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large number from neighboring associations were present and contributed to the program. After lunch an able address was given by Prof. J. G. Waterson on the life and works of Robert Burns, which was highly appreciated by all. The entertainment was voted a success, and we hope for a repetition of same in the near future.

WM. LEVERIE, Sec'y.

Blue Hills, Sask.

#### SEMAN'S ANNUAL

The annual meeting of the Semans' branch of the Grain Growers' Association was held in Bishop's hall on Saturday last. About forty members were present. President Jas. Little occupied the chair and Secretary Pellett was at his post. The president gave an address in which he told what the local association had done since organization a year ago. He hoped all would sign the petition for co-operative legislation which was in the secretary's hands. The secretary-treasurer's and auditor's reports were read and adopted. The election of officers resulted as follows: Honorary president, G. H. Crimes; president, Jas. Little; vice-president, Thos. Lewis; secretary-treasurer, Vivian T. N. Pellett. Executive, Geo. Milne, J. B. Newson, J. G. McConnell, A. A. Walton and A. Sly.

#### HILLISDEN ANNUAL

The annual meeting of the Hillisden Grain Growers' Association was held on Thursday, Dec. 8. The president, F. J. Dash, took the chair, and after an excellent banquet and part of the program, the meeting was called to order.

The vice-president took the chair and asked for nominations for president. F. J. Dash was re-elected. He then resumed the chair and briefly thanked the meeting. Other officers elected were: A. Richardson, vice-president; C. C. Elliott, secretary-treasurer; directors J. Dash, C. B. Sergeant, Mr. Moore, A. Dash, E. Jones and J. Deacon. The secretary then read the financial report to date. It was decided to hold another meeting, and have a debate on rural telephones on the night of Dec. 23rd. Affirmative—Mr. Sergeant; negative—C. C. Elliott. The meeting then adjourned, and the program was continued for some time. It was a most successful banquet and program and has given us about twenty new members, and a general help to the district.

CHAS. C. ELLIOTT, Sec'y.  
Hillisden, Sask.

#### FILLMORE ANNUAL MEETING

Enclosed please find postal note for \$2.50 membership fees for 1910. This, with \$4 sent previously, makes 13 annual members, and we have seven Life Members, making a total of twenty, but we hope to increase this during the coming year. Our annual meeting was held on Thursday, December 15, and we met on the first Saturday each month during the winter months to discuss various subjects, the first being the report of the Saskatchewan Elevator Commission. Would you be able to send me twenty copies of the report for distribution to our members here? Please send by express to Fillmore or let me know that you will not be able to do so.

A. L. McDIARMID, Sec'y.  
Fillmore, Sask.

#### FLORAL'S BALANCE SHEET

Receipts—	
Balance in hand .....	\$16.45
Membership fees .....	42.60
Other collections and private subscriptions .....	15.10
Ottawa delegation subscription .....	91.50
Expenditures—	
Delegate's expenses annual convention .....	\$18.15
Fees to Central Association .....	21.00
Rent of building for socials, meetings, etc. ....	19.75
Stamps and stationery .....	1.75
Sundry expenses, convention receipts, trial Guide subscriptions, etc. ....	3.75
Ottawa delegate's expenses .....	91.50
Balance .....	9.15

R. W. MAULE, Sec'y.

James J. Gallagher, the man who shot Mayor Gaynor, of New York, last summer, has been convicted of assault with intent to kill and sentenced to twelve years in the penitentiary.

# HOW TO SECURE THE CO-OPERATIVE BILL

## THE BEST POSSIBLE WAY

The Guide, with a view to increasing the number of its readers, and also Association Membership, has undertaken to promote a prize competition among the different Branches of the Grain Growers' Associations and the United Farmers of Alberta.

### The Sum of \$300.00

will be given in Prizes, \$100 in each Province—  
Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta—as follows:

To the Branch sending in the largest number of new yearly subscriptions during the months of January, February and March

**\$50.00**

To the Branch sending in the second largest number of new subscriptions during the months of January, February and March

**\$30.00**

To the Branch sending in the third largest number of new subscriptions during the months of January, February and March

**\$20.00**

OR

If the winning Branches desire to take their prizes out in Books chosen from our lists, to start a circulating library of their own, we will make the

FIRST PRIZES .....	\$55.00 WORTH OF BOOKS
SECOND " .....	33.00 " " "
THIRD " .....	22.00 " " "

This latter plan is, however, optional with the winners, but we simply draw to your attention that a very valuable circulating library for your members could be secured, if you are among the lucky ones and desire educational matter instead of currency.

As a further inducement in addition to the above offer we will give to each Branch that sends in ten subscriptions their choice of one copy of Edward Porritt's "Sixty Years of Protection in Canada," or any books to the value of \$1.50 chosen from our lists.

### To All Subscribers and Association Members

Our announcements in the past issues of The Guide have been addressed to the officers of the Branches; this time it is the regular members and subscribers whose services we wish to enlist. This is not a one-man movement. Every single reader or member can do as much as his local Secretary or President. In fact, to make this effort a real success every reader must consider himself our Agent. You are very much interested in this competition. What you do helps not only The Guide, but your Association — yourself — and your brother farmer, and goes a long way to further the success of the important movements about which the great delegation went to Ottawa. Every new reader means more support for the people who are agitating for the Hudson's Bay Railway, reduction in the Tariff, the Co-operative Bill, the Terminal Elevators and the Chilled Meat project. The best means of attaining these desired results is to impress on the powers that be that our claims are representative of the feeling of the entire West, not of a scattered few. To this end we must increase our circulation and you must increase your Association membership. To help things we are putting up these prizes as advertised. We are trying to make it interesting for you and hope you can make the returns interesting for us. Start now. The earlier the start the more time you have to develop the competition. Mark your Subscriptions for the Prize Competition.

### Working Rules

Any Branch can have as many agents working as they desire. The contest is not limited to the officers of the Branch.

Agents and Branch officers will still be entitled to their commissions on any subscriptions which they secure.

To secure entry in the competition it will be necessary to state on your remittance lists which Branch you desire your subscriptions credited to.

Subscriptions need not come through regular agents. Any of your members can send in one or more new subscriptions and if he states that it is intended to apply on our Prize Competition, your Branch will get credit for it.

Any new subscription sent in individually will be credited to any Branch the sender directs.

Two renewals will be entitled to the same credit as one new subscription.

Travelling agents must credit subscriptions to nearest Branch to district in which they are working.

Records of this contest will be opened with the first mail received in January. Our representatives can rest assured that each one's interests will be looked after fairly and squarely.

## OUR Prize Competition

Returns will be published in our Next Issue ::

**January 18th**

## Watch the Results

THE GRAIN GROWERS' GUIDE, WINNIPEG