Farm Women's Clubs

NOTE.—Any woman in Sankatchewan who feels that she would like to have a Woman's Section of the Grain Growner' Association in her district, should communicate with the provincial secretary, Massivans Stocking, Delbais, Sank.

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.

A COMMUNITY LAUNDRY

Are there any community laundries on the prairie? I have not heard of them, but there are such laundries, organized by clubs of women and run successfully, in country districts. In the first place a community laundry is a laundry run without profit to anyone but the women who establish it. If a club of women start it, then only the club members are feel to the tother women may send who establish it. If a club of women start it, then only the club members profit by it, but other women may send their washing.

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The advantage of having the washing and part of the ironing done away from home appeals to both men and women, and it could be managed. In the first place, choose a place for the laundry that will cost as little as possible. If you have a creamery it would be advisable to run the laundry in connection with it. If not, perhaps you have a basement in your club house that could be utilized. If not rephans there is some other ulace club house that could be utilized. If not, perhaps there is some other place that could be fitted up at a small cost. The equipment is the next problem. A committee of women should be appointed to investigate this matter and report on the cost, laid down, of the tubs, the wringers, the drain pipes put in, the mangle, the engine and the stove, as well as the wages of the man or woman who would run it.

In one district the woman who had gone around from house to house washing was chosen to do the work, and did it well. The washing was collected by the wagons that called for the children to take them to the consolidated school. The laundry was near the school and the parcels were again delivered by the same means.

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The payment for equipment was made in ten equal payments, and by charging a reasonable amount for the laundry work done for outsiders there was enough money made by the laundry to pay for the equipment. The members of the club paid only half as much for their laundry as the women not members, and in the case mentioned there were enough non-members patronized the laundry to make it pay for itself. This would not always be the case.

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The mangle ironed all the sheets and table cloths and towels, in fact, all the fat things were returned home beautifully washed and ironed and folded, at much less than half the cost of having them washed at a regular laundry, and at less than a regular laundry price to those who were not members but patronized the bandry.

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One woman said she did her sewing in the time she had formerly devoted to washing and ironing, and she considered that she had made money, because the garments made were cheaper and wore better than the ready-mades she had been accustomed to buy.—Selected.

PURCHASSE BUILDING

Altho vou have not heard from us for some time, we are still "up and do-ing." I am pleased to report that the members of Wynyard Grain Growers. members of Wynyard Grain Growers' Association have purchased a building that was formerly used as a boarding house, It has been remodelled, and we have a delightful reat room fitted up upstairs. There is also a kitchen and other conveniences. This is where we hold our meetings, the men using the downstairs part. After each meeting we serve a ten-cent lunch, the proceeds of which keep our treasury deposits on the increase.

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more before the end of the year. We
have started a library by each member
donating as many books as they could
afford, and one of the members has
been appointed librarian. We try to
have one of the members prepare a
paper on a subject of special interest
at each meeting, as this makes the
meetings more interesting. In June a
joint meeting was held to make arrangements for our annual Grain Growers' picnic, which was held on the shore
of Hig Quill Lake. of Big Quill Lake.

A committee has been appointed to look after the welfare of the soldier's

ives and children in this community We have made an autograph quilt with some two hundred and eighty-eight names on it. We have sold two hundred tickets at twenty-five cents each on this quilt, which will be disposed of by raffle. The proceeds from the sale of tickets will be donated to the Red Cross fund.

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On June 3, the Rev. Wm. McCoy at-tended our meeting and suggested the idea of an annual union church service to be held for the Grain Growers. The to be held for the Grain Growers. The idea was heartily endorsed by the members, and a committee was appointed who worked with the ministers of the several local churches, so that on July 9 the first annual Grain Growers' church service was held in the Good Templars' Hall.

MRS J. P. SHINNERS

Templars' Hall.

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Sec., Wynward W.S.G.G.A.

We are heartily grateful to the Wynyard secretary for sending such an excellent report. Other associations cannot help but find it full of encouragement, 'That is a fine idea about serving the ten-cent teas, especially if the men partake of the good things and also put in their ten cents. One of the best and easiest ways to get the co-operation of the men members seems to be to serve a good lunch. The idea co-operation of the men members seems to be to serve a good lunch. The idea of a Grain Growers' church service is one that other associations might well endorse and follow suit. It might be possible to set a special date for the province and have a special service held wherever there were enough Grain Growers to attend.—E. A. S.

INVESTIGATING TWILIGHT BLEEP

The members of the Dilke Womer Grain Growers' Association are work Grain Growers' Association are working along lines that mark their society a progressive one. Mrs. A. M. McCord, their reporter, in a very interesting letter writes that their last meeting was held in the dining room of the Dilke Hotel, with Mrs. Obbourne, their president, in the chair. A letter was read from the minister of education in answer to one regarding women trustees. The members were disappointed to find that women must be ratepayers to be eligible, and as few women are rate eligible, and as few women are rate-payers, the matter had to be postponed until the legislature sees fit to allow

payers, the matter had to be postponed until the legislature sees fit to allow women to become registered as ratepayers in lieu of the fact that they should be called property owners because of their dower rights in the piece of land on which the home is situated. The question of a hospital at Dilke was discussed, and the members have instructed the secretary to write to Dr. Seymour, Regina, for information.

A letter was read, entitled "Woman's Right to Twilight Sleep." The members were all interested, and instructed the secretary to obtain the book, "Twilight Sleep." Mrs. McCord also writes that the members wish more information regarding the \$25 paid every woman at childhirth, to procure necessary comforts for herself and bahe. The members are up with the times and are going to have instruction in first aid. Ten minute chats will be given by Mrs. Laurie Link, a graduate of the St. Ten minute chats will be given by Mrs. Laurie Link, a graduate of the St. John's Ambulance Society, England.

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A demonstration on canning greens was given at this meeting by one of the members, and all were asked to sample the canned greens, which proved excellent. Lunch was served at the close of this very interesting meeting by two of the members. The association boasts a membership of no less than twenty-four. We wish them continued success in their work.—E. A. S.

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Dear Miss Stocking:—Enclosed please find post office order for \$23, the proceeds of a picnic; from the Pearl Lake men and women Grain Growers, for the Red Cross Society. I am also enclosing a paper read at our meeting on "Butter Making." We all thought it very good.

MISS K. MAIN, Sec., Pearl Lake W.S.G.G.A.





