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Character Ball

A character and fancy dress ball was held in the Assembly Hall on Friday evening last and was well attended. The ball which was under the auspices of the Ward Choir was very successful, many of the costumes being excellent. Music for the dancing was provided by the Newton Orchestra.

Four prizes were given for the best costumes, two for ladies and two for gentlemen. The following were the prize winners:

Ladies—1. Miss Addie Robinson as Red Wing. 2. Mrs. Faith Young as a Spanish Dancing Girl.

Gentlemen—1. Mr. Douglas Oland as Bonnie Prince Charles. 2. Fred Best as a Mexican Cowboy.

Judges—Mrs. Wm. Walsey, M. Johnson and E. J. Wood.

The following are some of the costumes noticed:—

CHARACTERS

- Earl of Duffinbery—Ben Marsden.
- Spanish Bull Fighter—Leigh Young.
- French Prince—C. T. Magee.
- Two Little Girls in Blue—A. T. Henson and F. Burton.
- Uncle Sam—Harold Wood.
- Tark—R. Treggle.
- Roman Soldier—H. Brown.
- Quack Doctor—W. Ainscough.
- Punch and Judy—Harry Lee and Miss Leone Low.
- Danish Couple—Mr. and Mrs. Francis Nielson.
- George Washington 1st—Robt. May.
- George Washington 2nd—Phil Lyman.
- Indian—Jay Brown.
- Indian Chief—Van Brown.
- Sailor—Moroni Allen.
- John Bull—R. Workman.
- Cardston Milling Co.—Frank May.
- Japanese Lady—Mrs. Frank May.
- Vanity Fair—Mabel Henson.
- Cowboy Girl—Lita Brown.
- Folly—Lillian Duce.
- Dancing Girl—Alta Stoddard.
- School Girls—Beth Newton and Ida Archibald.
- School Girls—Lizzie Coombs and Leda Nielson.
- Gipsy Girl—Miss Elvira Reeder.
- Lady of the Revolution—Miss Edith Harker.
- Queen of the East—Miss Eunice May.

The proceeds of the dance were in aid of the Ward Choir, which contemplates going to Edmonton in May to attend the Musical Festival which is to be held there. The Character Ball will be remembered as one of the best in the history of the district and the committee in charge have reason to feel gratified with the success which rewarded their efforts.

Agricultural Society Purchases Grounds

At a meeting of the Agricultural Society held last Saturday, it was decided to purchase the property of Mr. Wm. Cleveland's, which is situated in the extreme west of town.

The Society will need the co-operation of the people in the purchasing of this property, and it is to be hoped that every citizen will respond handsomely when the call is made.

The officers of the society are to be commended for obtaining such a splendid site, and when the exhibition buildings are erected and the other arrangements complete Cardston will have the finest exhibition grounds in Sunny Southern Alberta.

Two Farmer's Societies Unite

Will Be Known As The United Farmers Of Alberta

The long looked for amalgamation of the Canadian Society of Equity and Alberta Farmers' Association was consummated in Edmonton last week and hereafter the united body will be known as the United Farmers of Alberta. The new organization has a membership of five thousand farmers, and James Bower, of Red Deer, was elected president; Rice Sheppard, Strathcona, Vice-president S. G. Fream, secretary. Remaining officers will be elected later.

C. N. R. COMING

Calgary, Jan. 14.—The Herald publishes a report that the C. N. R. will build to Calgary and then to Lethbridge, with a branch north of Lethbridge to Macleod. It says also that C. N. R. will take over for Macleod Cardston Railway, and will build a line from Macleod to the Crow's Nest Pass.

Cardston Agricultural Fair Association

To the Farmers and Business Men of the Cardston District

WE, the officers of the Cardston Agricultural Fair Association, solicit the aid and support of the farmers and business men of the Cardston District.

WHY? Because a good agricultural fair held in this district each year is a necessity. It is not necessary to argue this point, it is a fact.

Four years ago we had no association. Today you have an Association that has held three successful fairs each one larger than the last. All prize money has been paid up and no assistance has been asked for outside of the association though the association started in without one cent in the treasury.

In addition to this we have held Seed Fairs and Standing Grain Competitions and have paid the prize money upon all. Can you afford to let this good work drop? Why do we now ask for assistance?

Because the fair has outgrown our expectations and must have a permanent home.

We have no place in which to hold another fair. The entry of exhibits at the fair in 1908 was 867 and if there is a further increase in 1909 we have no place to put the exhibits.

We have been, for some time, face to face with this alternative, either to abandon the fair or to buy grounds and build suitable buildings on these grounds.

We are the only association that does not possess grounds though we receive one of the biggest entries in the province.

This association holds a fall fair, winter seed fairs and standing grain competitions. Can you afford to let all these drop?

It will also hold Horticultural Shows and Poultry Shows as well as institute meetings.

It is the aim and object of this association to keep the farmer to the front. The business prospers when the farmers prosper.

So rather than abandon all that we have done we have purchased a fine location for a fair ground at Cardston. We ask you to aid yourselves in aiding us to pay for it. The ground belongs to you.

This fair ground is not the property of the officers of the Association but the property of the Cardston District.

The officers of the association are elected every year. When the present officers step down and out at the end of the year and a new set of officers step in these latter are elected for one year and assume control. The old officers make no profit and take nothing with them.

No individual, individuals or clique owns this fair ground, it is the property of the people of the Cardston District.

The officers of the association have purchased the ground and have assumed responsibility for the payment but they cannot own it belongs to the people.

If you subscribe to the association you subscribe to what is your own.

If you wish to support a fair and an association that will be a credit to your district subscribe and help us. There is no limit to your subscription that we solicit, either large or small. You may give us anything from a cent to a thousand dollars, all will go into the treasury and nothing will be refused.

Help yourselves by helping the association and let us all pull together. Give us something even if it is only a mite.

Alberta Provincial Seed Fair

Arrangements are completed for the Third Annual Provincial Seed Fair for 1909, which will be held in the C. M. R. Drill Hall, Calgary, on February 3rd, 4th and 5th, under the auspices of the Provincial Department of Agriculture, assisted by the Seed Branch of the Dominion Department of Agriculture. The prizes to be given to grain growers are said to be the best ever offered at any western seed fair. For Alberta Red Winter Wheat, Banner Oats, and any other good milling variety of oats, cash amounting to \$80.00 in each class is offered, divided into \$20.00, \$15.00, \$12.00, \$8.00 and \$5.00 prizes. The money offered for Red Fife Spring Wheat, any other hard variety of Spring Wheat, and any short or feed variety of Oats totals \$52.00, divided into \$18.00, \$14.00, \$10.00, \$6.00 and \$4.00 prizes. For any soft variety of Spring Wheat the prizes are \$15.00, \$12.00, \$8.00 and \$5.00, \$30.00 is offered for both the two and six rowed varieties of Barley, divided into \$15.00, \$10.00 and \$5.00 prizes. The prize list also provides for prizes for Peas, Flax Seed, Timothy Seed, Brome Grass, Red Clover Seed, Alsike Clover Seed and Alfalfa. In each of these classes the total amount offered is \$25.00, divided into \$12.00, \$8.00 and \$5.00 prizes. Prizes are also offered for competitions in judging Wheat, Oats, and for the identification of Weed Seeds as follows:—\$10.00, \$5.00 and \$3.00.

The \$100.00 silver trophies offered for the best 5 bushels of Spring Wheat, Alberta Red Wheat, any variety of milling Oats and for six-rowed Barley, are specially attractive. The trophy for Spring Wheat is donated by the Farm Crops Magazine of Winnipeg. It was first won in 1908 by J. C. Vosburgh of Granum, but must be won three times before it finally becomes the property of the exhibitor. The publishers of this Magazine supplement the trophy with a cash prize of \$50.00 to the winner, \$30.00 second and \$20.00 3rd. The trophy for Alberta Red Winter Wheat is donated by the Alberta Pacific Elevator Company of Calgary, for milling Oats by the Calgary and Strathcona Branches of the Braekman-Ker Milling Company, and the trophy for the best 5 bushels of six-rowed barley by the Calgary Brewing and Malting Company. Each trophy must be won three times before it finally becomes the property of the exhibitor.

In addition to the above prizes the Canadian Seed Growers' Association offers prizes totalling \$250.00 in cash to the members of that Association resident in Alberta.

In order to place all the exhibitors on an equal basis, the Department refunds all express or freight charges in excess of 50¢ except in special classes, where the charges over \$1.00 will be refunded.

A programme of interesting lectures relative to grain growing will be delivered at the time of the Fair by capable speakers. Arrangements are being made with the railways whereby convention rates will apply to all those attending the exhibition.

Prize lists can be procured by making application to the Department of Agriculture, Edmonton.

The Winnipeg bonspiel opens this year on February 10. It promises to be the greatest curling carnival for years.

Cardston Grain Wins Prizes At Lethbridge Seed Fair

1st. in Alberta Red—1st. in Rye—1st. in Brome Grass
—1st. in Brome Grass Seed

Four 1st. prizes out of six entries is not too bad for Cardston. This is what happened at the Seed Fair held in Lethbridge on Saturday last. The entries from Cardston were made by Mr. Arthur Perry, and brought four 1st. prizes. The Alberta Red, wheat tested 66 pounds to the bushel and scored 92½ points out of a possible hundred.

This wheat averaged sixty bushels to the acre for twenty acres. Rye, test 16½ pounds. Brome grass, test 15½ pounds. Brome grass seed, test 13½ lbs.