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In conclusion I might say I advertised in a Winnipeg daily paper late in the winter for a married couple without children and altho I had about 20 answers none of them would accept \$500 for a year-this with everything found. Now, considering this, why are there so many unemployed, and farm labor so scarce in some districts?
W. H. CHRYSLER.

Yorkton, Sask.

#### WOULD UNITE WITH LABOR

Editor, Guide:-I would much like the views of some of my fellow readers re affiliation to the Trades and Labor Council. I believe it would be of great benefit to both the farmers and labor men were we both to affiliate. If our districts were then to elect delegates to Trades and Labor Councils of that district, I think that problems which involve both classes of workers could be dis-cussed more fully. I am sure that our interests are the same. The headline of The Guide-Organization, Education, Cooperation-is the aim of organized labor The farmer and the worker in town would then be able to meet and pick out the best men to represent them, both in the Provincial and Dominion Houses. When a delegation to either of those Houses is arranged, it would be much more respected as coming from the whole of the organized workers instead of representing a percentage of farmers only. We could also talk co-operation over and when it is launched in a united and general way, we would have organized labor sanely and rationally co-operating as consumers, with us as producers, thus ensuring to us a home market for a great percentage of our produce, both of us benefiting by the elimination of the middleman. Again, the monster, the Triple Alliance, would be more easily defeated when we all, as one body, attacked it, either in co-operation or at the polls. It may be said that the farmer cannot be classed with the city worker, but I think they are both workers, whether they handle lines and whip, or hammer and The farmer may have the hired man; but that does not alter his status. Some of the literature of this Association describes individualism as "foxy and wolfish." For a certain section of a class to isolate themselves from the remainder appears to my mind to be equally as "foxy and wolfish." There are problems affecting the highly skilled and others affecting the unskilled. Each have their own local, responsible to their own central. Yet they can affiliate and discuss problems which confront the workers in general, and, to my knowledge, inestimable benefits are derived by the different unions affiliating. I should be greatly pleased to know that negotiations with the Trades and Labor Councils in both provinces had commenced. Referring again to the Grain Growers' Association literature, I find that our ultimate goal is the common brotherhood of man. That will be the sooner brought about by affiliation, for that is the chief aim of every labor organization on this continent, I believe. I would like to hear some other readers' views on the subject. Co-operation, to my knowledge, is talked about at nearly all local unions in the Dominion. I would like to see it brought about on the same lines as in Great Britain and other countries in Europe, with our wholesalers affiliated with theirs, and I think it will be all the more successful if we, as farmers, affiliate with the Trades and Labor Council and discuss it fully with them previous to making the great attempt on a large scale. With solidarity as our motto, I am confident that we shall achieve

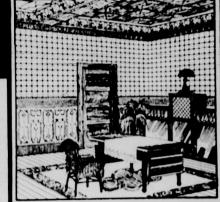
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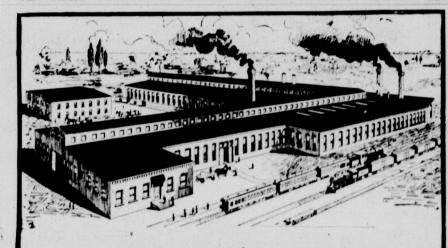
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