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The Crop Report From Saskatchewan Changes; Yield Less Than Estimates

Province Honeycombed With Rust and Estimate of Yield Per Acre is Reduced to Twelve to Fourteen Bushels

Toronto, Aug. 26.—Norman Lambert, the Globe's resident correspondent in western Canada, wires from Regina as follows: Exactly one week ago, when your correspondent reported from this point, the department of agriculture for Saskatchewan was of the opinion that, despite the damage from rust, hail and frost, a good average crop of wheat, yielding from eighteen to twenty bushels an acre, would be harvested in this province. Now there is a different story.

Explaining the situation, the provincial minister of agriculture said that although rust was known to have been present in the grain fields in nearly every locality in the province, it was thought that in the more northerly districts, particularly the ripening of the wheat and the filling out of the heads would proceed so rapidly that the kernels of grain would reach a fair degree of maturity before the rust would be able to cut off all nutriment passing to them through the stalk.

SAYS ARREST WAS ORDERED BY KITCHENER

Case of Officer Who Ordered Shooting in Dublin

SOME NEWS COMES OUT

Sir Frances Patrick Vane Writes of the Skiffington Matter—Says He Himself Laid Case Before Late War Secretary

London, Aug. 26.—In connection with an inquiry now proceeding into the execution of F. Sheehy Skiffington and his two companions during the Dublin riots, the Dublin weekly Socialist organ, the Clarion, publishes some "expressions" from the Irish rebel, by Major Sir Francis Patrick Vane, founder of the world order of Socialists and a distinguished soldier and statesman.

Bulgars Capture Greek Fort; Slay Garrison

Paris, Aug. 26.—The Bulgarians have attacked and captured the Greek fort of Sterlia, after killing its commander, Chanas, and the entire garrison, which offered spirited resistance, says a Saloniki despatch to the Matin.

PERSONALS

Mr. Harry W. Moore, Miss Muriel Tower and Mrs. M. L. West have returned to the city after a very pleasant vacation in eastern New Brunswick.

Mrs. West will spend a few weeks with her sister-in-law, Mrs. H. W. Tower, before returning to her home in Lynn, Mass.

E. H. S. Flood, Canadian trade and commerce commissioner in the West Indies is in the city spending his vacation.

Miss Haas and Miss Ward of East St. John will return home this evening after visiting friends in Rochester, N. B. Dr. James Leonard of Mansfield, O., superintendent of the reformatory at that place, is visiting relatives in Fairview.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Maher, of Rochester, Mass., arrived in the city yesterday from Dixley, N. Y., where they spent a few weeks in St. John, previous to returning to Boston.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Barker of Brooklyn, N. Y., are visiting Mr. Barker's mother, Mrs. S. H. Barker at Loch Lomond, Mr. Barker was at one time employed in the city but left for the states a few years ago. He was recently married to a Brooklyn lady and his wife are now here on a short trip.

Mrs. George Flood returned to the city on Thursday after visiting relatives in Campbellton.

Frederick Gleason—Mrs. F. W. Daniel, of St. John, is among the visitors to the city this week. Mrs. Daniel came to the city to see her grandmother, Mrs. G. E. Pease, who is ill at her residence, Charles street.

Newcastle Address—Mrs. Ellis A. Harris, who has been spending a few weeks in the city, left for Newcastle, N. B., yesterday to spend the winter with her niece, Miss Stuart Mitchell, 27 Westworth street, St. John.

HOW TO JOIN THE AVIATION CORPS

Owing to enquiries being received regarding the aviation corps, Major L. P. D. Tilley gives particulars about the unit which he received from the states.

It is to be hoped that an opportunity is open for unattached lieutenants and supernumerary lieutenants to join the aviation corps. Those desiring to do so should apply to the chief recruiting officer in Halifax. After an applicant is accepted as a candidate he must proceed to make arrangements for his own instruction either in Canada or the United States.

As there is a school in Toronto this morning, Pte. Edward Derrick, who has been at the front with the 4th Canadian Mounted Rifles. He was one of the few members of the unit that came through the heavy fighting of the battle of Vimy.

Two interesting reports about the British are given in the issue of the 26th. One is that of a recruiting officer in Fredericton. The other is that of a recruiting officer in St. John.

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Forecasts Great Stroke By Allies on The Vardar

Rumania is the Crux of the Great Situation, Says French Publicist; He Believes Bucharest Will Join the Conflict and Help Crush Bulgaria

News of Maritime Men In The War

Bliss H. Kinnear of Cookville, N. B., has joined the colors. Mr. Kinnear gave up his position on the Calgary Municipal street railway to enlist in the 78th Battalion Canadian Field Artillery, Calgary, Alberta.

The Beacon Fire

The trestle at Carri's Mountain that is to be used for the opening of the re-entraining campaign for the Killis in this county, was completed last evening. A party of soldiers under Transport Section Fred Lawry have been engaged in this work for two days and the trestle will be ready for inspection by Lieut. Col. Guthrie today. It is 30 feet high and will serve as a model for the others that are to be erected throughout the province for a similar purpose.

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To Join the Killis

Sergt. N. Cameron McParlane, of Fredericton, and Corp. Fred W. D. Wetmore, of Carleton county, both of whom have been in this work for two days, are en route to Canada to take commissions with the 28th Battalion.

Sergt. McParlane, who is to be one of the lieutenants in the York county platoon of the Killis, has been on the firing line with the Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry.

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BLINDED MAN LEST HE FIND SLAIN WIFE

Police Seek Landlord, Intimated With Pretty Tenant, as Murderer and Assault; Only Postcard as Clue

New York, Aug. 26.—Some one threw muriatic acid in the face of John Schlapin, an interior decorator, as he entered the apartment house at 810 West Twenty-ninth street, and Detective O'Connell and Cooper have begun a perfunctory investigation supposing that Schlapin, who is in the New York Eye and Ear Infirmary—might have been the victim of a jealous woman. In a few hours however they had found the body of Lillie Westchamp, a pretty young woman with whom Schlapin had lived in the Twenty-ninth street house as Mr. and Mrs. Schlapin.

Mrs. Schlapin looked up the man who had and learned enough to start them looking for Alois Hauswitzer Schlapin's landlord.

Hauswitzer who lived with his invalid wife baby and sister-in-law in 819 West Twenty-ninth street had been seen with the young woman the police say on the day the Schlapins moved in, four weeks ago. His attention has been so marked that they had planned to move. Hauswitzer learned of it and the police believe now that he called on the woman, struck her on the head with a weapon and then strangled her while she was senseless. There was a wound on her head and a yellow sock the mate of which, the police say they found in Hauswitzer's room, had small pieces, were scattered over the floor. The police believe Hauswitzer waited for Schlapin on the front steps and tried to blind him before he could enter the flat and discover the murder.

A postcard arrived from Hauswitzer to his wife, in which he wrote: "There is nothing in the newspapers, yet, but I am guilty. My life is ruined, I hope our baby gets better pleasure during its life and that you will be happy with the baby. Do not use my name for the baby."

The detectives would not tell where the card had been posted. Later they arrested William Borrows, an elevator runner, fifty-one years old, who lives at 810 West Twenty-ninth street, as a material witness.

INVENT A NEW GUNPOWDER

Two American Soldiers Credited With Discovery in Philippines

Washington, Aug. 26.—Army officials are interested in reports from Manila of the successful trial of a new and powerful kind of gunpowder invented by two troopers of the Ninth Cavalry. According to this information the new powder, which was invented by William T. Kyle and James C. Mearns, cost the cost of the powder now used for rifle cartridges. It is smokeless.

The powder is made in a small test in a regulation army rifle at Fort Camp Stotsenburg, near Manila, and sent a steel bullet half way through an inch of solid steel. It says that at 1,000 yards it is only necessary to use the regulation 100 yards elevation of the gun. If this is true it is more powerful than the powder now used by the army.

Arnell is from Cincinnati and Return from London

GERMANY IS BUILDING 780-FOOT ZEPPELINS

Each Can Carry Five Tons of Bombs and Cruise 3,000 Miles; Two Already Completed

London, Aug. 26.—In a speech delivered at Bury St. Edmunds, Baron Montagu, former vice-chancellor of the Admiralty and military board, told of new monster super-Zeppelins which Germany was building.

Germany was building a number of the super-Zeppelins which Germany is building. The principal features of the craft are a capacity of 2,000,000 cubic feet, a length of 780 feet, a beam of eighty feet and a maximum speed of thirty miles an hour and a radius of action of 3,000 miles. The engines, six or seven of them, have a total of 15,000 horse power.

The airships can carry a load of bombs of five tons, and are able to ascend 17,000 feet. They are armed with machine guns at bow and stern and on top of the envelope. They carry a crew of thirty-five men.

These particulars show how largely the Germans are relying on Zeppelins as a means for harassing us. Two of these new craft have already been completed and four will be available in October.

INSANE MEN FOUND IN MUNITIONS PLANT

They Had Escaped From Danvers State Asylum and Secured Jobs

Woburn, Aug. 21.—Two or three weeks ago two men, who gave their names as Irving Christie, aged twenty, of Melrose, and John Cooke, aged twenty, of Boston, applied for and were given work at the munition plant of the New England Manufacturing Company.

They secured a boarding place in this vicinity, and everything seemed all right, until their landlady found that their undergarments showed the stamp of the state asylum for the insane at Danvers. The more the landlady pondered upon her discovery the more nervous she became, and finally she notified the authorities. The officers at the Danvers asylum then made inquiries and from them it was learned that three inmates, who escaped a few weeks ago, were still at large. The officers came here and identified the unknown as two of the missing trio.

The men were of mildly insane type, and offered no resistance when ordered to accompany the officials. One of them remarked that the craziest thing they did was to retain the stamped underclothing. The officers of the company breathed easier when they saw the men depart.

FUNERAL TOMORROW

The funeral of Mrs. Harriet J. Craft will be held from 128 Water street, West End, tomorrow afternoon, service at 8:30, no Watson street as was announced.

VITAL STATISTICS

Fourteen marriages and the birth of three boys and three girls were reported to Registrar J. B. Jones this week.

P. E. I. CONSERVATIVES RE-NOMINATE PRESENT MEMBERS FOR QUEENS

Charlottetown, P.E.I., Aug. 26.—A. A. McLean and Donald Nicholson, Conservative members of the House of Assembly, were re-nominated at a convention here yesterday.

Two other names were before the convention, but they were not supported. The ballot was: Nicholson 195; McLean 174; Martin 123; Brown 111. There was great interest in the convention throughout the province.

THE MARKET

One of the largest markets of the season is that of today. There is an abundance of everything, with the possible exception of eggs. Berries are in abundance, blueberries selling for eight cents and raspberries for fifteen cents a box. Rock crabs are selling for twelve cents a quart. Eggs are 40 cents a dozen, butter thirty-two cents a pound. Poultry is twenty-five to twenty-eight cents a pound; chickens \$1 to \$1.75 a pair; lamb, which is still dropping in price, seventeen to twenty-four cents; veal, fourteen to twenty cents and pork twenty-two cents a pound retail. The usual large supply of vegetables is in evidence and the prices are about the same as last week.

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DUENES DEATHS

Eleven deaths were reported to T. M. Dunne, secretary of the Board of Health, for the last week; two from senility and one each from diabetes, consumption, heart disease, defective vision, bronchitis, pneumonia, acute nephritis, acute gastro-enteritis, sclerosis of the cord and arterio-sclerosis.

MADE \$8.50

Misses Rita Kane, Gladys Kane, Josephine Kane and Mary Hogan raised the sum of \$8.50 at a bazaar on Wednesday. The proceeds were passed over to Mrs. W. E. Scully, president of the Assumption Circle, West St. John.