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A BUMPER WHEAT CROP IN THE CANADIAN WEST IS PREDICTED; HEAVY RAINS OVER BIG AREAS

THE OUTLOOK IS VERY FAVORABLE

A Good Crop This Year Should Put an End to Immediate Financial Worries — Three Hundred Million Bushels of Wheat is Looked for—The Question of Freight Rates.

Toronto, July 12—Advices to The Financial Post from the Department of Agriculture at Regina indicates heavy rains generally in Saskatchewan during the past week with the exception of the extreme West and South Western districts where the crops are suffering from drouth. (Wheat is heading out and the prospects are good. Some spring Rye has been cut. Damage from insects and pests has been very small.

If the West gets a 300,000,000 bushel crop as has been predicted and the result is a \$425,000,000 return to the Western farmers, immeasurable relief will be felt in banking and commerce. From all the evidence at present available the Western crop will be a good one; that ought to help toward restoration of confidence; toward the resumption of business activity that will follow once confidence is reestablished.

The Calgary Herald opines that "if we are so fortunate as to have a bumper crop—and the raw averages would seem to point to at least a reasonably good one this year—the West's immediate financial worries will be over." All authorities unite in saying that there is no serious lack of funds even in Western Canada. Proof of this is afforded by the amount of bonds being sold in the West, the offerings of Eastern bond houses as well as provincial issues. Still the public refrains from buying, believing possibly that deflation of retail prices has not reached its limits. It is felt that with a good crop this frame of mind will disappear. At any rate business men generally regard the outlook as hopeful.

In looking forward to the marketing of the coming crop one of the West's most vital concerns is the freight rate problem. Business interests here are watching with the utmost interest the process of deflation in railway wages, as giving indication of freight rates reductions. The postponement of wages reduction is looked upon here as foreshadowing postponement of rate reductions, accompanied by the further prolongation of business uncertainty.

ORANGEMEN AT MONCTON

Moncton, N. B., July 12—Moncton is alive with Orangemen today, hundreds of the brethren from all sections having gathered here to celebrate the glorious twelfth. It is the first Provincial celebration since the beginning of the war and it gives promise of being a great success. This afternoon there will be a monster parade which will start from the speedway grounds at two o'clock. It will be headed by Grand Master G. B. Bustin of St. John, who will be mounted on a grey charger. There will be a number of brass bands in the procession. There will be a round of speeches after the parade.

GEN. SAM TO QUIT.

Lindsay, Ont., July 10—In a letter written to Mrs. J. C. McNevin, wife of the late U. F. O. candidate, who was to oppose the Conservative member for the Federal House, Sir Sam Hughes not only extended his sincere sympathy and consolation, but took the occasion to intimate that he was about to retire from active politics and suggested that all parties get together and elect a member by acclamation, thus avoiding a by-election.

SMALLPOX MISTAKEN FOR CHICKENPOX

Physician Made Error in Diagnosis—Dr. J. A. Wade Has Gone to the Scene.

Dr. J. A. Wade, of the Department of Public Health has returned from the Parish of Dumbarton, Charlotte County, where he was called to deal with the outbreak of several cases of smallpox. He found that the cause of the outbreak was a wrong diagnosis made by an attending physician. The diagnosis was made of chicken pox early in a case, some weeks ago, and the result was that six or eight cases developed. A doctor from St. Stephen was called in and he recognized the outbreak as of smallpox and reported the matter to the Department of Public Health.

The homes of those infected have been placarded, and quarantined and placed under guard to prevent contagion and some sixty persons, contacts and neighbors, have been vaccinated. These cases are entirely distinct from those attended in the month of May by Dr. Wade in Charlotte County.

MET AFTER SIXTY YEARS

Houston, Tex., July 12—Lansing Grant, 98, celebrating a visit of his "kid" brother, H. J. Grant of California, 91, whom he had not seen in sixty years, had a barber out off the beard that had taken Lansing three-score years to acquire.

When last seen the "boys" were headed toward Main street in search of a photographer.

Woodstock Carnival.

The Fredericton attendance at the Woodstock carnival this week will be large. A considerable delegation went up today by motor and others will follow.

Takes Position at Houlton.

Miss Gladys Currie who has been employed in this city for the past few years left last night for Houlton where she has accepted a position with a prominent lawyer.

Poultry in Charlotte.

F. L. Wood, Poultry Superintendent of the Department of Agriculture has returned from Charlotte County. He reports that the poultry in that county is in extremely fine condition.

Big Crowd Left For Moncton.

The Orangemen of the city and vicinity left this morning for Moncton accompanied by the York Regt. Band to march at the 331st anniversary of the Battle of the Boyne. Many excursionists went on the train which left the C. N. R. station. The excursion went via McGivney Junction.

Second Trial of Steeves.

Chief Justice McKeown has gone to Hopewell Cape, where he will preside at the second trial of O. Gaius Steeves, charged with the murder of his wife. The first trial was concluded on Saturday afternoon, May 14th, when the jury reported a disagreement after nearly four hours and a half session. It was reported that the jury stood four for acquittal and eight for manslaughter.

League Meeting Tonight.

A meeting of the York County Baseball league will be held tonight for the purpose of settling a number of disputes which have occurred recently in the league. Marysville's protest against the playing of Jack Doak Monday night by Devon will be considered, also the objection raised by the Imperials in connection with the game at Marysville last week which was declared forfeit by the umpire-in-chief, J. Walter Walker.

BRITISH GOVERNMENT ACCEPTS HARDINGS PROPOSAL FOR A CONFERENCE

Premier Lloyd George Deals With the Matter in a Great Speech in the House of Commons—The World is on the Eve of One of the Most Epochal Events in Its History. Peace of the World is Sought.

London, July 11—The world is on the eve of one of the most epochal events in history. This is the universal verdict of the newspapers and statesmen here following President Harding's offer and the British government's acceptance, in connection with the holding of a conference for the discussion of disarmament and Pacific problems.

The scene in the house of commons this afternoon when Premier Lloyd George announced Great Britain's hearty acquiescence in the proposal was a memorable one. The British premier spoke to a hushed and crowded chamber and when he declared that the government welcomed such a move and would do its utmost to make it a success, there was a crash of cheering from all quarters, which, in the opinion of old journalists in the press gallery, has never been equalled since the announcement of the armistice with Germany.

LLOYD GEORGE'S SPEECH

Mr. Lloyd George spoke with an earnestness worthy of the momentous subject with which he had to deal and the emphasis which he placed upon the declaration that if the conference failed it would not be because the British Empire withheld its support, left no doubt in the minds of the members of the house as to the government's sincerity.

Downing street and the foreign office pulsed with activity throughout the day. Premier Meighen had a lengthy conference with Premier Lloyd George in the morning, Lord Curzon the British foreign secretary being present. Later on, Lord Curzon conferred with the Japanese ambassador. In the afternoon after the British prime minister made his statement to the house of commons, the conference of premiers went into session.

CONFERENCE DID IT

The British press is unanimous in saying that the step taken by President Harding was made possible only by the conference of premiers. It laid the foundation for what had been done and the United States president did not make his offer, and quite properly, until he was certain it would not be refused. As for Canada, a triumph of the conference idea marks the complete vindication of her stand. Representatives of other dominions as well as of the mother country, believed such a step should be taken, but they had little faith in the possibility of its being brought about.

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SIR HAMAR GREENWOOD SAYS THE SITUATION IN IRELAND IS MOST HOPEFUL IN MANY MONTHS

WM. W. LONG, AGED CITIZEN, DIED TODAY

Formerly Deputy Sheriff of York County — Numerous Relatives Throughout the Province Survive.

William Woodford Long, one of Fredericton's oldest residents passed away Monday at his home St. John street at the age of eighty-seven years. He was born at Kingsclear July 11, 1834, a son of the late Charles Long of that place. For some years he served as deputy sheriff under the late Thomas Temple, sheriff.

Surviving Relatives.

The deceased is survived by a widow Mrs. Louise S. Long and three sons Dr. Ryerson P. Long, dentist of Fredericton, Louis W. Long, Assistant Federal Reserve Agent, Federal Reserve Bank, Helena, Montana, and Charles William Long, Office Manager, Galena Oil Company, Toronto. A brother and a sister surviving are Dr. Alfred Long, retired, living in Vancouver, and Mrs. Robert Pugh of Racine, Wisconsin.

Mrs. Wesley VanWart of Fredericton, Lady Hazen and Mrs. J. Fenwick Fraser of St. John and Mrs. George Balmain of Woodstock are nieces. A. R. Tibbitts and J. Fred Richards of Ottawa and Capt. Horace H. VanWart of Fredericton are nephews.

The funeral will take place Wednesday afternoon, with service conducted by Rev. R. J. Bulteel at 704 George street. Interment will be made in the old Protestant Burial Ground.

The deceased was of Loyalist descent and has numerous relatives in this section of the province.

To Supply in Vancouver.

The following announcement appears in the Army and Navy Register and has reference to a well-known former New Brunswicker: "Chaplain F. C. Rideout, U.S.A., who is stationed at the Army War College at Fort Leavenworth, Kan., is granted two months' leave of absence and permission to leave the United States. After attending the Northern Baptist Convention at Des Moines, Chaplain and Mrs. Rideout will take a trip through the Canadian Rockies to the Pacific coast. He will supply the First Baptist Church of Vancouver the last two Sundays in July." Chaplain Rideout was an undergraduate at U. N. B. some years ago.

Died in the West.

Word has been received of the death at Lethbridge, Alta., of Capt. Frank D. Smith formerly of Fredericton. Death was due to heart trouble. The deceased was aged about thirty-two years. He was a native of St. John but resided in this city in his youth. He is survived by a widow formerly Miss Edith K. Karnham of Philadelphia and an infant child. His father Frank Smith survives living in Calgary and a sister Miss Marion Smith also lives in that city. One brother Robert in the West also survives. The deceased was a graduate of the Ontario Veterinary College. During the Great War he went overseas and joined the Imperial Forces serving as a veterinary officer with the Royal Artillery. His widow is a niece of Mrs. J. J. McCaffrey of this city.

Rambles Right Along.

A frisky old Ford, parked in the rear of the Post Office this morning, evidently became affected by the extreme heat, and decided to move to a cooler resting place. At any rate it started and in its flight coming into contact with the board fence which separates the Post Office yard from that of the Officers' Quarters, demolished a part of the obstruction and progressed several feet further. The car received no damage. The owner had left it for a short time and had left the engine running. The vibration probably jarred the brake loose and the clutch in, and the old reliable did the rest. The owner was greatly surprised at the move.

Will Contribute.

Rev. P. R. Hayward, Ph. D., who holds an important position in connection with the National Council of the Y. M. C. A., has been secured by the Provincial B. Y. P. U. of Ontario to furnish the material for topics discussed from week to week in the Canadian Baptist. Dr. Hayward, who is a maritime man, performed a similar service some years ago for the Maritime Baptist. He is a U. N. B. graduate and is well known in Fredericton.

POLICEMAN CRAZED BY HEAT KILLS MOTHER

Winsted, Conn., July 11—William Hahn, 35, formerly a policeman, was driven insane by the heat yesterday and killed his mother, Mrs. Charles Schlosser, 54 years old, fracturing her skull with a butcher's cleaver. He also seriously wounded his sister, Mrs. John Hagen, and a neighbor, Mrs. Joseph Michel. Hahn fled to the woods and with a posse upon him jumped into the Nepaug Reservoir. He was taken out and sent to the hospital for the insane in Middletown.

Hahn was working in his garden when the heat began to affect him. He ran into the kitchen, snatched a cleaver from his mother's hands and inflicted deep cuts on her head and shoulders, from which she died later in the day. He then turned on his sister, and she ran from the house, carrying her baby with her. Mrs. Michel heard the noise and ran out of her house. When Hahn attacked her she managed to take the cleaver away from him. As soon as he was disarmed he made off for the woods.

Died in Hospital

The death occurred at an early hour this morning at Victoria Hospital, following an operation for appendicitis, of Mrs. Annie Lyons. The deceased lady was forty-seven years of age and besides her husband William S. Lyons, she is survived by two sons, William and Edward, and three daughters Mrs. Alfred O'Hara, Mrs. Henry Pond and Miss Nellie Lyons, all of this city. The funeral will be held tomorrow afternoon at 2.30 p. m. Rev. Z. L. Fash conducting the service at the late home at 181 Northumberland Street. Interment will be made at the Rural Cemetery.

DORCHESTER BIRDS AGAIN IN THE LEAD

As a result of the warm weather the birds in the New Brunswick Egg Laying Contest at the Experimental Farm showed a slight falling off in egg production last week. The total for the week was 762, which is about ten per cent. less than the previous week. The Barred Rocks of Mr. W. E. B. Tait were again the weekly leaders with a total of 52 eggs. This is the fourth successive win for this pen this year for the period being 219 eggs. This pen has moved up to fourth place and if the birds continue their good work they stand a good chance of coming out first in the contest.

Mr. Tait's pen was the only one to go over the half century mark last week, the next in order being the Elmsortie Poultry Club with 49. All of the heavy work this week was done by Barred Rocks, the Wyandottes and Leghorns evidently having decided to take a rest.

The Morita Farm first pen now leads in the contest with a total of 1363 eggs, with Mrs. Eveleigh's Barred Rocks second with 1,279, and D. Mersereau's pen of the same breed in third place with 1,279.

CONFERENCE TO BE HELD ON THURSDAY

Mr. De Valera Will go to London on that Day to Confer With the Prime Minister—Arthur Griffiths and Other Sinn Fein Leaders Will Accompany Him.

(Special Cable to The Daily Mail by Dominion News Service.)

London July 12—Sir Hamar Greenwood, chief secretary for Ireland, in discussing the Irish situation with a representative of the Dominion News Service declined to make any positive statement as to the progress of negotiations or the prospects of a settlement at this juncture of the proceedings. On the other hand he declared that in his judgment the prospects for an early peace are decidedly hopeful and he regarded the acceptance of the terms outlined by Premier Smuts as exceedingly probable.

"The situation looks more hopeful today than it has for months past," he said.

London, July 11—The two leading developments in the Irish situation today were the designation of next Thursday as the date of which Mr. Lloyd George and Eamonn De Valera will meet in London to begin conversations looking to a settlement of the Irish question, and the coming into effect at noon of the truce in Ireland as agreed upon.

The official announcement that Mr. DeValera would come to London next Thursday to confer with the prime minister did not specify the place where the actual meeting is to be held.

It is understood that the Irish republican leader will have as colleague Arthur Griffith, founder of the Sinn Fein and Professor John MacNeill, E. J. Duggan and Austin Stack, Sinn Fein members of parliament.

Mr. Lloyd George's associates at the conference have not been announced. The Irish truce brought back to Dublin much of its old peace time appearance, the streets lacking their usual military display and confidence being expressed that the Sinn Fein forces would observe the conditions of the armistice. Strict observance of the truce also was observed throughout County Galway.

CAT KILLED ON DUTY

Portland, Me., July 10—The position of official parcel post protector in the Portland post office is vacant. "Died while engaged in the faithful performance of duty" was the eulogy pronounced by her fellow workers upon the former occupant, Elizabeth, tele post office cat.

Some time ago she was officially recognized by the Post Office Department, which made an allowance for such sustenance as she needed in addition to the mice for which she foraged. Yesterday she was caught in the elevator machinery and killed. One of her kittens is now an applicant for the job.

BRIDGE CONTRACTS AWARDED

J. E. Armstrong of Perth Gets Thierault Bridge; B. L. Simmons, of Fredericton, Fernmount.

The New Brunswick Department of Public Works announces the award of contracts as follows:

Thierault concrete arch culvert and roadway embankment with highway diversion, Parish of St. Basil, Madawaska County, to J. E. Armstrong, of Perth, N. B. Contract price in the vicinity of \$6,300.

Fernmount Bridge, Parish of Sheffield, Sumbury County, to Bruce L. Simmons, of Fredericton, N. B. Contract price about \$7,500. This bridge is to be a sixty foot covered Howe truss on concrete abutments with foundations on ledge rock with stone and earth approaches.