

THE WEEKLY CROP REPORT OF THE BANK OF MONTREAL

In the Prairie Provinces prospects continue favorable. Previously reported frosts probably did some damage in Saskatchewan. Heavy rains have caused grains to lodge in some areas but were beneficial in others. In Quebec conditions have been favorable to rapid and satisfactory development of all crops. In Ontario continued favorable weather has permitted the farmers to harvest safely a grain crop that has not been surpassed in recent years, and showers throughout the Province would now be beneficial. In the Maritime Provinces crops generally are doing very well and pastures are good. In British Columbia recent rains have been beneficial and crops generally are doing well. Details follow:—

Prairie Provinces.

Alberta Western Area—With favorable weather, cutting will be general by the last week of this month and prospects continue favorable.

Alberta Northeastern Area—It is anticipated that the slight frost damage previously reported will be serious but recent rain has caused heavy fields of grain to lodge, otherwise throughout the whole area with fine weather cutting will begin within two weeks and good yield should result.

Alberta Southeastern Area—Heavy unrequired rainfall has lodged growing crops in some parts and will delay harvesting but generally prospects continue favorable for a very fair yield.

Saskatchewan Northern Area—Grains are maturing satisfactorily and harvesting should be general before the end of the month. Frost has been sufficiently severe at some points to affect yield.

Saskatchewan Southern Area—Crops are progressing favorably but some damage from frost is reported from various points in Southwestern portion of Province.

Manitoba—Heavy rains over weekend will benefit late grains. Rust has spread affecting wheat and oats but the extent of the damage is not yet ascertainable. Rye cutting and haying are practically finished. There are abundant fodder crops.

Province of Quebec.

Wheat, oats and barley have every indication of a good yield. Harvesting has commenced in some localities. Hay is practically all cut and stored. Vegetable, root and corn crops, although late, are progressing satisfactorily. Tree fruits are developing well. Small fruits and berries are plentiful. Tobacco is making good progress. Pastures are in good condition.

Province of Ontario.

Fall wheat where threshed is yielding 20 to 40 bushels to the acre, barley 30 to 40 and oats 40 to 60. Corn, peas, cucumbers and other canning crops with the exception of tomatoes are below average. Tobacco and roots should be an average crop with a possibility of potatoes being light. Apples, peaches, pears and prunes are reported

much below recent years. Fodder will be plentiful and cattle for feeding should be in demand.

Maritime Provinces.

In New Brunswick potatoes are making good progress but some rot is reported. Oats continue to do well. The harvesting of a large hay crop of good quality is being impeded by rain. In Nova Scotia apples are growing well and the quality prospects continue good. The harvesting of a heavy hay crop has again been delayed by rains. Potatoes are doing well. In Prince Edward Island potatoes show good healthy growth and all crops look well.

Province of British Columbia.

Harvesting of grains is well advanced and good average crops are reported. Moisture has improved root and vegetable prospects and satisfactory yields are anticipated. Tomatoes are ripening rapidly and should be 110 per cent of average. Apples are sizing rapidly, promise good color and are still estimated at 75 per cent of average; plums and prunes 70 per cent, pears 50 per cent, peaches 65 per cent, hops 110 per cent. Pasturage is good.

Old Timer—Remember Bill Jones? Fellow that used to talk so much? Just read that he's died of throat trouble.

Rookie—Overworked his voice, suppose.

O. T.—No, he was hung.

"Jump" said the fireman to the man on the twelfth floor of the burning building. "If you miss the net we'll catch you on the first bounce."

Mrs. J. B. Hayes of St. Leonard's is the guest of her sister Mrs. P. T. Bowlen, George street.

THE STARS OF THE CINEMA WORLD VISIT THE PICTURE HOUSES

Hollywood, Cal., Aug. 19—Those people who crowd around the entrance of a modern picture theatre on a big opening night in or near Hollywood see a brilliant pageant with a stellar cast.

Streets Aflame.

The night sky above them is awash with flashing searchlights. The street flames with bunting and glitters with arc-lights. Roofs across the street are full of spectators. There are heads in every window. Flappers cling eagerly to fire-escapes and clamber to the tops of parked automobiles.

It is really a big night, and celebrities are here by the hundreds. Mary Pickford gets a big hand from the crowd as she steps into the lake of light with her husband, Douglas Fairbanks. And how Gloria Swanson thrills the throng! Her husband, the Marquis de la Falaise, seems to enjoy it. John Gilbert arrives with a party of bachelors. Sojin, the Japanese character actor, stops the show when he arrives in conventional black with Mme. Sojin all colorful in oriental costume.

Mix Thrills Crowd.

"Ah!" gasps the crowd as another splash of color bursts into view. It is Tom Mix, in a purple tuxedo, a purple cloak and a broad, black sombrero. He stops to shake hands with youngsters who have wriggled their way to the very edge of the path of glory. Back in the crowd other children wave hands from atop the shoulders of their parents.

Amplifiers are bellowing the names of arrivals: Mae Busch—the Schildkrauts, Rudolph and Joseph—Jack Holt—Marie Prevost—Bessie Love—Wallace Beery—Raymond Hatton—Colleen Moore—Rod LaRocque and Vilma Banky—Dolores del Rio—Laura LaPlante—May McAvoy—Anita Stewart—Bebe Daniels and Charlie Paddock—Ernest Torrence—C. B. DeMille.

Ermine wraps apparently are sold by the dozen in Hollywood. There is Betty Blythe in one, and Lya de Putti, and there are scores of others.

Here comes Mayor Cryer of Los Angeles. And Mayor Rolph of San Francisco. Will Hays, head of the picture industry, poses for the news cameras with David Wark Griffith.

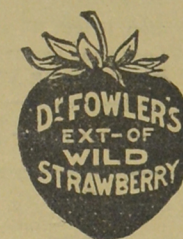
Marie Dressler, slap-stick heroine of yesteryear, clowns past the cameras.

Lew Cody and Mabel Normand are easily recognized. Harold Lloyd, without his glasses, fools the crowd for a while. So does Lon Chaney.

Florists' delivery cars arrive with bouquets. There are groans, curses and shoves in the crowd. A pickpocket is arrested and dragged away. The throng becomes restless; the amplifiers bellow: "Folks, let's show the police how well we can behave."

Ten o'clock arrives before the stars are all in their seats. Then the crowd dwindles, but does not disperse. At midnight the entrance still is surrounded, and across the street dozens

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of girls are sitting on soapboxes, waiting for the show to end.

They did not see John Gilbert and Ronald Colman go in; but they certainly intend to see them come out.

A JUST MAN.

One Miami county farmer is saving up a load of tin cans, bottles picnic plates, paper sacks, etc., which he will take to Kansas City in the late fall and scatter over the boulevards, thus returning property to the rightful owners. —The Miami (Kan.) Republican.

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