments of foodstuffs particularly at the present time. He argued that ties, and this platform should be put ment of the Immigration Act. Canadian up to the Government and then if citizens may be deported without trial they fail to adopt it, united Provincial by jury, and whereas, the right which political action should be taken. is supposed to belong to all British D. G. McKenzie, Vice-President for citizens to the Habeas' Corpus writ, 1920, said the resolution failed to rec- may be denied them, and whereas we ognize the principle of establishment believe that such amendment is a menof a platform, and asked that before ace to the liberty of all Canadians, and Provincial action is taken the public an incitement to anarchy; be it therehave something to show them what fore resolved, that we ask that all perthe Association stands for. It should sons held under such amendment be be left to the people themselves, and granted trial by jury, and that the that in spite of any action of the con- amendment be repealed at the earliest

A general resolution expressing the Resolution to be Re-Drafted ada, and with the returned soldiers in The resolution was referred to a seeking favorable conditions of re-

be no compulsory training, and that the militia expenditure should not ex-Twenty-two men and women were ceed the pre-war figure; was introducnominated for the position of Presi- ed by Lieut.-Col. C. D. McPherson. Dedent. They were R. J. Avison, J. L. bate was adjourned till the ladies

J. B. Musselman, Secretary of the Saskatchewan Association would be audience that Saskatchewan was effi-The Movement Spreads

tario, stated that they expected to J. L. Brown, President of the As- This discussion, according to old have a farmers' convention in Quebec sociation, hose and declared, at the timers, indicated that supporters of next month. He told of a marvellous-

In accepting nomination H. English, bec. Mr. Caron is a director of the

The action of the Great War Veter-J. I. Brown was elected President ans' Association in regard to the gratother three candidates. The result of Chapman, Souris, stated in support, the vote was: J. L. Brown 345, H. that the G.W.V.A. was about to enter with the Farmers' Party, and stated Nominating ballot for Vice-President | that the boys should be supported in

Criticizes Settlement Policy

Lieut,-Col. C. D. McPherson of Portage la Prairie. It reads:

high rank are being retained on the "And whereas this policy is unnec-

essary, and particularly in view of the ly is economically extravagant and

committee for the effective prosecu- assumed the responsibility they Russell Velwood, that the request be staffs should be cut down, there the militia department expenditure should not exceed that of the pre-war

The resolution was unanimously



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