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Farm Women's Clubs

SASK. W.S.G.G.A.

The notice regarding farm women's clubs on this page must be doing good missionary work. Every mail brings a request from somebody for literature on how to organize. Letters of live interest, too, are coming in from a local secretary or some member. The greatest number are asking the same question: "Shall we vote at the federal election?" At the date of writing the question has not been settled. I am going to ask our editor to give the latest information on this page, as she can give so much later news than I.

Our Plan of Work

May I remind our members that they have a splendid staff of officers in charge of the various lines of work taken up by the Women Grain Growers. In making up your winter program remember that they stand ready to give all possible assistance.

Mrs. Haight, our vice-president, will give you all information on the different franchises which we enjoy. Mrs. C. E. Platt will tell you all about the present prohibition plans, social and moral reform. She is our representative on the Social Service Council of Saskatchewan. Mrs. McAllan, of Dismore, has charge of all our work in connection with the young people. She wants to hear from you. Mrs. McNeal, of Expanse, is a specialist in the matter of labor-saving devices. She tests out herself all that she recommends.

Space will not permit me to give the whole list, but if you do not possess our "Plan of Work" please send me a line and I will mail you a copy. All this work is mapped out at the Women Grain Growers' convention. You send your delegates to help line up the W.G.G.A. activities. Your officers are doing their part. We want first-class reports to show our next convention the progress we have made. If we do not succeed in "making farm life more attractive" and "elevating the standard of living in the rural communities" then we shall fail in our mission. We are not going to fail, but our success as a whole depends on the efforts of each individual local. I want to hear from every local secretary—even if only a hurried line.

VIOLET McNAUGHTAN.

MRS. BLADES OF BATTLEFORD

Director district No. 11, W.G.G.A. writes that she is feeling discouraged that there are so few women's sections in her district. She says that many women are joining the men in the local G.G.A., but either have a Homemakers' Club which fills their need, or are unable to maintain distinctly women's meetings. Mrs. Blades may feel that her work is very effective whichever way the women join the G.G.A. That is why we have the different methods of joining. In scattered country districts, where one women's club is doing good work, it is not often advisable to duplicate such work. The women members will probably help along the social and educational activities of the local G.G.A. and in this way do their part towards building up this great farmers' organization.

WEIGH BOTH PARTIES

Trenton Women Grain Growers are doing splendid work. Moreover, they do it with business methods. Their secretary, Mrs. Hanson, sends in a splendid annual report accompanied by a correctly drawn up financial statement showing total receipts for the year \$463.75 and expenditure \$333.75, most of the money being donated to the Red Cross or Belgian Relief funds.

Under the auspices of the Women Grain Growers' Association a very successful bazaar and concert was held on June 8 at the Trenton school. The people of the district turned out en masse. Quite a number came from Imperial, a few from Girvin, some from Bladworth and several from Davidson. Three stalls were erected in the school. These were tastefully decorated with the flags of the Allies and presented a very attractive display of articles for sale. The candy stall

was laden with home-made sweetmeats of great variety, boxes of chocolates and the inevitable "gum." The refreshment booth built outside supplied ice-cream, lemonade, sandwiches, cake, tea and coffee to the thirsty and hungry crowds.

Mrs. J. D. Christie, district director of the W.G.G.A. delivered an address which dealt chiefly with the women's franchise. Mrs. Christie impressed upon the ladies present their obligation to do their own thinking in regard to politics. "Weigh both parties," she said, "and choose the party which you believe will bring about the most good to the community." Mrs. Christie organized the local branch a year ago and expressed her pleasure at finding it in such a flourishing condition. The gross receipts amounted to \$414.80 and expenses totalled \$53.30. The sum of \$297.25 is being forwarded to the Belgian Relief fund and the balance will be used for a later effort on behalf of the Red Cross Society.

PATRIOTIC CARSTAIRS

Mrs. Lucas, secretary of the Carstairs U.F.W.A. sends the following very encouraging report:—The U.F.A. and the U.F.W.A. held a picnic recently in aid of the Military Y.M.C.A. and from the proceeds were able to send for that worthy cause a cheque for \$547. Our Local, No. 48 U.F.W.A. sent \$20 to the Red Cross in June. Besides these patriotic activities Carstairs had a Red Cross sports day, and in connection with this had an auction sale of farm produce, fancy work, livestock and poultry. From the sale they cleared more than \$500 and the net proceeds of the day amounted to \$1142. This is not a part of our U.F.W.A. work, but it gives you an idea of what this district is doing for the various Red Cross and patriotic causes. Since the first of May our association has made 20 dozen articles for the Red Cross. We get our work from Calgary all cut out.

We have a co-operative store in Carstairs and a co-operative egg circle. Our co-operative merchant handles the eggs for us at a cent per dozen and the entire system is giving excellent satisfaction.

\$2,500 FOR RED CROSS

On June 6 Mrs. Gayman from the Alderside Local at Okotoks gave a cheese demonstration at the home of the president, Mrs. Widdup, when 68 persons were present. The cheese is now ready for use and has been donated to the Cayley branch of the Red Cross to be sold on August 23 at 25 cents a portion. On July 12 this district made a special effort for the Red Cross. Our U.F.A. and U.F.W.A. worked hard and willingly and gave liberally. Men were chosen in the several districts to go around and canvass. All the organizations in the district co-operated in donating farm machinery, livestock, poultry and all kinds of things to make up an auction sale, and from this one great pull-together realized \$2,500 for the Red Cross. The members of our organization are planning to have a library this fall and we are corresponding with Miss Montgomery of Edmonton about this undertaking. Our president has been trying her best to have this all her term and I do hope it will be satisfactory.

MISS STIRLING,
Secy. Cayley U.F.W.A.

The women of the Tweedyside G.G.A. have organized a Women's section with 20 members. Mrs. Andrew Crozier was elected president and Miss Eva Mainland secretary. I had the pleasure of visiting Tweedyside last spring, where I was told that there was only one person in the community who was not a member of the G.G.A. Good for Tweedyside!

A number of requests have come asking me to speak at various meetings. Mrs. Haight, our vice-president, has taken over a good deal of the president's duties. I will be glad to speak wherever my work as secretary will allow me, but please call on Mrs. Haight first.

V. McN.