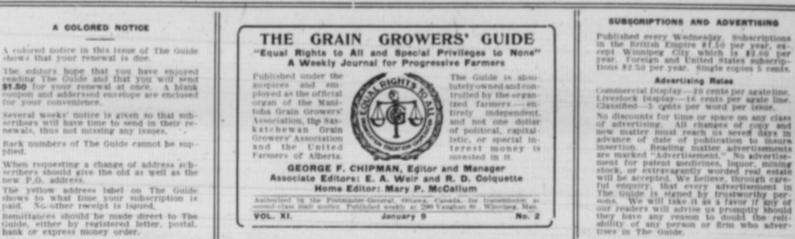
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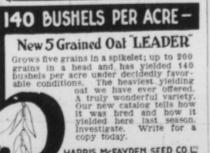
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The Farmers' Parlia-ments promise to be big-ger and better this year than ever. The first of these is being held this week in Bran-don. A full report of this great conven-tion will appear in next week's Guide. The next provincial convention will be that of the United Farmers' of Alberta which meets in Calcary from Lanuar which meets in Calgary from January 22-25. The Saskatchewan Grain Grow-ers' Association convention will meet in Regina from February 12-15. Ar-rangements have been made to have three representatives of The Guide pres-ent at each of these convertions and ent at each of these conventions, and full reports both of the men's and women's sections will be published in the issue of the week following each of the conventions

The Farmers' Parlia

After The Guide Seed Fair the winners were asked to outline the methods by which their prize winning samples were grown. There was a splendid response to this request, practically every prize-winner outlining his methods in detail. A few of these letters are published in this issue and others will follow at in-tervals. It will be noted by a perusal of the articles that the success of the competitors was not due to chance but a good farming practice. In practic-ally every case where a grain grower gets into the prize money in strong competition, it is the result of special care in cultivation and selection. Suc-pation, depends almost altogether on careful, intelligent attenton to details in all operations pertaining to it.

The Good Roads movement is spread-ing rapidly through Western Canada. In this issue an outline of the work that has been done by the Wallace muni-cipality in Manitoba is given. As will be seen, the work is rapidly nearing ompletion and when the system is com-pleted every farmer in the municipality will be within two miles of an im-proved modern highway. There are several municipalities in Manitoba which have done equally-creditable work in improving their country roads and sometime we hope to have an oppor-tunity of outlining what some of them have accomplished. What has been

accomplished in Wallace can be dupli-cated in any well settled municipality. Good roads pay. There is no more ex-pensive luxury than bad roads. The work is receiving encouragement from the provincial governments, and the time is not far distant when the West-eru provinces will have country roads equal to any on the continent.

Apple growing in the western pro-vinces is a question that never fails to arouse interest wherever it is discussed. There have been many disappointing failures in producing apples on the prairies but there have also been some encouraging successes. Among those who have been successful is A. P. Stevenson, of Morden, Man. He has been experimenting continuously for 44 years in the West. The results of all these years of experience are summed up in his article, "Apple Growing in Manitoba." By following his advice many of the disappointments incident to apple growing may be avoided.

The returns from the \$10,000 Bigger Vields Campaign that is being con-ducted by The Guide is not only satis-fying, it is inspiring. The fact that farmers throughout the West — men worth from \$20,000 to \$50,000—are sending in large reports covering as many as forty subscriptions on a single order is proof conclusive that the farm-ers are aware of the benefits to be de-rived fom the use of superior seed grain. We know of no one thing that gives us more pleasure than to note that the farmers throughout the West have learned this most important fact in connection with their agricultural oper-ations. Let the good work continue.

Our request for contributions on mat-ters pertaining to farm life and work has met with encouraging response. The publication of the articles re-ceived will begin in an early issue. They are full of ideas that have been put to the test of practical farm experience. Watch for them. They are sure to contain just the information that you have been looking for.

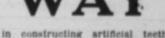
Cash prizes will be given for contributions from The Guide readers on subjects pertaining to farm life and work. These ontributions should preferably contain not more than 600 words, but well written articles will be accepted should they exceed this length. They should be written on one side of the page roly. For the best contribution on each subject a prize of \$3.00 will be given; for the second best, \$2.03, and others that are pub-lished will be paid for at the usual contributors rates. Contributions on the following subjects should be posted not later than January 15. Should he Western farmer put up lee? When is the best time to cut it? Whas insolation do you use? What kind of place do you store it in? How much is sufficient for the needs on the average farm?

Every home has some conveniences which the woman of the house conceived and which the man of the house built. If might be a set of shelves under the chimney in the kitchen, or a special place to keep the cream cool, or a dumb waiter, or a handy kind of flour-bin in the pantry, or any one of a dozen things in your own home. Write to The Guide and tell us about it.

Give your experience in growing alfalfa, with special emphasis on your 1917 experience. Have you noticed any ill effects from feeding alfalfa hay to horsesT

Tell how you grew your shelter belt, offering any suggestions arising out of your experience for the guidance of other farmers in growing





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