

The Minister also announced the appointment of Mr. Carleton Craig as Chief Superintendent of the Canadian Armament Research and Development Establishment, Valcartier, Que. Mr. Craig is on loan for two years from McGill University, where he is Vice Principal of Dawson College and Associate Professor of Civil Engineering and Applied Mechanics.

He succeeds Dr. W.B. Littler, FRCS, of London, England, who has been on loan to the Defence Research Board from the British Ministry of Supply. Dr. Littler returned to the United Kingdom last month after serving in DRB for the past two years.

Rains Improve Crops: Rains have fallen over wide areas of the Prairie Provinces. Crop prospects in Manitoba remain generally excellent and material improvement is indicated in some sections of Saskatchewan and Alberta. Grain stands in Manitoba are heavy in most areas with nearly all early-seeded fields heading or in head. Rain is required, however, in the south-central portion of the Province around Morden where moisture supplies are still poor and lowered grain yields are anticipated.

Moisture conditions are much improved in the central part of Saskatchewan but the situation is little changed in the dry south-central and south-western districts.

Although the rains brought some relief to the drought affected areas in east-central Alberta, it is still too early to determine to what extent the crops have benefited.

Grasshoppers have been kept quite well in check in the affected areas of all three provinces. Sawflies are in full flight in southern Alberta and, while susceptible varieties of grain are severely infested, it is too early to determine the extent of the damage.

Crop prospects in Ontario remain considerably below average as a result of the recent prolonged drought.

In Quebec conditions are about average over most of the Province and the outlook is considered generally satisfactory.

I.L.O. At Geneva: The International Labour Organization's Governing Body at Geneva on June 30 approved establishment of a fact-finding and conciliation commission on freedom of association, for the purpose of international supervision of freedom of association, as suggested in proposals submitted by I.L.O. Director-General David A. Morse.

Across Canada: The Minister of Finance, Mr. Abbott, left last night by air for London, England, to attend the Commonwealth Conference....P. D. Ross, publisher of the Ottawa Journal for 61 years, died at his home yesterday at the age of 91....Two airmen from R.C.A.F.'s No. 400 squadron stationed at Toronto were killed yesterday when their aircraft crashed near Picton, Ontario.