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**BANK OF MONTREAL CROP REPORT  
HAS ENCOURAGING NEWS****Most Discouraging News Comes From Prairie  
Provinces—Maritimes Show Good Report**

Below will be found a brief synopsis of telegraphic reports received at the Head Office of the Bank of Montreal from its branches. The branch managers have complete and intimate knowledge of each local situation and are in close touch with crop conditions in all sections of the districts mentioned.

**General**

The cutting of grain is now in progress in most districts of the Prairie Provinces. Continued absence of moisture during the past week has advanced the maturity of all grains and further reduced crop prospects. Estimated wheat yields show wide variations in different areas, and the crop of coarse grains in general will be light. In Ontario the fall wheat crop now being threshed is an average yield of good quality. Other grains are below average through drought, which has caused serious damage to late crops generally, although recent rains have been beneficial. Quebec has a good hay crop and other main crops are all in encouraging condition. In the Maritime Provinces hay yields are heavy and the outlook for all crops favourable. Grain and hay crops are good in British Columbia and root crops are doing well. Details follow:

**Prairie Provinces**

Alberta—Crops generally are below average to poor. In the northwest and north central areas they are fair to good, while late crops and pastures have been improved by recent rains. Elsewhere they are fair to poor, with continued drought and a serious feed and water shortage in the ranching areas. A shortage of irrigation water is adversely affecting sugar beets. Saskatchewan—The wheat crop is extremely patchy and will be far below average. Rust in-

fection has been spreading in central and eastern areas. The feed situation is serious in southern and western districts and pastures are badly in need of rain. Manitoba—Drought has taken heavy toll in the southwest and along the southern border and little grain will be marketed in this territory. Elsewhere wheat yields will vary from fair to good. Rust damage is reported in some districts.

**Province of Quebec**

In the Lower St. Lawrence and Lake St. John district cereal crops are showing satisfactory progress. Oats will be short on straw but are heading out well. Haying operations have advanced slowly due to frequent rains; the yield and quality are generally good. Potatoes, turnips and other roots are growing rapidly. Good crops of blueberries and raspberries are reported. Pastures are in good condition. In the Eastern Townships and Ottawa Valley areas oats are filling out nicely and barley is ripening fast. The cutting of a heavy hay crop of good quality is about completed. Ensilage corn has improved and tobacco plants are doing well. Root crops look promising. Pasturage is good.

**Province of Ontario**

Recent general rains have been beneficial to corn, roots and some varieties of apples. Cutting of fall wheat was completed under satisfactory conditions and an average yield of good quality is being threshed. Cutting of barley and oats is general. Shrunk grain, due to lack of moisture while filling and premature ripening, has resulted in below average yields. Growth of corn was retarded but is now progressing under improved growing conditions. Sugar beets have benefited from recent rains. Pastures require more moisture for second growth stimulation and supplementary feeding of cattle is still fairly general. Growth of tobacco has been revived by recent rains, but favorable weather is required. Cutting is expected to be about ten days late.

**Maritime Provinces**

In Prince Edward Island the harvesting of one of the largest hay crops in years is about completed; other crops are promising. In Nova Scotia and New Brunswick grain crops continue to show satisfactory growth. Oats are heading out well. Haying operations are well advanced, the crop being a heavy one of good quality. Root crops are making steady progress. Small fruits are plentiful. Apples are sizing well and while insects are in evidence in some orchards no serious damage has so far been reported. Pastures are in good condition.

**Province of British Columbia**

Continued fine warm weather is rapidly bringing all crops to maturity. Harvesting of hay and grain is under way and crops are of good yield and quality. Root crops are doing well. The bulk of early potatoes has moved to market and canneries will shortly be taking delivery of tomatoes. Apples are sizing well and the picking of early varieties will soon commence. The following yields of tree fruits are now indicated: apples 80 per cent of average, pears 90 per cent and peaches 50 per cent. Pasturage is beginning to suffer from lack of moisture, but there is sufficient water for irrigation purposes.

**NEW STYLE OF NUISANCE**

Boston Christian Science Monitor: The circus callope and the political band wagon of yesterday have become the sound truck of these noisy times. Unfortunately, today's blatant motorized wagon, with its glaring posters and shining loudspeakers, blares its message the year round. Anybody's soap, your neighbourhood theatre, and "contests of skill" shriek their allurements from the sound truck for all but a short period at election time when political pleadings crowd them out. Raucous recordings are broadcast to the skies and the ears of the passer-by are assaulted with pep talks designed to sell anything from shoe polish to dentistry. Some day peace-loving citizens of the towns and cities are going to rise in their wrath and tear the sound wagon's body from its chassis.

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F. C. SQUIRES SPOKE AT CONVENTION  
OF CONSERVATIVES ON SATURDAY****C. L. Dougherty, Fredericton Barrister, Unani-  
mously Elected as Candidate to Contest York  
Constituency in Bye-Election — Resolutions  
Passed.**

At a largely attended Conservative convention in the York County court house on Saturday afternoon for the purpose of selecting a candidate to contest the constituency of York in a by-election to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Stewart E. Durling, M.P.P., the name of Charles L. Dougherty, of this city, was the only one placed in nomination and he was unanimously elected, as announced in Saturday's issue of The Daily Mail. During the afternoon several resolutions were passed and there were several addresses made. W. G. Quinn, of this city, acted as chairman.

The speakers were Hon. R. B. Hanson, K.C., former minister of trade and commerce in the Federal Government; Hon. F. C. Squires, leader of the Opposition, and the candidate, Mr. Dougherty. Both Hon. Mr. Hanson and Hon. Mr. Squires addressed the gathering. The election of the candidate was proceeded with after remarks by the chairman, Dr. B. H. Dougan, ex-M.P.P., of Harvey, moved Mr. Dougherty's nomination, which was seconded by Dr. M. L. Jewett, ex-M.P.P.

Candidate-elect C. L. Dougherty after being nominated, rose and thanked the meeting for their kind and thoughtful gesture. He told of his long association with the party and the people of this constituency, and said that the reason they were present was because they were "fed up in less than a year with the present government." He said, "you may use me as the first spike in the political coffin of Mr. Dysart." The people expect more from the Conservative party now than ever before, he said. The people are entitled to the best and "you may trust me to give the best that is in me."

Chairman W. G. Quinn then called upon Dr. B. H. Dougan, ex-M.P.P., who assured the people that there was a law to the effect that the Conservative party may bring on an election at any time. The present administration has developed into a family compact, he said. Liberal families are working while Conservative fathers are idle, he stated. The next speaker was Dr. M. L. Jewett, ex-M.P.P., who stated that the policy of the present administration at first was how to get rid of the Conservative job-holders. He cited many instances of misused patronage, and said that labor should be treated decently, instead of being exploited as it now is.

**Hon. F. C. Squires**

Hon. F. C. Squires, leader of the Opposition in the Legislature, spoke next. He was glad to see the people of the county here in spirit as well as body. C. L. Dougherty, he said, is one of the outstanding men in the province today. The Conservative party needs a man like him. "I told them of unfulfilled promises from the floor of the House. They (the present government) never even contradicted me, they were so ashamed. What are they doing about secondary or rural roads?" He went on

to state that the feeling throughout the province towards Mr. Dysart and his party was terrible. In speaking of the Old Age Pensions, he stated that the Government has whittled here and there in an attempt to cut down expenditures, but that they did not go by the Dominion Act. "They have doted the people after waiting one year before putting the Old Age Pensions into effect." In Saint John the people have risen against the minister of labor. This, he said, was not to be wondered at, since labor throughout the province had not been consulted regarding the appointment of the Fair Wage officer.

He stated that the Irving Oil monopoly "have the Government bound hand and foot," and that K. C. Irving is real premier of the province, and P. J. Hughes the real attorney-general. He further condemned the Government in not fulfilling one pledge. The debt is increasing where a balanced budget was promised, and certainly the people of the province have lost confidence more quickly with this administration than with any other before.

**Hon. R. B. Hanson, K.C.**

Hon. R. B. Hanson, K.C., former minister of trade and commerce in the Federal Government, was the next speaker. He charged the Government with high crime, misdemeanor, malice aforethought, for depriving the people of this province of a chance to earn. He asked what basic industries have been readjusted, and stated that although the Dysart Government won the election on June 27 that they came into office under false pretences. It is merely a case of "partizanship gone mad," he stated.

Hon. Mr. Hanson next dealt with the administration of the Liquor Act. Government control, he said, is not the last word, but it should be "control, not promotion." "I charge the Government with promoting intemperance and drunkenness in this province." According to Mr. Hanson, the Government is composed of holy terrors—there never was anything like them in the days of Baxter, Tilley and Richards.

In remarking on the road contracts administration policy, he said that it was disgraceful and cited as an example the two million dollar Plaster Rock road, which "runs through the back woods." No local traffic will possibly benefit by this, he pointed out. It is merely a drain on the people's pockets, he said. Certainly a deficit is being added to the public debt, he declared, in speaking of the finances of the province, and very shortly "the credit of this province will be questioned." He urged that a halt be called on this borrowing, and unless that takes place, he said, we should suffer the indignities of increased taxation and additional municipal levies.

He never said anything about the padded payrolls and scandals which had developed under the old government, recently defeated by the people.

Hon. Mr. Hanson also dealt with the Old Age Pensions and asked the meeting "where is the money coming from?" And why is it being distributed so unfairly? He cited several instances of mal-administration and misuse of the privilege of patronage. And his last charge against the Government was one of cowardice in all things undertaken. Concluding, Hon. Mr. Hanson eulogized the fine sterling qualities of Mr. Dougherty, with whom he had been associated for a great number of years, and in whom he had every confidence that the people of York county would be served honestly and well.

A number of resolutions were passed prior to the delivery of the addresses. These were moved, seconded and adopted. These included one expressing sympathy at the passing of King George V., and loyalty to the new king, King Edward VIII., moved by Councillor Seymour and seconded by Councillor Doherty; a resolution in appreciation to the public services rendered by Hon. R. B. Hanson to the constituency was moved by Warden Howard Cameron; a resolution condemning the present administration, moved by ex-Coun. McMullen and seconded by ex-Coun. Gilmore; another resolution that the Conservative party contest a by-election in York county, was moved by Horace Hanson, and carried.

Then Dr. B. H. Dougan, ex-M. P. P., nominated C. L. Dougherty as the Conservative candidate, and Dr. M. L. Jewett, ex-M.P.P., seconded the nomination. Chairman W. G. Quinn called for further nomination, but as

**Radio Stars**

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with sponsors. They're really supplying the funniest programme of the Summer.

Without equivocation, last Wednesday's programme, from this angle, was the most humorous of the year. In addition to their keen burlesque on the March of Time, the colonel gave more inventions and demonstrated hilariously the type of speaker who talks in periods, commas, dashes and parentheses. The boys continued their crazy "we-pay-no-attention-to-anything-for-you" business and the colonel was extremely funny with his amateurs.

Ray Noble returns to his native England this week to make recordings, but will be back here in six months to broadcast from the Rainbow room and, undoubtedly, for a sponsor. Another American air act headed for Europe is Carson Robison and his Buckaroos, tremendously popular abroad. B. A. Rolfe has broadcast 8531 tunes on 546 programmes since he broke into radio in 1925.

Frank Black continues to conduct from the Great Lakes exposition in Cleveland. Nelson Eddy returns to radio via CBS Sept. 27, and Josef Pasternack will supply the music. With all this film fame you can bet Nelson is getting a handsome increase over last year. Igor Gorin, whose name looks as though it could be spelled backward the same as forward, has completed a Gypsy operetta.

Phil Regan's one-man benefit fund for Tommy McLaughlin, baritone and former "Romantic Bachelor" of radio, had reached \$400 when Tommy died Tuesday. Phil is continuing the fund and will present it to Tommy's parents. Curly haired, he-man-voiced McLaughlin was well liked along Radio Row.

Capt. Frank Hawks will do a series of stunt flights and then discuss the thrills, second-hand, in a series of broadcasts starting Sept. 1. May Robson has been signed to do a radio serial, via recordings. General Mills is willing to pay \$80,000 to air big league ball games from Chicago next year, if authorities permit.

Harry Salter, who always seems to be experimenting or originating, is writing a serial of compositions in the Nippin manner, to be called "Oriental Moods." And Tora Sasabe, Japanese prima donna, may introduce them in concert this Fall. Joan Marsh was a full-fledged life-guard at the age of 9, her representatives say.

none were forthcoming C. L. Dougherty was unanimously declared nominated.

**G-B. Movie**

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wives and children. The latter are busy with berry-picking while the "braves" make the passage of the treacherous river for the cameras.

For the shooting of these scenes, a trainload of players, directors, technicians and extras, with much in the way of movie equipment, tents, army blankets, folding tables, stoves and foodstuffs, pulled out of Revelstoke Station last night to establish themselves in the now-famous pass of the Rockies.

Prior to this move, a detail of players and cameramen headed by Richard Arlen, star of "The Great Barrier," took advantage of a big forest fire on Mount Seven and Jubilee Mountain to shoot the forest fire scenes of the feature. The filmmakers had all they wanted of battling the blaze after two days of strenuous work high on the mountainside.

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When perchance he's a trifle shy.

But a dog will give you his life, my friend, And his love for a pat or a smack, He'll stick by you to the bitter end. And he'll never answer you back.

Your friend's his friend, and your fight's his fight, And he'll shatter the decalogue, Nor worry whether you're wrong or right,

And yet—he's only a dog.

—P. O. P.

SPAIN: A CHOICE OF EVILS  
New York Times: Whatever the outcome, neither reconciliation nor compromise is possible between the forces battling for control of the Government. The hope of a liberal republic is dead. President Azana has been forced to surrender his dream of constitutional freedom to the most radical elements in the Popular Front. The only leadership in the counter-revolution is in the hands of generals, hard-boiled soldiers like Franco and Mola. Whoever triumphs, the ensuing regime is pretty certain to be a reign of repression under a Marxist or a military dictatorship.**INSURANCE  
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