

PRESIDENT PLEADS FOR POWERFUL NAVY

Address to Conference at Newport—His Yacht in Collision

Newport, July 22.—Pleading for popular support for a "first class fighting navy," a navy capable of seeking out the enemy and "hammering him into quits," President Roosevelt was the central figure here today in the most notable conference of American naval officers ever called together to consult and discuss the broad general way the features of future U. S. battleships.

During this session the President took a leading part in the discussions. Arguing as a layman, he explained that he did not attempt to give advice to professional men. He impressed upon the officials, however, that it was given to them to keep the American navy abreast of the times and make it the hard-hitting, efficient force which he believed to be a guarantee against the possibility of war.

The President sailed for Oyster Bay this afternoon for a battleship conference which will continue here and at Washington until definite plans to be laid down for the near future are decided upon.

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FARMERS LOOK FOR PROSPEROUS SEASON

Fraser Valley Points Report Prospect of Bountiful Harvest

New Westminster, July 22.—Reports from all parts of the Fraser Valley today are to the effect that a bumper crop will be gathered throughout the district this year and that the season will probably prove one of the most prosperous the farmers have had for a long time.

The crops are heavy in most parts of the valley and although the yield is not as large in some parts as was expected, yet if the harvesting weather continues the crop on the whole will be well above the average.

Surrey reports good crops, the recent rains having helped to make a good one. Haying is in full swing.

Chilliwack will have one of the best years in its history and the farmers are making great preparations for the harvest and only unfavorable weather can prevent their expectations being fully realized.

Pitt Meadows are producing a heavy crop this year, too, while the neighboring district of Maple Ridge, which is famed for its fruit, is reaping a splendid harvest from strawberries to apples.

The only section that has suffered at all from high water is Sumas, but the damage has been slight owing to the fact that no grain or roots are grown on the undiked lowlands, which are the only portions flooded.

TROUBLE IN NORTH OVER FISHERY LAWS

Fishermen Are at Loggerheads With the Authorities of the Dominion

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UPRISING AGAINST SULTAN'S TYRANNY

Insurrectionary Movement in Macedonia—Only a Beginning

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DESPERATE ROBBERS USE PISTOLS FREELY

Three Men Shot Down in a Crowded Bar-Room—Police Officers Wounded

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