

## The Election Results

**H**AD the recent Dominion elections resulted in either the Union Government or the Laurier-Liberals receiving less than a ruling majority, conditions in Canada would have been chaotic. Such a result was greatly feared by many before the vote was cast. The fact, therefore, that the Union Government has been sustained by such a substantial majority, is a reason for much thanksgiving, not only for those who voted for that Government, but also for many who just as patriotically voted against it.

There has been a growing conviction that Canada needs a Union Government to concentrate the forces of the people on the winning of the war. The people now have what they desire. The result should be beneficial. With the majority the Government has behind it, composed of outstanding members of both of the old political parties, the new Government is in an excellent position to give the country such an administration as the people require and expect. This condition should exert a steady influence in the country, and be beneficial in its results. The country, therefore, has much to be thankful for in the results of the Dominion elections.

The vote cast furnishes a demonstration of patriotism on the part of the farmers that should not be overlooked. After contending earnestly for years for fundamental reforms, the organized farmers of Canada, for patriotic reasons, as the vote shows, consented to allow these reforms to stand in abeyance if necessary, and voted for a Government which did not give any assurance of granting their requests, and against a party which promised to give some of them at least. Even the just causes for complaint created by the method of enforcing the Military Service Act, did not affect the farmers' stand to any appreciable extent. The loyalty of the farmers of Canada should not be questioned after this.

## An Improved Farm and Dairy

**"O**UR Folks" may expect to see certain improvements next week in Farm and Dairy. In the first place we have decided to enlarge the pages by making the reading columns  $1\frac{1}{2}$  inches long instead of 12 inches as at present. This will give an advertising page of 700 square lines instead of 472 lines, as heretofore. One out of a number of reasons which have impelled us to make this change, is that we have desired to provide our readers with a larger amount of reading matter. The change we propose will equal an increase of over a page of extra reading matter in each number of Farm and Dairy.

A second change that will be made in Farm and Dairy, commencing next week, has been decided upon for the same reason. As a rule, the most important articles that appear in Farm and Dairy are published on pages three, four and five of each issue and on the editorial page. These are what are known as the "wide measure" pages, because the type used on them is larger, the columns wider, and the space between lines greater than is the case on the other pages. Owing to the wide space between lines, it has been impossible for us hitherto to print as much material on these pages as we have often desired. Commencing next week, therefore, we purpose to reduce the space between lines on these "wide measure" pages. In this way we expect to increase the reading matter on them by twenty per cent.

The foregoing changes will, we believe, be appreciated by our readers. One or two other minor changes will be made. The effect of them all will be to give "Our Folks" a considerably improved Farm and Dairy. Watch for these next week.

### Farmers' Mistakes

Hon. T. A. Cramer, President United Grain Growers', Ltd., Winnipeg, Manitoba.

**O**NE mistake our farmers' companies in the west have made is that we have not planned big enough. We have thought we were doing so but experience has repeatedly shown later that we had underestimated the growth of our enterprises. From today we continue to make the same mistakes. A year ago we erected a warehouse in Winnipeg for the storage of our agricultural machinery which we thought would last for several years. Now this building as well as another one are not large enough for our needs and a third building is being erected.

In addition to the elevators we own or control in Manitoba and Alberta we have now 32 in Saskatchewan and are erecting a 6,000,000 bushel elevator in Fort William. Some years ago, foreseeing that the price of lumber was going to advance, we purchased some excellent timber limits in Northern British Columbia, intending to hold them until we thought the time had come for their development. During the past year the price of lumber in the west has gone sky high. Our company, therefore, is expending \$300,000 for the erection of a saw, shingle and lath mill on our timber limits. Our expenditure during the past year on capital account, largely in the erection of buildings, has amounted to one million dollars.

**Don't Start Fixing Prices.**—Farmers will make a mistake if they start shouting to have the prices of commodities set by the Government. The result of such action, if we may judge the future from the past, would likely be that the Government would start fixing not the prices of the things farmers buy, but the prices of the things farmers sell, such as oats, live stock, grain and other products of the farm. Farmers have not got as much control over the Government as the people in our cities and for this reason the setting of prices would likely prove a boomerang to the farmers if the Government commenced to advocate such action.—H. W. Wood, President United Farmers of Alberta, Calgary.

**The United Grain Growers', Limited,** the biggest farmers' company in the world, was started eleven years ago largely on nerve and hot air. At that time we made many promises to our farmers and shareholders as to what we intended and hoped to accomplish. I am proud today to be able to state that every promise or prophecy we then made has been fulfilled. We have found in our experience that it is the poor farmers who make farmers' companies a success, not the wealthy ones. The poor farmer realizes his need and stands by his farmers' company. The rich farmer feels independent and therefore his support cannot be depended upon to the same extent.—John Kennedy, Vice-President Grain Growers' Grain Co., Ltd., Winnipeg, Man.

## When The Factory Closes

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