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Farm Women's Clubs

NOTE—Any woman in Saskatchewan who feels that she would like to have a Woman's Section of the Grain Growers' Association in her district, should communicate with the provincial secretary, Miss Erma Stocking, Delisle, Sask.

Any Alberta woman who would like a Woman's Section of the United Farmers in her district should write to Mrs. R. M. Barrett, Mirror, Alta., who is the woman's provincial secretary for Alberta.

REPORT OF U.F.W.A.

Dear Mrs. Barrett:—The following is a report of the work of our club for the three months of this year. At our January meeting (owing to the severe weather) we had only seven members present. Our delegate to the convention read her report of our work for the nine months since our club was organized. On February 9, fifteen were present at our meeting. At this meeting Mrs. Ross read her report of the convention. Congratulations were extended to Mrs. Ross on being put on the board of directors for Alberta. The matter of Red Cross Day, February 29, was taken up and it was decided that the club would do what it could to raise funds for that day. Thirty-three dollars was raised. The merchantmen turned their percentage over to us and the Willing Workers of the church donated five dollars, making a total of \$42.50, which we sent to the Red Cross Fund. On March 9, a splendid meeting was held with twenty-one ladies present. Thirty copies of the report of the Convention at Calgary were ordered for the members. The program for the rest of the year, which the secretary had made out, was submitted to the members and accepted. On March 24, a successful concert and play was put on in the Hall at Duhamel by the members of the U.F.W.A. and the U.F.A. and the sum of \$35.90 was realized.

MARY W. HAMTRY,
Secretary-Treasurer, U.F.W.A.
Duhamel, Alta.

A splendid showing for Duhamel U.F.W.A. Evidently the relations between merchants, church and farm women are what they ought to be when it comes to a worthy object—an example for many other places.

L. R. B.

PRairie Rose Homemakers

Eleven members were present at the February meeting of the Prairie Rose Homemakers Club which was held at the home of Mrs. W. Dever. On account of meeting at twelve o'clock a very dainty lunch was served by our hostess before the meeting was called to order. A motion was made and favored by all present to hold a basket social in the Bartholomew Schoolhouse on March 14, to auction off the quilt which the club members had been working at during the winter months.

Owing to the bad roads there was not a large crowd at the social, but those who did come spent their money so liberally that when the proceeds from the baskets and quilt were counted up there was ninety-two dollars, eighty-five dollars of which was sent to the Red Cross, the rest being kept for expenses. P. L. Craigen auctioned off the baskets and entertained the crowd with recitations after supper. The next meeting will be held at Mrs. Whipples.

M. B. (Club Reporter.)

A DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE

Having been elected to the office of director, district 1, at the last convention, I should like to get in touch with all locals wishing to form Women's Sections. If you have not a W.S.G.G.A., you should have, as it fills a long felt want. Our own women's section at Eyebrow has felt such work to be a success. We can discuss just anything that we desire, prohibition, gardening, pickles, the best methods of washing, management of children, the improvement of our rural schools, the franchise, and through our women's sections we can get our trained nurses stationed just where we desire, establish rest rooms and work for better communities. As the franchise is coming to us we must study political needs, not party needs, and as grain growers we must keep to principles. All of these matters we can discuss at our meetings and obtain a thorough understanding of them.

Last summer we bought our fruit cooperatively as it came into season and were well satisfied with the results. The women's section is also the social part of the Grain Growers' Association and members can arrange pleasant social evenings in the schoolhouse.

Well, I will tell you a lot more when

you ask me to come and organize a women's section. I hope to have a women's section wherever there is a men's in district No. 1, before 1917.

If you prefer, Mrs. Haight will come and organize your women's section or Mrs. Cooper on the G.T.P. Moose Jaw to Riverhurst, or another lady on the C.P.R. to Herbert will organize for you.

The only expenses to your local will be just the organizer's railway and hotel, expenses, or if she stays with some one there will not be hotel expenses.

Eyebrow. MRS. E. RIGGALIE,
Director, District 1.

A NEW WOMAN'S SECTION

Dear Miss Stocking:—I organized a woman's section in Zealandia on March 18. There were sixteen present and fifteen joined. They were very enthusiastic and I think will have a good association. Their first meeting will be spent in reading parts of the Year Book and Constitution. The roll call will be suggestions for a tasty dish for this spring. Mrs. Wilkie is president and Mrs. Dan Robinson is secretary. I enjoyed my trip very much and the ladies were very kind and interested in the work.

I think that it would be well to correct thru our official pages the impression that some have that the women's section is entirely apart from the men's local, also it should be understood that the expenses incurred by the director when organizing must be paid by the local or women's section asking for her assistance.

Sincerely, MRS. J. W. BOUTZ,
Harris. Director, District 6.

Our directors are doing excellent work and we hope that the associations in their various districts will co-operate with them in helping to organize women's sections. Railroad expenses can easily be raised by the association calling for a speaker, giving a concert or play at which funds may be raised.

E. A. S.

TO DISCUSS TREE PLANTING

Dear Miss Stocking:—The Pangman W.G.G.A. met in the rest room at the hotel on March 25, and a good number were present. A costume social is to be held in April, a prize to be given for the best "get up." Various committees were appointed.

Topics for discussion for the next meetings are "Tree Planting and Gardening." After this the meetings are to be held in the members' houses, the next to be at Mrs. Clews.

MRS. C. CLEWS,
Pangman, W. S.

The value of being organized is shown in a community when preparations are to be made for "good time" evenings. We like the idea of a paper being given on tree planting. Few, if any, communities have reached the limit of their possibilities in the way of tree planting. From one who is a lover of trees, and understands them as a mother does her child, your secretary has obtained directions for making a success of tree planting. Any association or member may have a copy of the paper by writing to Erma Stocking, Provincial Secretary, W.S.G.G.A., Delisle, Sask.

PROGRESSIVE CARD SOCIAL

Dear Miss Stocking:—The women's section of Smiley gave early in March a progressive card social and supper at Smiley. A large number were present and a very enjoyable social evening was spent. Prizes were given and cakes were sold. The proceeds were about \$23.00. At our last meeting on March 17, we decided to spend part of the money on having ground around the cemetery of Smiley prepared for trees.

Mrs. J. T. Vallance gave a very interesting paper on chicken raising. She is an authority on the subject, having graduated from an agricultural college in the States. Mrs. Fred Dette gave a pleasing solo, "Down by the Old Mill Stream." Since the last writing we had four new members.

MRS. E. E. SMILEY,
Secretary.



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