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they saw things in a different light. Mr. Wright arranged to attend a meeting at Altamont, Thursday, February 10, with a view to organizing an association there, and he planned to hold another meeting the same evening at a nearby school house. Mr. Wright is meeting with splendid success, and finds a great demand for information wherever he goes. Wherever it can be given, it seems to bear fruit in the advancement of the cause.

MOORE PARK FAVORS DIRECT LEGISLATION

The Moore Park Association is doing excellent work in its district, and is making great efforts to interest every farmer in the cause of the Grain Growers. At a meeting held January 8, the following resolution was passed after a very heated and interesting discussion. "Resolved that we the Moore Park branch of the M.G.G.A. endorse the resolution passed at the annual convention re direct legislation. At a meeting held February 5, the plans of the government owned elevator scheme was fully discussed by a large gathering of farmers, and a resolution was passed with only one dissenting voice, endorsing the memorandum presented to the government. This association has asked that a speaker be sent out to address them.

S. H. S. BEATTIE,
Secretary-Treasurer.

SEVERAL LADIES JOINED

F. W. Kerr and J. G. Moffatt addressed a largely attended meeting held at Pipestone, February 4. They discussed at length the question of publicly owned elevators and organization work, and at the meeting they unanimously passed a resolution to endorse the memorandum to the provincial government. Many who were present joined the association, among them were a number of ladies. A banquet is being arranged to take place some time in the near future.

W. LOTHIAN, Secretary.

MEDORA'S SUCCESSFUL SOCIAL

The Grain Growers' Association of Medora held a social gathering January 28, President D. M. Ballard filling the chair in a very able manner. The room was filled to overflowing by the farmers of the district; a large number of ladies also being present. A good program was rendered by local talent. The speakers of the evening were Mr. Kerr, director of executive from Souris, also Mr. French and Mr. Powell. Mr. Kerr took up the subject of public owned elevators, and also told of the work the executive have done in laying the matter before the government.

Mr. French took up the work of the Grain Growers' Grain Co., and Mr. Powell spoke in the interests of the Home Bank.

The following resolution was moved seconded and carried unanimously by a standing vote: "Resolved that we, the farmers of Medora district in meeting assembled, do hereby heartily endorse the action of the Grain Growers' executive in the demand they have made on the Manitoba government re internal elevators and independent commission. We would also ask executive to drop all negotiations if the government insists on having a referendum of the people before complying with the requests.

We have now 64 paid up members in our association and we hope before spring to have many more.

Thirty-four members have joined since the December meeting.

J. R. GERWIN,
Sec.-Treas.

MARRINGHURST'S ENDORSA- TION

At the annual meeting of the Marringhurst Association the officers elected for the year 1910 were: President, R. M. Wilson; vice-president, J. W. Nelson; directors, D. A. Ross, T. Lawrence, J. Campbell, W. Gray, W. Robinson and A. McWilliams.

We have 31 members, with still some more to come in.

At our last meeting January 26, your letter of January 12 was read and discussed and the motion below was put to the meeting and carried without dissent.

Moved by J. Campbell, seconded by E. Ventris and carried: "That we, the members of the Glenora branch of the

Sixty-eight Associations Approve Memorandum To Government

The demand of the Grain Growers of Manitoba for Government Owned Internal elevators, operated under an independent commission is becoming insistent. From every point of the province resolutions have been forwarded fully endorsing the memorandum presented to the Provincial Cabinet, and in addition to 44 of these resolutions which have already been published in THE GUIDE, the number is swelled to much larger proportions this week. Many of these resolutions were passed at special meetings called for the purpose, the farmers driving long distances to be present. It has been made very clear that the producers are emphatic in their demands. They are looking to the Provincial Government to enact the necessary legislation at the present session of Parliament. Included in the resolutions which have been received during the past week are the following:

Medora:—At a meeting held January 28 it was resolved, "That we the farmers of the Medora district, in meeting assembled, do hereby heartily endorse the action of the Grain Growers' Association in the demand they have made on the Manitoba Government re Internal Elevators and Independent Commission. We would also ask the Executive to drop all negotiations if the Government insist upon having a referendum of the people before complying with your requests."

Culross:—"That we endorse the action of the Executive, with regard to the building and operating of a line of Internal elevators as presented to the Government, and also ask the Government to pass such legislation at the coming session as promised by Hon. Mr. Caldwell at Brandon, which will bring it into force as soon as possible. We also heartily endorse the action taken at the Brandon Convention with regard to Terminal Elevators."

Roseisle:—"That as we the Roseisle Branch believe the system of Government Owned elevators is of vital importance in giving justice to the farmers when selling their grain, we therefore endorse the action of our executive in meeting the Government with the plan for its adoption, and as no one is required to contribute one cent, other than those who use the elevators, we believe there is no need for submitting it to a referendum."

Sanford:—"That the Sanford Branch heartily approve of the acts of our elevator committee, and endorse the memorandum dealing with public ownership of elevators. We pledge the said committee our undivided support."

Harding:—"Resolved, that we the members of the Harding G.G.A. heartily endorse the actions of the central executive in their negotiations with the Manitoba Government, for a system of government owned elevators."

Arden:—"This branch has passed a resolution in favor of the scheme of government elevators, both internal and terminal."

Pipestone:—"That we, the farmers of Pipestone, endorse the action of the Grain Growers' Executive in having demanded public ownership of elevators. That we heartily support their proposition that such should be controlled and operated by independent commission. That the principle of government ownership and control having been so unanimously endorsed by representative delegations of farmers from all parts of the province at the Brandon Convention, therefore it is unnecessary to submit the question to any referendum."

Glenora:—"That we the members of the Glenora branch of the M.G.G.A. unanimously endorse the stand taken by the board of directors in reference to the publicly owned system of grain elevators, and government owned terminal elevators."

Roland:—"That we desire to express our hearty approval of and do hereby endorse the scheme of publicly owned internal elevators, as outlined in the memorial presented by the elevator committee of our association to the Provincial Government. And also desire to urge the acquisition and operation of the terminal elevators by the Dominion government."

Rosser:—"That having carefully considered the scheme of government owned interior elevators, as submitted to the Provincial Government, we believe the plan to be feasible and in the best interest of the province, and therefore give it hearty approval. We especially insist that its management shall be under the control of a non-partisan commission, nominated by the Grain Growers, who are deeply interested. We further believe that as the proposition will not incur any liability to the province inasmuch as it is designed to pay its own way and provide for further needs, it is not a proper matter for a referendum. We further approve of the action of the executive impressing upon the Dominion Government the necessity for placing the terminal elevators under Government control without unnecessary delay."

Franklin:—"That we express our approval of the efforts that have been and are being put forth by the executive to secure government ownership of the interior and terminal elevators, and that we urge the association to continue in its efforts until they have achieved the desired result, and that in so doing they will have the hearty support of this association."

Moore Park:—"That we endorse the plan of government ownership of elevators presented by our executive to the local Government and that we are against submitting the question to a referendum of the people, because the Grain Growers are the only class this matter affects. The rest of the population would not be sufficiently interested to vote intelligently on the subject."

Sperling:—"That having heard the memorandum that was presented to the Provincial Government, re government ownership of elevators, with its financial provisions, and having considered the same, resolve that we most heartily endorse the same and each and every part thereof and most respectfully pray the Government to adopt the same."

Sinclair:—"Resolved that the members of this association endorse the action of the committee in regard to the memorandum presented to the government for the operation and control of the internal elevators."

Empire:—"That we endorse the memorandum presented to the Government by the Grain Growers' executive."

St. Elizabeth:—"Resolved that this branch of the Manitoba Grain Growers' Association are of the opinion that it is advisable for the Government to buy a certain number of the present line elevators, as many as would be required at each point."

Berton:—"The resolution was unanimously passed endorsing the action of the central executive in pressing for a system of government owned and operated internal elevators."

For further Endorsement see page 26

M.G.G.A., unanimously endorse the stand taken by the board of directors in reference to the publicly owned system of grain elevators and government owned terminal elevators.

WILLIAM M. WEBB,
Sec.-Treas.

ADVOCATE A TEN DAY LIMIT

Arden branch, Grain Growers' Association, declared themselves this day in favor of the scheme of government elevators both internal and terminal.

"Resolved that in the opinion of this branch of the Grain Growers' Association that the limit of ten days be allowed in which a farmer may load and tranship his grain from internal to terminal elevators in order that storage capacity may at all times be available to shippers."

Further, in connection with the storage of special binned grain, that the entire quantity of grain without dockage be loaded into car that was placed in elevator.

"Resolved that in the opinion of this branch of the Grain Growers' Association that a pension fund for men appointed for life is not required; inasmuch that the wages of such employees be liberal and sufficient to enable them to provide for themselves on retirement."

BIRTLE CELEBRATES WITH A BANQUET

Two hundred members of the Birtle branch of the Grain Growers' Association met in Adam's Hall February 4, at their annual banquet. The majority of the influential men of the district were present. The speech of welcome was made by R. M. Cherry, followed by Mayor Wilson, of Birtle, while a toast to the local Grain Growers' Association was responded to by G. H. Malcolm, M.P.P., and W. Wallace of Birtleside.

Mr. Malcolm spoke of the good work done by the association in getting reasonable transportation rates over the railroads, and urged them to continue in their activity. Mr. Wallace compared the climatic conditions of Scotland and Canada and stated that while his Manitoba experience had been small, principally buying seed grain, he meant to raise a crop during the coming season.

W. Patterson responded to a toast to the Birtle Agricultural societies in the absence of S. Larkum, president of the agricultural association, who is now in England. He was followed by W. D. Dodge, who spoke on "Municipal Ownership." J. C. Dudley spoke on "Trade Centres," while L. St. Geo. Stubbs responded to a toast to "The Professions."

Greatest Episode of West

"Our Provincial Association" was responded to by D. W. McCuaig. He complimented the government of Manitoba on the way it had taken up the recommendations of the association at its last meeting. "The government ownership of elevators," he said, "will be a splendid scheme, it will be the greatest episode in the history of this great western land. He outlined his various experiences in different parts of Western Canada in his relations with grain growers' associations, and explained the scheme drafted at Brandon in December. "Part of each elevator," he said, "will be set apart for street wheat, and the small grower will have a square deal. This will lend an increased value to street wheat, because a man will have a guarantee that his own grain will be returned to him. An up-to-date cleaner in connection with each elevator will be another feature."

GILBERT PLAINS AIMS FOR 200 MEMBERS

Gilbert Plains had its usual monthly meeting January 5, when there was handed in \$69.00 for new members. Our total to date for 1910 is 138 members, so that it looks like a two hundred mark and a banner year. The following resolutions were unanimously carried: "That we suggest to the Dominion government that no further extensions be granted for beginning the performance of duties of settlement for South African warrants."

"That we ask the Dominion and provincial governments to insist when the question of union stockyards at Winnipeg is being arranged that they be under the management of a commission entirely unconnected with the meat trades."

JOHN R. DUTTON,
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