

A PRINCESS PAT

Lieutenant Allan Fairlie Neatby, P.P.C.L.I., is a son of Dr. Andrew M. Neatby, of Renown, Sask. Lieutenant Neatby was born at Sutton, Surrey, England, on December 14, 1895. He enlisted at Saskatoon in February, 1915, being then a student of the University of Saskatchewan. He has recently been awarded the Distinguished Conduct Medal under the following circumstances.

At the time Lance-Corporal and Acting-Corporal in the "Princess Pats," he displayed conspicuous gallantry and ability during an attack in handling Lewis guns. Isolated from his detachment with his company, he guided his men thru unknown and heavily shelled country for nearly one thousand yards, placed his guns in advanced shell holes, commanding the enemy's trench and ground behind, and remained there for twenty hours until the trench was finally taken.

J. J. BRADBURN.

Watrous, Jan. 24.

MINUTES OF DISTRICT No. 6 CONVENTION

The opening meeting of the convention was held in the Strand Theatre, Saskatoon, on December 15, 1916, at 8 p.m., the district director, Mr. Wiljames Thompson, in the chair. The meeting was opened by prayer by Rev. G. K. B. Adams.

Addresses of welcome were given by His Worship Mayor Young on behalf of the city, and by Malcolm Isbister and F. MacLure Sclanders, president and secretary respectively of the Board of Trade. President Murray and Dean Rutherford were also on the platform. J. A. Maharg delivered an address on "New Policies for Rural Progress," and an address on "Economic Reforms Needed for Western Canada" was given by Professor Swanson of the University of Saskatchewan.

About sixty delegates and visitors attended the convention, the following morning, December 16. A resolution committee consisting of John McNaughtan, Piche; Wm. Lake, Sr., Asquith; H. Marsh, Herschel; D. Gray, Naseby; and O. D. Madden, Biggar, was then appointed.

An appeal to delegates to become life members of the association was made by Mr. Thompson, who pointed out that in case the ordinary members of an association dropped away the life members had it in their power to keep the association in existence as long as they lived, and could carry on its work. Wm. Lake, Asquith; J. C. Cherry, Saskatoon, and H. Marsh, Herschel, were appointed a committee to conduct a life membership campaign among the delegates present.

An interesting feature of the convention was the roll call, each delegate answering for a local being expected to give a five minutes' talk on the work of the local. About 11 a.m. Districts 6 and 8 met together to hear Murdo Cameron speak on "Municipal Hall Insurance," the meeting lasting until nearly one o'clock p.m. The afternoon session was taken up by the discussion of resolutions, an address by Mrs. McNaughtan, the election of district director for 1917, and an address on the military hospital commission, by John S. Hull. The choice of district director fell upon John McNaughtan of Piche.

J. CHERRY,
Secretary District No. 6.

RESOLUTIONS PASSED AT DISTRICT No. 6 CONVENTION

Resolved, that the Reciprocity Agreement of 1911 offered by the United States be accepted by the parliament of Canada. Also that all food stuffs not included in this agreement be placed upon the free list. We urgently demand that agricultural machinery, coal, lumber, cement, oils and oil products used for power and lubrication be placed on the free list.—Passed unanimously.

Municipal Hall Insurance

Resolved, that the recommendations in the Report of the Hall Insurance Committee covering the 1916 losses, and methods of future protection, to be embodied in amendments to the Hall Insurance Act, be accepted by this convention. Moved by W. J. Orchard, Tregurva, seconded by E. J. Hoppes, Dundurn. Passed unanimously by District Conventions Nos. 6 and 8, joint session at Saskatoon.

A Markets Committee

Resolved, that this convention recommend the advisability of the Central Convention having a committee appointed to investigate the market problems of western agriculture; and that Professor W. W. Swanson be asked to act with this committee.—Moved by John McNaughtan, Piche, seconded by Harry Marsh, Spring Lake. Passed unanimously.

Tax Sales of Soldiers' Lands

Resolved, that whereas there has been brought to the notice of this association the fact that certain lands belonging to men now fighting in the trenches have been sold for taxes; Therefore, be it resolved that we, the Normanton Grain Growers' Association, are strongly in favor of bringing before the legislature the great need of enacting laws to prevent the municipal councils from selling said lands, and that arrears of taxes shall not bear interest.—Moved by H. Stallibrass, Normanton, seconded by O. D. Madden. Passed unanimously.

Car Shortage On C.N.R.

Whereas, the car shortage on the C.N.R. and branches west of Warman, and also on the Goose Lake division, has become so serious that there is almost a complete blockade; Therefore this district convention demand that the Railway Commission investigate this matter immediately, and alleviate the situation.—Moved by J. H. Armstrong, Zealandia, seconded by Frank Beale, Laura. Passed unanimously.

Re Provincial Address on Economics

Resolved that this convention recommend to the Central the advisability of having Professor William W. Swanson deliver to the annual convention in February, 1917, the address covering his investigations concerning economic reforms needed for Western Canada.—Moved by Joseph A. Dane, Landis, seconded by John McNaughtan, Piche. Passed unanimously.

Official Report of Director

This convention accepts and endorses the official report of Director Wiljames Thompson covering recommendations for federal legislation.—Moved by Joseph A. Dane, Landis, seconded by Harry Marsh, Spring Lake. Passed unanimously.

Vote of Thanks to Director

This convention expresses its heartiest appreciation, by this vote of thanks, for the able way in which Director Wiljames Thompson has served the association.—Moved by Joseph A. Dane, Landis, seconded by John McNaughtan, Piche. Submitted by President John A. Maharg, passed by convention.

Nomination of Director for 1917

Moved by Harry Marsh, Spring Lake, seconded by John Beal, Laura, that John McNaughtan, Piche, be director of 1917. Nominations closed, and Director Thompson declared Mr. McNaughtan elected by acclamation.

Resolutions of Thanks

This first annual Convention of the Saskatchewan Grain Growers' Association for District 6 desires to express its thanks and appreciation:

To Mayor Dr. Young for the various courtesies extended officially by the City of Saskatoon and its citizens.

To President Malcolm Isbister and Commissioner F. M. Sclanders of the Saskatoon Board of Trade for the co-operation of the business interests of the city.

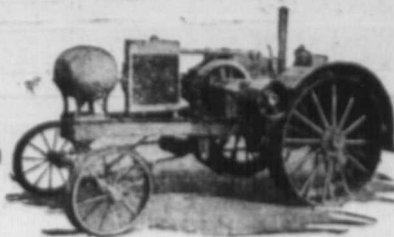
To President John A. Maharg, to Mrs. Violet McNaughtan, president of the Women's Section, for their able addresses.

To Professor William Walker Swanson, of the Political Science Department of the University of Saskatchewan, for his scholarly and forceful address on the economic reforms needed for Western Canada.

To the Press of Saskatoon, represented by the Daily Phoenix, Daily Star and Saturday Press and Prairie Farm, for their co-operation in giving complete and impartial publicity to the proceedings of the association.

To the Canadian Pacific Railway Company, the Canadian Northern Railway Company, and the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway Company, for their hearty co-operation in their efforts, thru their District Passenger Agents to make the travelling of the delegates and visitors in every way comfortable and pleasant.

To J. F. Cairns for his generous and public spirited co-operation in making the work of the convention a success.

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