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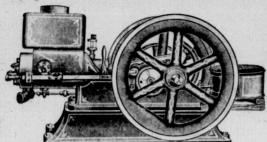
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This Section of The Guide is conducted for the Manitoba Grain Growers' Association by B. C. Henders, President

CONVENTION CALL

The eleventh annual convention of the Manitoba Grain Growers' association will be held in the City Hall, in Brandon, on January 7, 8 and 9, 1914.

The convention will open at 9.00 a.m. for the registration of delegates and the

business will commence at 10.30.

Every branch is entitled to send one delegate for every ten members, who will be entitled to vote for the election of officers and any questions that come up before the convention. Branches are also entitled to appoint any number of associate delegates, who will have the rights and privileges of the convention, with the exception of voting and introducing motions.

Arrangements are made with railway companies for delegates and their wives to secure standard certificates on purchasing one full fare ticket to Brandon. If one hundred or more delegates are at the convention, they will receive return

All delegates, whether regular or associate, are required to register their names; regular delegates submit their credentials and present their standard certificates for signature and endorsation of the secretary of the convention, and this standard certificate must be presented to the railway agent at least ten minutes before the train on which they travel is due to leave.

Railway fares of all regular delegates will be equalized as in former years. In order to take advantage of this equalization, delegates must all register and leave their certificates with the secretary on the

It is specially urged that the delegates to the convention will, as much as possible, take advantage of the single fare rate to bring their wives to the convention. A part of the first evening will be given to a lady speaker, and if a sufficient number of ladies attend the convention, a special meeting will be arranged for the ladies the following day, for the discussion of domestic and household organization.

Although the program is not definitely completed, it is expected that Wednesday evening will be devoted to addresses dealing with co-operation, social and economic questions.

On Thursday afternoon a paper will be read by Mr. D. S. McLeod, of Goodlands, on "What can this convention do to increase the efficiency of our associa-tion?" after which the discussion will be led by Mr. Alex. Sutherland, of Cypress River. Arrangements are being made for an address by the principal of Brandon College in the evening.

On Friday morning will be a pronouncement on the findings of the Care.

adian Council of Agriculture in its delegaadian Content of Agricultural Translation to Ottawa. The editor of The Guide will report, as will also a representative of The Grain Growers' Grain Co. Ltd.

The part of one day will be given to the discussion of the Inter-Municipal

Hail Insurance Bill.

Give the delegates a certificate of identification, signed by the secretary, and they will be recognized by the credential committee.

R. McKENZIE,

M. McCuish, organizer for the Manitoba Grain Growers' association, paid a visit to the Roaring River branch on December 11 and had a very good meeting. All the members and young people and a sprinkling of the fair sex turned out to hear him. Mr. Martin, president of the branch, was in the chair. Mr. McCuish took for his subject "The marketing of grain, the benefits of organization and co-operation.' He is a good speaker, and great credit is due him as a young man for the masterly way he dealt with the various questions he had in hand. In dealing with the marketing of grain he showed us the very unfair system practiced at the present time to skin the farmer of the product of his labor. There is not the least doubt that there is something wrong with the present system when such a small per-centage of the wealth produced by the farmer comes to him. Rev. Mr. Little, of Minitonas, also addressed the meeting and strongly advised the organization of the working classes, and hoped the day was not far distant when the worker

would put the plutocrat aside and have a square deal for the masses of this fair country of ours.

DAVID REID,

The Moore Park Grain Growers held their annual meeting on Saturday, December 13. A large number were out and great interest was taken in all the matters brought up for discussion. The following gentlemen were elected to further the work for another year: President, S. H. Beattie; vice-president, H. Cox; secretary, H. F. Meadows; directors, J. McLean, R. Sherris, W. Haggarty, F. Sherris, R. Meadows, O. Bailey.

It was decided to send three delegates to the Brandon convention and H. Cox

to the Brandon convention and H. Cox, L. Robinson, R. Meadows were appointed. Owing to a lot of lengthy discussions taking place it was decided to leave over all general business till the next meeting, which will be held in the school on January the third at 3 p.m.

M. McCuish, provincial organizer of the Manitoba Grain Growers' association, held a meeting at Ethelbert on the 8th. There were about thirty-five farmers present. After Mr. McCuish had put forward the aims and objects they decided to form a branch of the association, with the result thirty of those present became members, with Mr. M. Pacholok president and K. F. Slipetz secretary-treasurer.

On the 12th inst Mr. McCuish held a meeting in Pretty Valley school under the auspices of the association. Mr. McCuish delivered an able address on grain marketing, co-operation and out-lined the policy of the Grain Growers' association, and made a strong appeal to the farmers present to again organize and help fight their own battles. The chairman then asked for a show of hands and every farmer in the building voted for re-organization. W. H. McCullough, the last secretary, stated that they had not held a meeting for a year and a half, but that he would do his best to build up the new association. Mr. McCullough was elected president and A. McArthur constants treasurer. secretary-treasurer.

M. McCuish and H. Gand, of Minitonas, visited Lidstone in the interest of the Grain Growers' association and were disappointed to find no meeting had been called. Not wishing to be outdone (the late secretary, by the way, has an interest in a store in a nearby town and to him the notice had been sent) the organizer made a house to house canvass with the result when the meeting was called to order every seat in the school house was filled. Mr. McCuish was the first speaker, after thanking the ladies for their presence reviewed the past history of the association and outlined the future policy of wider markets, sample market and farm help. At the close of Mr. McCuish's address on a motion Lidstone branch was re-organized with fourteen paid up members for 1914. Short speeches were made by the president, Mr. Jamieson, vicepresident, Mr. Davidson, and secretary, Mr. Ballwood, and Mr. Gand, all of which had a true Grain Growers' ring.

The annual meeting of the branch at Keyes was held on December 13. The meeting was addressed by P. D. McArthur, one of the directors of the Central Association, and Mr. McNair, who was a member of the Royal Grain Commission. Mr. McNair spoke on the question of sample market and showed the good and harmful effects it would have on the wheat market. Mr. McArthur gave an excellent talk on the subjects to be discussed at the annual convention and was given a hearty vote of thanks. Two delegates were appointed to attend the convention in Brandon. This branch was only organized on July 3, and has now thirty-one paid up members and expects to get at least ten more. They have handled co-operatively one car of apples, two cars of flour and feed and are considering sugar, fence posts, etc.

There is nothing truly valuable which can be purchased without pains and labour.—Addison.