

# Big Ben

A Westclox Alarm



6 a.m.—

There's Success in His Wake

**B**IG BEN at six a. m. for the big man of business—who knows the luxury of ample time—who's up before duty insists. Try Big Ben in the business of living. Set him a little ahead.

To get your salary up, a year of Big Ben get-ups is better than a pull

with the boss. You'll like Big Ben face to face. He's seven inches tall, spunky, neighborly—down-right good.

Big Ben is six times factory tested. At your dealer's, \$2.50 in the United States, \$3.50 in Canada. Sent prepaid on receipt of price if your dealer doesn't stock him.

Westclox talks build more than three million alarms a year—and build them well. All wheels are assembled by a special process—patented, of course. Result—accuracy, low friction, long life.

LaSalle, Ill., U.S.A. Western Clock Co. Makers of Westclox  
Other Wonders: Baby Ben, Pocket Ben, America, Bingo, Blue-Moon, Locket and Locket

## Our February Discounts Mean Tremendous Savings

And these discounts we are offering today mean to you a saving of from 50% to 60% on next season's values. The sales of unmanufactured furs in the principal fur markets of the world warrant us in saying so—for they show just such advances as we have indicated—and prices which rule today in unmanufactured furs for a twelvemonth—and bear in mind, too, that Fairweather's Furs are being shown today in styles that will be the vogue next season and are sold to you with an absolute guarantee.

### Men's Fur Coats

**Black Dog-Lined Coats**, with Russian Otter notch collars and fine soft Black Dog linings. Black Kersey cloth shell. Regular \$45.00, for **\$28.50**  
**Silver Wombat Coats**, very durable wearing fur, deep shawl collar, lined with heavy quilted linings, reinforced at all strain points. Special Clearing at **\$35.00**  
**Mountain Bear and Yukon Beaver Coats**. Very warm, inexpensive coats. Special value at \$35.00. Clearing at **\$27.50**  
**Ooon Coats**, made from dark, uniform skins, lined with good quilted farmers' satin with high storm collar. Regular \$85.00, for **\$59.00**  
**Fine Dark Hair Beaver Coat**, with select natural Labrador Otter shawl collar. Lined with high-grade skinner satin. Regular \$350.00, for **\$233.50**  
**Natural Muskrat Lined Coats**, in good wearing black cloth shells, collar and lapels of Russian Otter. Regular \$45.00, for **\$33.50**

### Ladies' Fur Coats

**Ladies' Dropped Muskrat Coats**, in beautiful stripe effect, with deep border, extra wide storm collar, lined with best quality **\$133.50**  
**Fur-Lined Coats**, with good black broadcloth tailor-made shells, Muskrat lining, fine Mink or Alaska sable collar and lapels or shawl styles. Worth \$125.00, for **\$62.50**  
**Muskrat Coats**, 50 inches long, made from backs of dark, pliable skins; high blizzard storm collar, deep cuffs. Heavy satin linings of best grade. Regular \$125.00, for **\$87.50**

### Fur Sets

**Fine Mink Marmot Set**, stole in wide shoulder effect, trimmed with heads, tails and paws. Large pillow muff trimmed to match. Set, Reg. \$19.50, for **\$13.00**  
**Natural Wolf Sets**, including large two-skin stole with natural trimming. Fancy pillow muff to match. Reg. \$23.00, for **\$22.00**  
**Red Fox Sets**, Stoles in shaped and straight animal effect. Trimmed with heads, tails and paws. Silk and fur lining. Fancy or round muff to match. Regular \$50.00, for **\$33.50**

### MAIL ORDER GUARANTEE

We insist that you be absolutely satisfied. If desired, goods will be shipped C.O.D., subject to your approval. If they are not entirely satisfactory when they arrive, return them at our expense—we pay charges both ways.

**Fairweather & Co. Limited**

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## The Women's Convention

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### Work of Equal Franchise Board

Mrs. F. Lawton, president of the Provincial Equal Franchise Board, sketched briefly the work of the board during the past year, and indicated what she considered would be practical lines of work for the future.

Altho the Equal Franchise Board had decided not to enter into any very active work until after the war, the importance of the referendum on the liquor stores last fall had caused them to depart from this resolution and to put an organizer in the field for two months. Mrs. Lawton was deeply gratified by the result of that campaign.

She spoke of the necessity of working for the Federal franchise and to get women on school and fair boards.

### Resolutions Passed

Resolutions were brought before the convention and passed as follows:

Resolved, that medical certificates of health be required by both sexes before a marriage license be issued.

Resolved, that legislation be asked for granting the franchise to women.

Resolved, that the Women Grain Growers' Association undertake to get more efficient help for farm women.

Resolved, that each women's section of the Grain Growers' Association endeavor to co-operate with their municipality in acquiring a district nurse.

Resolved, that we, the Women Grain Growers, ask that the Department of Education make compulsory the proper fencing of school grounds as a protection for children in stormy weather.

Resolved, that this convention put itself on record as condemning the Hudson Bay Company for shipping liquor into Saskatchewan against the well known public opinion of the province, and that it regards the conduct of this company as a rank act of discourtesy in continuing the sale of intoxicants.

Resolved, that whereas those who die intestate cause unnecessary suffering to those left behind, that this convention suggest that making wills be discussed by Women's Sections.

Resolved, that whereas three children lost their lives in the Qu'Appelle district at a time of storms because of having to use outdoor closets, that the Women's Sections endeavor to interest school boards in establishing sanitary closets.

Whereas there is a lamentable lack of medical aid and nursing facilities in rural districts, and, whereas, great difficulty is being experienced in overcoming the situation; therefore, in order, that definite knowledge may hasten the remedy, be it resolved that we request the provincial government to make an immediate survey of existing conditions and give the widest publicity to the report.

Whereas, the loss to the nation incurred by the sale of eggs and poultry of an inferior quality amounts to many millions of dollars, and, whereas, our province is now in a position to more adequately supply the great demand for poultry and eggs; therefore, be it resolved, that we ask for Dominion legislation requiring the sale of eggs and poultry on a quality basis.

Resolved, that this convention request the Extension Department of the University to take up the matter of loaning to rural districts pocket libraries, material for debates, outlines for studies and lantern slides.

Resolved, that the best interests of our children, community, province and Empire can best be served by granting the municipal franchise to the wives and daughters of ratepayers.

Resolved, that legislation be asked for granting homesteads to women.

Resolved, that medical examinations be enforced in schools.

Resolved, that the Department of Education be requested to amend teachers' contracts and regulations so as to require the attendance of the teacher during the noon hour.

Resolved, that the Grain Growers' Association urge the establishment of co-operative bakeries and laundries and that the co-operative elevator companies be asked to consider the matter in connection with using the power from their elevators.

### Election of Officers

By a very flattering unanimous vote of the convention Mrs. J. McNaughtan, of Piche, was returned to the office of president, tho she at first refused to stand, feeling that perhaps a change of officers would be better. Mrs. S. V. Haight was also returned to the office of first vice-president.

Directors were appointed as follows: 1, Mrs. Morgan, Aquadell; 2, Mrs. Klink, Pangman; 3, Mrs. G. E. Noggle, Estevan; 4, Mrs. Ida McNeal, Expanse; 5, Mrs. Bowen, Wapella; 6, Mrs. Robertson, Zealandia; 7, Mrs. W. H. Frith, Birmingham; 8, Mrs. D. J. Christie, Bladworth; 9, Mrs. Alex. Wallace, Guernsey; 10, Mrs. M. Rooke, Togo; 11, Mrs. Blades, Battleford; 12, Mrs. W. H. Gange, Prince Albert; 13, Mrs. B. R. Pratt, Senlac; 14, Mrs. Mitchell, Neidpath; 15, Mrs. Hollis, Shaunavon; 16, Mrs. Taylor, Dinsmore.

Directors at large: Mrs. F. Riggall, Eyebrow; Mrs. C. Flatt, Tantallon; Mrs. F. E. Shepherd, Stalwart.

### EDUCATIONAL LEAGUE CONVENTION

Following the precedent of so many organizations the Political Educational League of Manitoba held its annual convention during bonspiel week when so many people were gathering into the city for other purposes.

Representatives were present from Roaring River, Cypress River, Holland, Elmwood, Central, St. Johns, Laura Secord, Weston and Port Rouge Branches.

The treasurer's report showed that \$1,228.08 were taken in during the year and that there had been an expenditure of \$935.03, leaving a balance in the bank of \$273.05.

The presidents of the different branches presented reports of the work of their societies for the past year, and the report of the work of the Winnipeg District Executive was presented by Mrs. Luther Holling.

The convention went on record as being absolutely opposed to limiting the franchise to Canadian and British born women.

Resolutions were passed endorsing National Service, asking for the equalizing of pensions, that intoxicants be removed from the reach of Canadian soldiers overseas, and to urge upon the government the necessity of establishing and maintaining homes for returned soldiers who had no one to depend upon for care.

Officers for the year were elected as follows: President, Mrs. Luther Holling; First Vice-president, Mrs. M. Stockwin, Holland; Second Vice-president, Dr. A. G. Sinclair; Recording Secretary, Mrs. James Munroe; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. E. M. Harrison; and Treasurer, Mrs. F. H. Paulley. Dr. Mary Crawford and Mrs. A. V. Thomas were appointed to the Dominion equal franchise board.

### SUFFERING IN BELGIUM

A picture of suffering in Belgium can be drawn by contrasting the Prussian display of pomp and luxury with the misery and dejection of the Belgians. The chief circumstances of the day to these poor people is the hour when they assemble to draw their scant rations, three slices of bread and a bowl of soup. This is at once their breakfast, dinner, tea and supper—just enough to keep them from starvation. Mr. Gray, a member of the Relief Commission in Belgium, feeling ashamed of the fact that he was getting better food than the people he was there to help, decided that he would live on regular canteen fare. He began to draw his rations with the rest of the population, and stayed with it for just one week. At the end of that time he had lost more than five pounds in weight, and he was so undernourished that he was reduced to about 50 per cent. of efficiency. However, with seven millions to feed the present rations cannot be increased. Indeed, they will have to be reduced unless all do their utmost to help out Belgium during these darkest days of her history. Everybody not bearing arms should make some sacrifice. Send another contribution to the Belgian Relief Fund, 290 Garry Street, Winnipeg, or thru The Guide, and it will be duly acknowledged.