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 WINNIPEG, MAN.

The Guide has a world-wide circulation. For instance one mail last week brought a letter from an Australian and another from France. Our friend beneath the southern cross, who is a grain grower, is greatly interested in the varieties of wheat which have achieved prominence in Western Canada, especially Seager Wheeler's Kitchener and Red Bob, and is anxious to secure samples. Our correspondent in France formerly a western farmer, finds time in the breathing space between battles, to think of the problems of western agriculture. We trust that in the near future we shall be able to supply samples of western wheat to our Australian friend, even though it may entail the taking out of an exporter's license, and we hope that the western farmer, who is now doing his duty in France, may be spared through all the hazards of the colossal enterprise in which he is engaged, to again return to Canada and resume his occupation as a grain grower on the plains.

May we repeat that the provincial pages in The Guide are edited by the secretaries of the respective provincial organizations, and that material intended for publication in one of these pages should be sent to the proper Central office, and not direct to The Guide. Many items of news of the locals are still sent to our office. In each case these have to be forwarded to the proper secretary, and needless delay is occasioned. Offers of payment for insertion are sometimes made, but we wish to again state that this is unnecessary. If a Central secretary believes that an item of news is worthy of publication it is forwarded along with the copy for his provincial page, and there is no charge, of course, for publishing it.

The Manitoba Rural Credit Scheme is already a demonstrated success. Already 17 societies have been incorporated under the act, ten of which are lending money. Hundreds of farmers have been enabled, through these societies, to secure the necessary short-term credit for carrying on their farm operations. A couple of weeks ago, a representative of The Guide accompanied a party of Winnipeg business and newspaper men, who inspected the work that has been accomplished this season by the Roblin Rural Credit Society. A full report of the society's operations to date is published this week.

The labor situation in Canada is assuming a position of great importance. The labor troubles, some of which have only started, but others which have materialized, have brought home to every citizen of Canada the necessity of directing more attention to this serious problem. An article entitled, "The New Labor Situation in Canada" appears in this issue, and is well worth a careful perusal by the serious-minded farmers of the West. It is from the pen of Professor MacIver, professor of political economy in Toronto University. Professor MacIver has devoted a great deal of study to this important phase of our national development, and is, therefore, in a position to speak with authority on the subject.

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**The Guide Prize Questionary**

as given in the centre section of our issue of July 31. If you have not read this matter over, do so now. If you have read it and have not acted on it, look it over again and see if there is not something in that full page of prizes which will appeal to you.

The prizes are worth over \$230 in cash. These prizes comprise a great many things that boys and girls on the farm or their parents want. We have tried to make the selection so as to appeal to everyone and have allowed substituted choice where any of the prizes do not meet with the requirements of the contestants. There are over 100 prizes, all of which are to be given free as soon as the contest is decided. All question sheets should be mailed to us so as to be in your post office not later than Saturday, August 31. These will reach us early in September and the competition will be decided as soon after that as it is possible to judge the entries.

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