

company last year was only \$1,000, instead of \$2,000, as it had been in the past, and questions were asked as to the reason of this. T. A. Crerar, President, of The Grain Growers' Grain company, said the executive of the company had voted a grant of \$2,000 and in November he sent Mr. Green a check for \$1,000, with a letter saying that \$2,000 had been granted and the other \$1,000 would be forwarded in March. A delegate asked Mr. Green if he had received this letter and he said he had. The secretary's report was adopted.

C. E. Flatt, of Tantallon, reported upon the visit of the delegation representing the Organized Farmers' Associations to the government at Ottawa on December 16 last, which has previously been dealt with in The Guide. Addresses were then given by T. A. Crerar, who brought greetings from the Manitoba Grain Growers, and W. J. Tregillus, President of the United Farmers of Alberta, who expressed the good wishes of the Alberta friends.

#### Women's Auxiliaries Constituted

The way was now clear for the consideration of resolutions, and the first taken up was one to amend the constitution so as to provide for the establishment of Women's Auxiliaries. Mr. Green said the constitution at present made no distinction between men and women, allowing the ladies, if they wished, to become full regular members. Many of them felt, however, that there should be a special organization for the discussion of problems in which the women were especially interested, and these amendments would provide for them. The proposal was that where there were ten or more ladies in any branch of the Association, they might form a women's auxiliary, with a separate treasurer, and appoint delegates to a women's convention, such as was being held at this time in another building. The amendments were adopted unanimously.

A resolution in favor of having the election of all officers and directors on the last day of the convention was defeated, it being explained that such a rule would be impossible to carry out owing to the time required to print ballots and conduct the numerous elections.

The third resolution in the program was as follows: "Whereas the interlocking of directorates is liable to restrain the actions of our conventions, and whereas it is not considered wise that this, a non-partisan body, should have as directors members of the legislature or of Parliament; therefore, be it resolved, and it is hereby resolved that no one shall be eligible for membership on our central board of directors who is a member of the legislature, of Parliament, of the board of directors of The Grain Growers' Grain company, or of the board of directors of the Co-operative Elevator company, unless he agrees to withdraw within one year from such other position, and also that any director or executive officer accepting appointment to any of these positions shall immediately forfeit his office in this Association.

C. A. Dunning explained that this resolution had been framed by the Resolution Committee, and was a consolidation of a number of resolutions sent in by different locals. He did not know who the mover or seconder would be. No one seemed anxious to move this resolution and eventually Mr. Benson said he would move it so that it could be voted down without delay. The seconder expressed a similar wish. Another delegate moved an amendment, substituting a proposition that no shareholder or employee of any line elevator company, except the Saskatchewan Co-operative Elevator company, should be permitted to become a member of the Association; but the president ruled this out of order as not being an amendment.

#### Resolution Tabled

Mr. Powell then moved that the resolution be laid on the table. This was seconded and put, the president first explaining that a motion to table a resolution had the effect, if carried, of preventing discussion, unless later on the convention decided to take the resolution off the table and consider it.

The motion to table the resolution carried on a show of hands by a large majority. It was evident, however, that some delegates desired to discuss the question and W. H. Lilwall moved immediately afterwards that the resolution be taken up. This was lost by an overwhelming majority and the matter was then allowed to drop.



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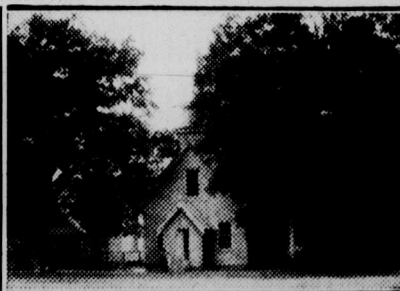
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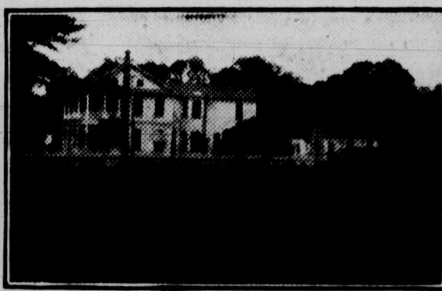
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