

# Manitoba

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## PORTAGE DISTRICT CONVENTION

Delegates from most of the twenty-two local branches comprising the Portage District Association of Manitoba Grain Growers met in convention in the Municipal Hall, Portage la Prairie, on December 17. President P. D. McArthur, Longburn, called the convention to order at 10:30 and the morning session was occupied by the usual routine business, including the reports from the district visitors to the different branch Associations. Jos. Bennett, Pine Creek, T. Zachary, Austin, B. Richardson, Beaver, F. C. Thompson, Golden Stream, all gave favorable reports.

C. H. Burnell, Oakville, reported for the committee on the "Marketing of Farm Produce," and recommended that the farmers ask for representation on the contributing committee of the Winnipeg Central Market. A resolution to that effect was passed by the convention at the afternoon session.

The president appointed Jas. McKenzie, T. Zachary and F. C. Thompson a resolution committee. When they reported, resolutions dealing with the following subjects were passed and will be forwarded to the Central Secretary to be dealt with at the convention at Brandon, January 7, 8 and 9: "Loading Platforms," "Winnipeg Grain Exchange Charter," "Warehouse Commissioner," "Grain Growers' Provincial Holiday," "Co-operative Buying and Selling," "Hail Insurance," "Weighing of Cars at Private Elevators," "Duplicate Sampling of Cars," "Shippers' Agent at Lake Front," "Railway Crossings," "Milling Test Plant for Manitoba," "Granting of Tax Exemption by Municipalities to Manufacturing Corporations," also a resolution endorsing the demands made by the Canadian Council of Agriculture to the Premier.

The officers for the District Association for 1914 were elected as follows: President, P. D. McArthur, Longburn; Vice-President, Jos. Bennett, Pine Creek; Secretary-Treasurer, C. H. Burnell, Oakville. The directors are the secretaries of each local branch Association.

C. McCuaig was appointed to register the delegates and reported eighty-eight delegates present.

The Grain Growers' association of Shadeland held their annual meeting on Saturday, December 13, in the Lorne school-house. President James Dudgeon occupied the chair. The financial report showed a balance on hand of \$57, with a membership of fifty-six on the list. The president read the constitution for the good of some of the members. A discussion was taken up on ordering supplies for the members of the Association and it was pointed out that the Association had done a very good business considering the lateness of commencing. One carload of apples was distributed and all were well pleased with the adventure, and no doubt co-operation will be gone into on a much larger scale next year. Jas. Dudgeon was unanimously re-elected President, and Wm. Leimgair, Vice-President. J. C. Smith resigned as Secretary-Treasurer, and Geo. W. Sandy was elected in his stead. After the election of officers Mr. Dudgeon resumed his position as chairman and said that he would do all in his power to further the interests of the Association. About twenty-five members renewed their membership for 1914, which is a very good commencement for another year.

## ROARING RIVER ANNUAL MEETING

The annual meeting of the Roaring River Grain Growers' association was held on Saturday, December 20, when the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, C. H. Spicer; Vice-President, Rbt. Richardson; Secretary, John Livesey; directors, F. Twilley, R. J. Walker, D. Reid, T. Martin, R. Ireland and A. Spicer.

It was a very enthusiastic meeting, and several new members joined the Association. It was decided to hold the annual social and entertainment on March 6, which promises to be a big success, as they have some fine local talent who would do credit to any city in Manitoba. A very interesting feature

of the next meeting will be a paper by the Vice-President, entitled "Why we allow the present conditions as affecting the masses to exist," to be followed by a discussion. The Secretary, John Livesey, was appointed to attend the convention at Brandon. A hearty vote of thanks was passed to the retiring President, T. Martin; Vice-President, R. Ireland, and the Secretary-Treasurer, David Reid.

## MARRINGHERST ANNUAL

We had a large attendance at our annual meeting, Friday, December 5. A resolution was passed fully endorsing the stand taken by the Canadian Council of Agriculture at Regina, on October 24, with the exception of the clause relating to the Sample Market at Winnipeg; copies of which are to be sent to Right Hon. R. L. Borden, Sir Wilfrid Laurier, and our own member. Another resolution was passed encouraging the idea of a sample market being established at Winnipeg. After the reports from the secretary and auditors, the following officers were elected for 1914: President, R. M. Wilson; Vice-President, J. W. Nelson; Secretary-Treasurer, W. M. Webb; Directors, W. Mickle, A. Young, W. Robinson, J. J. Elsey, R. Pierson and W. V. Saunders. Four delegates were nominated to attend the annual convention at Brandon. At the request of the meeting, our President, R. M. Wilson, gave us a review of the annual meeting of The Grain Growers' Grain company that was very attentively followed. We had thirty-seven members in 1913. Twenty-three paid their fees for 1914, two being new members, and we expect to be stronger this year than last. WM. M. WEBB, Sec.-Treas.

## GRAIN GROWERS' GUIDE

May I trespass on your space for a few remarks which may be helpful to our cause. I drove twenty-four miles to attend the Grain Growers' Lantern Lecture at Deloraine. I must say that I was more than pleased. The affair throughout was most ably conducted by Mr. Avison. The large hall was nearly filled with men, women and children, a goodly number of the business men of Deloraine were also among the audience. The cartoons and pictures thrown on the screen told a story impossible to tell in words. After the meeting a good business was done selling books and taking subscriptions for the Grain Growers' Guide and I heard a good many expressions of commendation after the meeting was over on this method of bringing those vital questions before the public.

Mr. Meneer gave a most telling address, and I am sure Deloraine will gladly welcome both men back again. I believe the lantern lectures will result in educating the people to a sense of the need of united action and set them thinking for themselves.

Incidentally let me mention that through an ad. in The Guide, four farmers and myself ordered twelve miles of fence from the Sarnia Fence Company, Sarnia, Ont., and saved several hundred dollars on the deal. I wish to recommend to my brother farmers who read The Guide, The Sarnia Fence Company. I can assure them of prompt shipment and a square deal, and a big saving. This Company has resisted enormous pressure to enter the combine, but manfully refused, and they deserve the trade of the Grain Growers throughout the West.

D. S. McLEOD.

Goodlands, Man.

The Valley River branch is making progress. This was clearly shown at the annual meeting held recently. The retiring president in reviewing events of the past year touched upon points of interest to the association, he referred to the good fortune of the branch in having received a visit from President Henders as well as from our director, R. J. Avison, and what an impetus their addresses and presence had given to our association. The vice-president, in the course of a carefully prepared address, alluded to the co-operative work of the branch, and raised the question of non-members participating in the benefits of the as-

sociation's buying, expressing the opinion that we should be lenient with them for a time, with the object ever in mind of these men later joining the movement.

The membership of the branch now numbers over sixty? Our co-operative buying has induced some farmers to join when other arguments have failed.

We have handled a great many of the necessities which our farmers have to buy, dried fruit, sugar, tea and other groceries, apples, by car lot. Our last deal was for 1200 lbs. of honey from Ontario. We have also dealt in formaline and fence wire. We did not buy binder twine by car lot this past year, as we were fooled by our local dealers into waiting on them for their quotations by the car until it was too late for us to buy elsewhere, but not thus another year. Neither does our branch deal in flour and feed, for we have an agency here of The Grain Growers' Grain Co. Ltd. which does a brisk business in these commodities.

Having found the key to organization, in co-operative buying of necessities, our branch aims to spread out and serve a still larger field the coming year. Our chief aim is not the saving of a few dollars to the members, but to have every farmer we can reach a member in good standing of the Manitoba Grain Growers' association, thus doing what we can to strengthen the movement, inspire our leaders and bring to a successful issue the reforms our association advocates and which the Canadian farmers so sorely need.

B. F. BOUGHEN,  
Secretary Valley River,  
M. G. G. Assn.

## CO-OPERATION AT HAMIOTA

E. W. McConnell, Co-operative Secretary of the Hamiota branch, writes: "Dear Sir, Re Co-operating in Many Lines, you have a misprint in your issue of December 17. You have 25,000 bushels of grain going through the elevator at Lavinia Siding, which should read 75,000 bushels. Will you kindly give us credit for full amount, as this looks small and is a wrong report?"

A new branch at Bellhampton was formed recently by Mr. McCuish. The new secretary writes that although there were not as many present as were expected they are not discouraged as they have good reason to think that once they get started they can prove it is an advantage to be a member, both socially and financially, and that many will be anxious to share with them the many advantages.

The annual meeting of the Binscarth Grain Growers' association was held recently with an attendance of about forty members. The financial statement showed a total of seventy-two paid up members. It was resolved to secure the flour required by members from the Echo Mills through the local association, this flour having always given satisfaction as to quality and price. The resolutions adopted by the Canadian Council of Agriculture were adopted with enthusiasm. The secretary was instructed to forward this resolution to the Hon. Dr. Roche and the Central Association. F. O. Orr was re-elected president, following a hearty vote of thanks for his past valued services. Wm. Creighton, vice-president, preferred not being re-elected, so the members regretfully accepted his resignation and nominated C. Honey to the vacancy. Wm. L. Johnson, secretary since inception, was re-elected, with Fred Rice, M. S. Scarth, H. V. Bailey, D. Hall, W. J. Turnbull and Wm. Broomfield the board of directors. Messrs. Bailey and Johnson were appointed delegates to the convention in Brandon.

## RESOLUTIONS ENDORSED

The resolutions adopted by the Canadian Council of Agriculture at its meeting in Regina, on October 24, 1913, have been strongly endorsed by the following branches: Ashville, Longburn, Empire, Marringhurst, Tenby, Springfield, Havelock, Grand Narrows, Lavinia, Oakhurst, Swan Lake, Springhill, Shoal Lake, Oak Lake, Blaris, Otterburne, Ninga, Pilot Mound, Shadeland, Point Douglas, Clandeboye, Germaine, Oakville, Oakburn. We expect a large endorsement of these resolutions, but owing to a number of our branches not having yet held their annual meeting, resolutions are late in coming in. Letters in regard to the above resolutions are still coming in, and we want those of our branches that have not yet reported to do so as soon as possible.

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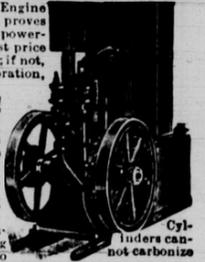
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