

In Union There is Strength

Standing by the Central

THE announcement of the fact that the United Farmers' Company is now having with a business concern in Toronto, is showing the interest members of the local farmers' clubs are taking in this recent development in the provincial situation. This is illustrated, for instance, by a letter received by Farm and Dairy from Mr. Judson Austin, Secretary of Norfolk Grange, at Simcoe, who writes in part as follows:

"I am pleased that Farm and Dairy has taken up this matter. If we let our central office go down, all our 'unlucky for cooperation would prove a failure. I believe in cooperation, as I belong to the Erie Farmers' Seed 'Growers' Association, and the Norfolk Fruit 'Growers' Association, and consider I am benefited by both. Norfolk Grange 147 will stand by the United Farmers' Company, and if the 'granges and clubs consider the matter carefully I am sure they will stand by their own company, which 'they have helped to organize.'"

Mr. Austin is right. If the other clubs will stand firm and not allow themselves to be run away by the other competing firm, a great success for the Central Company is assured, and the real strength of the movement will be shown.

The New Ontario Fire Sufferers

LETTERS of appreciation are being received by Farm and Dairy from the fire sufferers in new Ontario, who are benefiting from the generous assistance extended to them by the farmers' clubs of old Ontario. Mr. Alex. Andrews, the secretary of the Matheson Farmers' Club, has several times passed on the appreciation of the members of that club for the help they have received. This week Mr. Cowan of Farm and Dairy, who has been making arrangements with the different clubs, received a letter from Mrs. M. E. Kirton, the district secretary of the Temiskaming Women's Institute, who acknowledges the receipt of flour from Mr. Andrew. In part Mrs. Kirton says:

"The people of old Ontario have been most thoughtful and generous to us in our hour of need. Through them we have been able to pass along many comforts to our unfortunate ones, for in the recent fire we were all left in the same position, that is without anything. Therefore, your visits are the more appreciated, compared as they did as a surprise and presented in this tactful way for some of us found it very hard to be obliged to accept this aid."

Farm and Dairy is assured that the fire sufferers need have no hesitation in accepting the assistance given, as were the conditions reversed, we know that the people of new Ontario would be glad to do their share to help us out in every way possible.

Mr. John MacKay, of Braemar, has written Mr. Cowan stating that the Braemar Union Sunday School gave a social in aid of the new Ontario fire sufferers and raised some money which they desire to forward. The Braemar Women's Institute also have some clothing and household necessaries awaiting consignment. Mr. MacKay has been advised as to how best to forward them.

In November 2 issue of Farm and Dairy appeared an announcement that Mr. Alex. Andrew desired to purchase a bob sleigh, his having been burned in the fire. Unfortunately, a couple of paragraphs which should have ap-

peared at the end of this announcement were dropped out. If any reader of Farm and Dairy have a good bob sleigh that will be likely to meet Mr. Andrew's requirements, we will be pleased to hear from them. He would prefer to have one with shafts if at all possible. The need is all the greater for Mr. Andrew not only has to do his own drawing, but also for several of his neighbors, whose sleds were also burned.

The farmers' club at Barrie, of which Mr. J. H. Luck is the secretary, has raised \$21, which has been used for the purchase of provisions through the farmers' company in Toronto, and sent on for distribution. These contributions are helping out splendidly in the good work being done.

Farmers' Club Meetings

WITH the advent of the fall the farmers' clubs have been resuming their regular meetings. Requests are being sent to the officers of the United Farmers' of Ontario for speakers. President Halbert, Secretary Morrison and possibly other speakers will shortly start out to address as many of these meetings as possible. A series of meetings are likely to be held this month on Manitoulin Island, which will be addressed by both the president and the secretary.

Council of Agriculture.

The November meeting of the Canadian Council of Agriculture is likely to be held about the middle of this month at Regina, at the time of the annual meeting of the Saskatchewan Cooperative Grain Growers' Company. Delegates from Ontario are likely to be sent by both the United Farmers' Company and the United Farmers of Ontario. It is understood that many important matters relating to agriculture will be discussed, and that there will be a large representation from the farmers' organizations of the three prairie provinces. The annual meeting of the Grains Growers' Grain Company will be held in Winnipeg the following week. Some of the Ontario delegates may remain over for it also.

Prices Paid for Wheat

AT the recent meeting of the directors of the United Farmers' Company, one of the most interesting subjects discussed was the possibility of the company doing something to help the farmers of Ontario obtain a better price for their wheat. Manager E. C. Gurney reported that at times there was a spread between the price paid farmers and the price being paid the dealers who bought the grain from the farmer of from 20 to 25 cents a bushel. He felt that it should be possible to greatly reduce this spread and ensure the farmer a larger return for his wheat.

It will be remembered that attention was called to this spread by Mr. paid the directors of Winnipeg, Roderick MacKenzie, of Winnipeg, Secretary of the Canadian Council of Agriculture, who, while he was addressing a series of meetings in Ontario recently, stated at a loss to understand the difference in price being received by Ontario farmers for their wheat and the sale price on the Winnipeg Grain Exchange. The directors authorized the management to handle some trial shipments of wheat on consignment with the object of testing out the possibility of opening a line of trade in wheat.



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