

## ALL TAKE THE GUIDE.

Your parcel of reports of the Prince Albert Convention received, and am remitting \$1.25 for same, as per your letter.

Re THE GUIDE. I have two or three times sent in to Winnipeg the names of every farmer in this district, and I think everyone is either a steady subscriber or gets sample copies. Nearly all are steady subscribers.

The Summerberry G. G. Association held a social evening on March 16. A good crowd turned out despite the bad roads. After a short program, Dr. Elliott, M.L.A., gave a very interesting and instructive lecture on Consumption—its cause, its cure and its prevention. The doctor spoke for over an hour and was carefully listened to. A hearty vote of thanks was tendered him at the close of the meeting. Mr. Wm. Ingram presided as chairman.

R. MILLS, Sec.

## ANOTHER YOUNGSTER BORN

Just North of Battleford at Cavalier

A number of the farmers around here were anxious to establish a branch of the G.G.A., so a meeting was called for March 5. A branch was formed, officials chosen, and the necessary business done. Eleven members have joined. I am expecting more at our next meeting.

A meeting was called for the following week for general discussion. The subject of starting a co-operative store and elevator on true co-operative principles to supply general merchandise, to purchase and handle dairy and farm produce, to handle machinery and any other branch of business affecting the farmer. Some good and valuable information was given by several of the members. Also some pamphlets read supplied by the co-operative Union of Canada. The subject of co-operating together to ship in pure bred hogs, cattle and horses to improve our flocks and herds was discussed. Also the establishing of a bureau of information where any farmer could go and enlist any article he had for sale, such as seed grain, cattle, horses, hogs, farms, etc. A buyer could also go to this bureau and enlist what he needs. Men needing employment and those that need hired help could also go to this bureau and thus bring buyer and seller into communication. No practical steps were taken, but agitation is the commencement of most things. We are busy at present seeding, with weather conditions ideal. It is proposed to hold meetings during the summer for discussion of topics of interest.

Enclosed please find \$5.50—part of subscriptions.

JOHN SMITH, Sec.

## GOING TO ATTEND TO BUSINESS

Your letter of the 31st March came to hand some time ago, and I am sorry for the delay in answering it. The reports of the convention have also been received. With regard to the names wanted by you I may say that I have distributed the reports and as each of these contain a coupon for subscription to THE GUIDE, I am not sure how many may take advantage of it. We have not held a meeting since receiving your letter. Our first meeting is to be held on the 14th of May. We will try and push the sale of THE GUIDE at this meeting, and meantime will try to obtain ten names of men who will be likely to want THE GUIDE. Re your letter of the 13th inst., enclosing circular in reference to the elevator commission, I may state that the matter will be put before the meeting on Saturday, 14th of May, or a special meeting will be called sooner should it be found necessary. Will you please send us 25 pamphlets same as sample enclosed in your letter of the 13th. "A Glance at the History of the Grain Growers' Association," also ten constitutions. The cash for membership cards, reports, pamphlets and any overdue contributions will be paid after our meeting.

JAS. SUTHERLAND, Sec.  
Dialy G.G.A.

## BIG DAY AT STOUGHTON

The Stoughton branch of the Grain Growers held a meeting on Saturday evening, the first we have held since the 18th March, when all correspondence was disposed of. First was your letter which was received just after our last

meeting, re the summer conventions, which I explained to the meeting. The objects of it were fully discussed and on a motion I was instructed to write you to the effect that this branch fully endorse the scheme and will do all in their power assisted by the citizens to make this the greatest day Stoughton has ever had and at the same time boom the G. G. Association, and asking you to give us the fixed date so we can begin our preparation.

The next matter taken up was your letter re the elevator commission holding a meeting here to get the views of the Grain Growers. The meeting have selected a committee to meet the commissioners and lay before them their proposition for the details of the scheme. The reports of the Prince Albert convention received all O. K., and in reply to your proposition will say first I do not know of a member of the association who does not take THE GUIDE. We have seventy trial subscribers and the greater part of the members are yearly subscribers for it with the exception of quite a number of Germans who are members of the association but who cannot read THE GUIDE in English. On Saturday I got two names as members and I asked them to subscribe for THE GUIDE. They would do so but cannot read it and they asked me would it not be possible to have at least part of the paper published in German. Our next meeting will be on the 30th of this month. Will then send you the price of reports. Please let me have the correct dates for these meetings in due time.

R. L. HAYES, Sec.

## DEAD AS SHRIMPS

Sir:—In reply to your letter of the 13th I beg to report that our local association holds no meetings during the summer—that it is practically dead for that time. There are no funds on hand so cannot send you the money for any literature.

Regarding your letter re elevator commission sittings I will report same to our president and if he wishes to take up the matter he will write you directly.

C. E. FLATT.

Tantallon, Sask.

## ROSETOWN GRAIN GROWERS' ASSOCIATION

Enclosed you will find cheque for \$18.80, being for 34 fees and for 25 members' tickets, 25 association pamphlets, one grain act and 25 copies of the convention report all duly received from you.

Our last meeting, I'm sorry to say, was poorly attended owing to preparations for seeding operations, etc., in this district. No new members joined, but we hope to enroll more in the near future.

Mr. Noble from Tezerton was present and desired information re the formation of a branch association and I referred him to you and Mr. Tinkess, so there will probably be one more association formed and more Grain Growers come to the fold.

Allow me to congratulate you on being selected as one of the elevator commission which I trust will be the means of abolishing many of the grievances which the Grain Grower has to contend with.

RICH. STOBART, Sec.-Treas.

## HELPING THE CAUSE

J. Alston, secretary Royal Grain Growers' Association writes:

Your favor of the 31st of March to hand, re the subscriptions to THE GRAIN GROWERS' GUIDE. I will send the names just now, and I will forward the subscriptions after our next meeting. I have sent a few extra names, and I am sure they will appreciate THE GUIDE.

## LUMSDEN SHOWING UP

S. E. Armstrong, of Lumsden writes: I am still in Lumsden, and as Mr. Kidd had not taken over the books, I am sending you a draft for \$31.00, being the amount due the Central by Lumsden Association.

S. E. ARMSTRONG.

## THE MEMBERSHIP RACE

Milden takes first place, \$47.00 having been received from Milden this year. Battleford comes second with \$42.00. Lumsden with \$31.00 steps in; Gaily just ahead of Cory, what do I mean? Why! Look up our report for February and March in THE GUIDE, April 13th, page 21, and keep posted.

F. W. GREEN.

## A CHILD AT FOOTE WHICH WILL SOON HAVE A VOTE

You will find enclosed the sum of \$8.00 being the membership fee of our branch of the S. G. G. A.

The farmers of the Tynecastle P. O. district met at the Mariposa school house on the 16th of April and organized a branch of the Grain Growers' Association with a membership of sixteen. There seems to be considerable interest shown, and we expect to add more names from time to time as we become more enlightened upon the objects of the organization. You will please send plenty of reading matter that will assist us on all questions suitable for discussion at our meetings.

C. D. WHITE, Sec.-Treas.  
Foote, Sask. Tynecastle.

## THEY WILL BE ON HAND IN FORCE

Your communication of the 13th ult. to hand. In regard to it I would say that as this is my very busiest season of the year we (the executive) do not think it advisable to call a meeting just now. As you ask for an early reply I will give you the views of this district as far as I am sure they are correct. Any points I don't touch will be discussed at the next meeting. The schedule of the elevator commission calls for a sojourn at Carlyle (our neighboring town) and you can rest assured that we will be there in force. It might be advisable to see if the association adjacent to Carlyle would send a delegate to the sitting of this commission. We favor a government monopoly because the only class a system of government storage would injure would be the middlemen and the combine. (Elevator). They are parasites pure and simple. If this elevator combine is allowed to live at all it will always be a source of trouble. We favor the three man commission subject to the will of the legislature and to be removed from office only for proved incompetence. The present commission looks good to us. This is all I can vouch for at present. As I said we will hear the discussion in Carlyle at a future date and we agree with you that the sooner the date matures the better.

C. H. BURR,  
Sec.-Treas. Manor S. G. G. A.  
Manor, Sask.

## SALTCOATS WILL SURELY BE SALTED

The secretary at Beaverdale writes to Secretary F. W. Green, as follows:

Yours of the 8th inst. to hand and contents noted. In reference to auto trip I am pleased to have your assurance regarding Saltcoats. I have several communications lately from those interested in the scheme I proposed and shall now be able to answer them, that if the trip is taken at all Saltcoats will be included. If you could also manage to include Spring-ide, it would simplify matters for me considerably and I would guarantee a splendid turn out at both places. However, I am satisfied that the best is being done in the matter and trust that you will have definite information in the course of a short time. In re the elevator sittings I see by THE GUIDE that one

sitting is to take place at Saltcoats and I am writing them immediately urging the importance of presenting our side of the case. I realize that if the farmers do not rise to the occasion in this matter, the consequence will be entirely their own fault. In regard to life members, never fear, they will be coming along one of these days. One great drawback is the fact that many of our best men around here have held their oats over for higher prices and it looks now like they were going to get hit, and they are financially straitened just now in consequence.

CHAS. A. DUNNING.

Beaverdale, Sask.

## THEIR FIRST REPORT

Secretary King, of Forester, writes as follows:

Please find enclosed an order for \$15.00, being the fees of thirty paid up members of the North Tisdale Association. Will you kindly forward all necessary papers, membership, tickets, etc., as we hold our next meeting on April the 29th and I should like to have them for this meeting.

T. F. KING, Sec.-Treas.  
Forester, North Tisdale.

## WHERE ON EARTH IS YETWOOD?

T. Edwin Smith, of Yetwood, Alta., writes:

If you wish some of the propaganda literature of the Grain Growers' Association translated for use among the German speaking population, my services are at your disposal gratis. I do not speak Dutch or low German. Accept this offer as my contribution to the campaign.

Note.—We cannot find this man's post office. Saskatchewan P. O. authorities know nothing of it. Where on earth is it?

F. W. G.

## FROM VALPARAISO

A. C. Teale, secretary-treasurer, Valparaiso, writes:

Your communication of the 31st ult., to hand, re advertising the Grain Growers' Association. I am sending the names, and the sum of one dollar for THE GUIDE. I received copies of the report of Prince Albert convention, and will remit the amount due for same presently, as we are short of funds, but I hope to increase the membership.

## WADENA REPORT

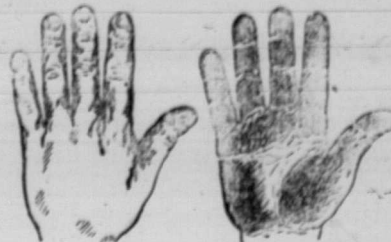
The secretary of the Wadena branch has sent the following letter to Secretary F. W. Green:

Replying to yours of the 31st ult., re trial subscription to THE GUIDE would say, at our last meeting April 2nd, we took up a collection and voted also from the funds of the association for the purpose of having THE GUIDE sent to fifty members and non-members. I forwarded this to THE GUIDE and have their reply stating that they are sending it as requested. Re the convention reports, I will have this taken up at our next meeting, May 7th.

W. T. McPHERSON,  
Secretary Wadena Branch.

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