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COMPETITION RESULTS.

Two winners in Competition No. 1 divide the prizes of £3 between them, receiving £1 10s. each.

The lucky list senders are as follows: 1024287 Pte. W. S. DRUGAN, 3rd Can. Inf. Bn., Can. Special Hospital, Palace Hotel, Buxton.

1418 Sergt. S. J. Stainer, 31 Bedford Square, W.C. 1.

The last lines adjudged the best in Competition No. 2 appear below:—

A smart young fellow from Saskatoon, An observer was in a gas balloon;

Till a Fritzie one day, Came round that way,

'gloom.

No flowers, by request, interment at noon.

First prize awarded to 1024287 Pte.

W. S. DRUGAN, 3rd Can. Inf. Bn.,
Can. Special Hospital, Buxton.

But his parachute worked "joy" otherwise

Second prize awarded to 2138347 Pte. J. W. Abbott, Can. Com. Hospital, Hut 98, Woodcote Park, Epsom, England.

No correct solutions have yet been received in regard to the Chess Problem, Competition No. 3. The prize is still to be won.

SASKATCHEWAN CROPS.

Some interesting comparisons are made in the final estimates of crop acreage and live stock returns recently completed by the Saskatchewan Department of Agriculture. The acreage under wheat has been increased from 8,273,253 acres in 1917 to 9,249,260 acres seeded this year, an increase of almost one million acres, notwithstanding an acute labor shortage; 614,980 acres of new prairie land were broken in 1918, as against 431,698 acres in 1917. Rye is becoming more and more a standard crop each year. A few

years ago the acreage sown was so small that the amount could hardly be estimated, but this year about 123,500 acres were seeded with this valuable cereal.

The total acreage under wheat in Saskatchewan in 1918 was 9,249,260; oats, 4,988,499; barley, 699,296; flax, 840,957; rye, 123,500; peas, 4,251; beans, 861; buckwheat, 1,207; mixed grains, 23,449; other grains, 27,347. In root crops there were: Potatoes, 59,793 acres; turnips, 5,622; mangolds, 1,806; other roots, 2,332. In feed crops there were, in corn, 11,186 acres; hay, 315,117 acres, and pasture, 933,862; alfalfa, 6,943, and other crops, 40,504. The total summer fallow was 4,060,801, and new breaking, 614,980. This gives a total acreage under cultivation of 22,016,139.

The live stock estimates show a gratifying increase over 1917 in all departments for 1918: Horses, 1,000,076; cattle, 1,279,551; sheep, 134,177; swine, 521,240; poultry, 8,000,369.

Mick and Mac find peace terms difficult.

