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THE ARMY WORM

THE ARMY WORM which has done heavy damage to grain crops in Nova Scotia, has now invaded New Brunswick and is being fought by officials of the Dominion Entomological Station in this city. The first evidence given in this province of the army worm scourge was conveyed on Saturday night last to R. P. Gorham in a telephone message from Gordon Carvell, who resides three miles from Fairville. Mr. Gorham was early on the scene and brought with him first aid. Leaving a quantity of material and a hand sprayer with Mr. Carvell to provide for the immediate fighting of the army worm. This was followed by the Department experts hastening to the scene with a large sprayer, which routed the army worm on Mr. Carvell's farm. Considerable damage was done to oat crops.

Yesterday it was discovered that a serious invasion of this pest was noticed in the vicinity of Penfield in the County of Charlotte and at the present time Mr. Gorham and other officials are on the scene waging a vigorous warfare against this destroyer of farmer's crops.

Word comes from Nova Scotia that farmers in that section are concerned over the prevalence of the army worm. In one district in Colchester county the army worm has invaded twenty-two farms covering between three and four hundred acres mostly in oats and barley. One pasture has been practically cleaned off and in several cases farmers are cutting their fields, nearly ripe, in order to save them. In many fields the loss already is more than half of the crop.

Control measures being used in Nova Scotia include plowing of furrows around unaffected fields or through fields partly covered in order to stop a movement of the army worm. They are often well into a field before being noticed. After feeding in one field they move to another, going mostly in a westerly direction.

A warning concerning the spread of the army worm in grass and grain is issued by R. P. Gorham, assistant entomologist, division of field crop and garden insects, Dominion Department of Agriculture. The announcement reads as follows:

"The true army worm, one of the cutworms which attacks grass and grain, has appeared in outbreak form in Saint John and York counties and may appear in other portions of the province. Farmers are warned to watch their grain fields and grass on low-lying meadows for the presence of the insect and to take immediate steps for control if found in numbers.

"In the last general outbreak of this insect in 1934, some seventy farms in Saint John, Kings and Queens counties were affected. There is the possibility that it may be wide-spread this year, so all growers are warned to examine their fields.

"The caterpillars are dark in color, with yellowish-red stripes on the sides. They feed during the day and climb to the top of the stems of grain and grass. When numerous, they frequently move in large numbers from field to field, when they are said to be "marching." This movement usually occurs in the afternoon and the direction is frequently towards the west. The digging of trenches across the line of march is sometimes necessary to prevent the invasion of valuable crops, but usually the application of poisoned bran bait will suffice."

INFANTILE PARALYSIS OUTBREAK

THE communities in the vicinity of Truro, Nova Scotia, are alarmed at the outbreak of infantile paralysis in that section of the country and are adopting precautionary methods against the spread of the disease. The County Medical Officer has ordered all dance halls and public meeting places attended by young people to be closed for the next two weeks.

The death of Alfred Smith, aged 29, of Lower Debert, July 14, followed by an outbreak of cases in that section of the county has prompted this action. The Medical Health Officer, Dr. Johnson, describes the disease as most contagious and one to be observed by all with the utmost caution. Several girls ranging from eight to fourteen years of age have contracted the disease, which seems to be most prevalent amongst the children and the younger people.

The disease is an acute one. First symptoms are accompanied by severe headaches and light fever. As the case becomes more advanced the fever becomes marked and a soreness of the spine develops, followed by rigidity of the neck. The actual paralysis usually appears within four days and in advanced stages causes death through paralysis of vital parts of the anatomy.

Dr. Johnson described the disease as most contagious through the mouth and nasal passages and is most susceptible when in close contact.

The co-operation of the residents in the district concerned is being sought by the Medical Officer. He stated that the dance hall proprietors realizing the gravity of the situation have co-operated to the utmost. "With such co-operation and with the proper care of those afflicted, I believe that it will be possible to eradicate the disease at present," Dr. Johnson stated in conclusion.

LIQUOR CONTROL REVENUE

THE total Dominion revenue through the manufacture and sale of liquor during the fiscal year ended March 31, 1937, was \$22,901,664. This included excise and customs duties. The revenue in the fiscal year 1936 was \$20,946,576. Some years ago this revenue was much larger. In 1928 it was \$54,109,008, 1929, \$59,595,573; 1930, \$56,214,457.

The following were the gross sales by Liquor Control Boards by provinces in 1936 with the net revenue from liquor control in brackets: Nova Scotia, \$3,831,691 (\$996,087); New Brunswick, \$2,695,859 (\$782,742); Quebec, \$12,698,163 (\$4,868,400); Ontario, \$18,530,658 (\$8,189,816). In addition, sales of beer from breweries and brewers' warehouses totalled \$29,396,420, which amount should be taken into consideration in making comparisons with earlier years; Manitoba \$4,539,694 (\$1,293,288); Saskatchewan, \$5,735,355 (\$1,280,345); Alberta, \$3,726,056 (\$1,854,728); British Columbia, \$11,169,437 (\$3,061,829).

SNAPSHOTS

The establishment of a Fair Wage Board should give the labor element a better break. Another Dysart Government promise carried out.

Did the band forget to play "God Save the King" at the end of the function?

It is awful if dad sits out in the yard in his undershirt, but daughter can run all over town in a pair of shorts and it is quite all right.

Apart from a little trouble with John Bunyan and the Magna Charta, lower school pupils of Kitchener and Waterloo did not find their history examinations difficult.

One student thought John Bunyan wrote "Pilgrims Lost." Another said he was cast into prison, where he wrote about his life in a book entitled "Paradise Lost."

The Magna Charta was described by one scholar as "a huge roll of paper which was rolled from house to house by the Chartists" in quest of signatures.

The Irish Free State, according to one pupil, "is between the Bay of Bengal and the South China Sea."

This puts us in mind of two pupils who sent in answers to the question what is a Papal Bull. One answered: "A papal bull is the bull which the Pope keeps to provide milk for his children." The other answered: "This bull is a cross bull which the Pope keeps to set on Protestants."

Writing of sailors, Poet Laureate Masfield says "the work they do is hourly undone." Something like making sandwiches in a restaurant.

Hollywood is having a discussion as to who was "the first of all talkie queens." The answer should be easy. The lady's name of course, was Eve; and what a bad listener she was.

Nagging and worry now are assigned by dental experts as the cause of tooth decay. Some unfortunate husbands, upon learning this, will wonder how they have managed to keep a single healthy molar since their wedding day.

PRIME MINISTER

(Continued from Page One) and trans-Canada air services and remarked: "When one thinks of what the world is going to be like in the future one sees the importance of personal contacts between the peoples of the world."

He was glad members of the party were visiting Ontario and Quebec and regretted they were not going West, where, he said, the people were displaying the same fortitude and courage that have made the West what it is.

"I needn't tell you how completely the people of the Old Land opened their homes and hearts to us at the Imperial Conference," the Prime Minister said. "I hope you find the welcome our citizen extend to you is as deep and sincere as the one extended to us."

James Taylor, Permanent Secretary to the Department of Agriculture for Northern Ireland, thanked the Prime Minister.

CUTTING

(Continued from Page One) Alberta crops improved and some excellent yields are expected, especially in the west and north central sections. Except for late fields of marquis and Ceres wheat, rust damage has not seriously affected the wheat crop. In Manitoba no infection is reported on the new Thatcher variety according to the Dominion Rust Laboratory report.

British Columbia expects a good yield of everbright strawberries from Mission District, apricots, apples, plums and peaches are moving out and vegetables of excellent quality are being shipped in considerable volumes. Fall wheat cutting is finished and thrashing of sown has been begun.

LADDER TRUCK

(Continued from Page Eight) In snow and slush. This same wheel diameter has been found very successful on the present pumper, making it very serviceable in slush and snow, and other adverse conditions with which the department has to cope.

The chassis' weight is 5,050 pounds, while the weight with body and full equipment will be 11,030 pounds.

The same type drive is used in several other Canadian cities for fire work. Toronto has several four-wheel-drive trucks, while New York City also uses the type. They have been used by the provincial government for snow-plow work and in all conditions have proved very satisfactory.

It is not known how soon the truck will be ready for service, but the work will be completed as speedily as possible.

CAPITAL

(Continued from Page One) the action of all banks would be unanimous.

"No comment could be made or action taken until we have had a chance for full study, digestion and discussion of all principles of the bill," he said, suggesting copies of the bill would probably be in the hands of bank executives today, having been forwarded here by Alberta representatives.

Provincial Treasurer Solon Law of Edmonton, threw down the gauntlet to the chartered banks of Canada today with a flat demand to increase purchasing power in Alberta.

Defending the bank-license bill in the Provincial Legislature, the 37-year-old former school teacher referred to \$400,000,000 in Alberta debts and \$80,000,000 in purchasing power in the province.

"With less than one-fifth of the financial resources as compared with their total debts," he said, it is impossible for the people of Alberta ever to meet their debts under a system which provides them with financial credit only at the price of a debt. This and similar anomalies must be made good so as to provide the people with what they have demanded—\$25 a month and a lower living cost.

"It is not for the government to tell the banks how it shall be done. They are the experts and that is their responsibility. But I might add that if the banks do not know how to do it, the government will undertake to provide the necessary expert knowledge for them."

The bill went through second reading with a wide variety of features: Gerald O'Connor (Lib. Edmonton) said any reputable lawyer would declare the bill to be unconstitutional, beyond the power of a province.

Attorney-General John Huggill refused to give the House his opinion on the constitutional question, insisting his advice had been given direct to the government and should not be made public.

Conservative Leader David Duggan predicted the bank bill would lead to secession by Alberta "and if you are ready to say to the rest of Canada we have no further use for confederation, then you are running true to form in bringing down legislation of this sort."

Relief Minister Lucien Maynard denied the bill would lead to secession or weaken the bonds of confederation. "We stand together with the people of Canada," he declared. "but we demand the right to look after the welfare of this province."

The banking license bill received second reading after Provincial Treasurer Law told the House: "It is clear from conditions in Alberta that those who control our banks are either out of touch with the demands of the people or they are deliberately thwarting their will."

The bill would require bankers to take out licenses in Alberta and be subject to the control of the Provincial Credit Commission and local directorates dominated by appointees of the Social Credit Board.

It had been declared many times in the past two years that Social Credit in Alberta was impossible under the Canadian constitution, Mr. Law continued.

"This amounts to saying that poverty and starvation must continue amidst potential plenty, that the people of Alberta must continue to be ground down by debt and oppressive taxation—all because some external authority has been permitted to invade the province, armed with powers which they have gained as the outcome of the arrangements of confederation. And to impose upon our people conditions absolutely opposed to their sovereign will. That is tyranny—it is not democracy."

The government's bank control bill does not apply to the Bank of Canada, it was announced today by Provincial Treasurer Law.

The central bank, controlled by the Dominion government, has a branch in Calgary and when the control bill was introduced yesterday it was taken for granted its definition of banking would apply to the Bank of Canada.

The definition was as follows: "Business of banking means the receipt of money on current or deposit account, the payment and collection of checks drawn by, or paid in by customers, the making of advances or the granting of overdrafts to customers."

The provincial treasurer also announced the definition of banking would take in trust companies and other financial institutions operating in Alberta but companies would be tested individually. He said it would not apply to the savings branch of the federal post office or the annuities branch of the labor department. Curtailment of credit was seen to day as a possible consequence of the government's attempt to license control chartered banks operating in Alberta.

Canadian chartered banks operate under federal licenses which in the past have recognized no provincial boundaries. No province has challenged federal control in the past.

"It sounds like a quite sensible

move," stated Major C. H. Douglas, father of Social Credit, today in commenting on the Alberta government bill to license bankers operating in Alberta and control some of their activities.

He added that "we can only wait and see" what would be the effect of the government's decision.

THE WEST

(Continued from Page One) point of view alone, the good lands are a good investment to the country, let alone the human element."

West Will Repay Compared with the period 1918-1929, the farmers lost, if prices were the same, \$1,000,000,000 in the years 1929-1936, and even then relief was only \$1,000,000.

Mr. Taggart justified expenditure by way of relief to farmers by saying there was a return. They, in themselves, were an investment. When they will begin to pay dividends is another matter.

Government Expenditures

In the fiscal year ended March 31 the Dominion Government spent for drought relief throughout the entire West an estimated \$13,500,000. In 1936 the Saskatchewan Government alone bought \$4,000,000 worth of feed to carry farm stock through the winter. This spring it paid out \$80,000,000 for seed. Figuratively, not one nickel will be returned this year.

Given another good crop, the Province will be back on its feet. The farmers are indebted to municipalities, who in turn are indebted only to the Government. Fortunately, during the formative years of the Province's history municipalities went ahead on a pay-as-you-go basis, and today none is in debt beyond its balance to the Province.

To Mass Exodus

There is no question of abandoning any areas, with the exception of the return to rangeland of the sand areas. These are being closed out gradually. But there is no mass exodus, and such talk is nonsense, say these "dry" farmers.

During the first few years of the drought a certain number went north, trekking overland. They went to the bush country to the north, where there were fish in the streams and moisture aplenty. But again they made the same mistake, this time of trying to farm lands that were little more than muskegs. As a result there are some 5,000 families on re-

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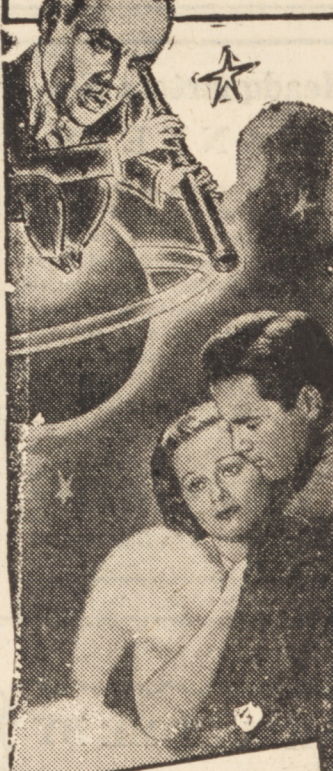
Ref in Northern Saskatchewan, all of whom moved out of the south.

Today this movement has stopped. If a farmer has a definite location to which he wishes to move the Government will inspect this location and, if it is satisfactory, will help pay his moving expenses, but otherwise there is no help and no encouragement of this idea.

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