

CROP REPORTS NOT ALL GOOD

Potatoes Not Encouraging While Late Grains Are Only Fair

MUCH PLOUGHING DONE

Move in Some Quarters to Revive Cheese Factories—Pay Better

Following is a summary of reports made by the Agricultural Representatives to the Ontario Department of Agriculture:

Farmers are busy harvesting their grain, although many have practically finished with spring wheat and barley, which have been cut unusually early this season. Oats are now being handled, and are rather disappointing on the whole, the heads being comparatively light in the filling and the straw short. Complaints of rust are also common.

Reports regarding potatoes are not encouraging, as very few fields have a good appearance.

Corn and head crops are doing very well since the rains of the last two weeks.

Wheat and alfalfa is proving to be a fair sample in the threshing.

Lincoln reports considerable seab of apples even in well sprayed orchards. Norfolk says that buyers are already going through that county buying apples on the trees, and that prices are better than those paid a year ago.

Lincoln also reports that some Greenboro and Triumph peaches are being offered in limited quantities.

Hay is quoted at prices ranging from \$18 a ton for baling in Oxford to \$25 in Glenora. Leeds says that some farmers in that county are bringing in hay at prices ranging from \$27 to \$30 according to the point of destination.

Owing to the early harvest a good deal of land already has been plowed for fall wheat. The soil has been working nicely. It looks also as if more summer fallowing than usual will be done.

Peterboro reports that many wells have gone dry, and that some farmers have difficulty in watering their stock.

Recent rains have revived pastures considerably and caused an improvement in the milk flow.

Brant says that there is an agitation on foot in some parts of the county to have the old cheese factories start up again, as the price of cheese is relatively better than that of milk. Cheese sold on the Perth Board on Friday at from 24 to 24 1/2 cents a pound.

Bruce reports a demand for stockers for winter feeding. Grey also thinks that as many cattle as usual will be fed. Peterboro says: "The cattle going to market are for the most part in thin condition. Three mixed cars were marketed during the week. Cattle sold around 6 a pound, lambs \$10.20 a cwt, and hogs \$12.25 a cwt. Waterloo says that one garrat, or near Galt has brought in a carload of cattle which cost him \$34 a pound in Winnipeg. Since is of opinion that farmers are taking more interest in the hog business and are making an effort to increase their breeding stock in this line.

CHILD AT NAPANEE IS HIT BY A MOTOR

Rushed to Kingston General Hospital—Victim is Four Years of Age

NAPANEE, Aug. 4.—Allan Cornwall, four-year-old son of Charles Cornwall, Napanee, was knocked down and run over by an automobile at the corner of John and Bridge streets. The little lad was in the company of a girl and ran out directly in front of the car, which was being driven by Ralph Sills, son-in-law of J. E. Robinson, ex-mayor of Napanee. Before Mr. Sills could stop the car the radiator had knocked the child down and the wheels of the car had passed over his body. Medical assistance was summoned and the little child was rushed to the Kingston General Hospital with Dr. Simpson and Dr. Stratton in attendance.

STOCKSTILL WAS RIGHT

Follow With Odd Name Seems to Like a Joke

ZION, Ill., Aug. 4.—Smoking a pipe in Zion cost Frederick Stockstill \$65 today. This city which has ordinances regulating women's dress and how its residents shall spend Sunday also has a ban against smoking.

"This thing must stop," a judge remarked when he fined Stockstill. "Stop," Stockstill replied, "I'm as 'stopped' as my name would indicate."

VANCOUVER-BELLEVILLE PICNIC HELD 300 FROM THIS DISTRICT WERE PRESENT

RE-UNION TURNS OUT GREAT SUCCESS

(Specially Written for The Ontario)

VANCOUVER, July 27.—The big day is over—everybody has gone home tired and happy—the picnic was a success in every respect, thanks to the untiring efforts of the Committee in charge, and the peculiar faculty Bellevillians have of enjoying themselves when on pleasure bent.

In the last crowd you were told how four thugs from Belleville, accidentally met on a street corner and concocted the idea of a picnic, and how a meeting was called where a small gathering completed the details and formed a committee to engineer it—well, the result exceeded by far the most optimistic expectations of our greatest super-ultra-optimist. Some gink had a brainstorm once and said:

Little drops of water, Little lakes of snow, Little creeks and rivulets, To mighty rivers grow.

That's us—over 300 former residents of Belleville and the Bay of Quinte District turned out, and a glorious day was spent.

It will be noted the first date selected—last Wednesday—the 29th, but old Jupiter Pluvius had forgotten to mark that date on his scratch pad and inadvertently turned on the waterworks, which effectually put the kibosh on all our plans. However, the diehards from Hastings County could not be dismayed—the picnic was postponed for a week—due notice sent to the weather man that he had another chance to retrieve himself, and this morning Old Sol not only smiled on us—he laughed right out, and the day was perfect.

A book could be written on the happenings—here and there would be seen little bunches of old timers chuckling among themselves of humorous instances recalled from bygone days. The kids had a wonderful time—there was slathers of ice cream and good things to eat, and it was a common sight to see a silver haired greybird with a piece of berry pie in one hand and a cone in the other trying to accomplish an old time feat of his boyhood—and with surprising success too.

Col. H. D. Hulme was the spokesman of the day, and his pleasing personality and witty sallies soon put everybody at their ease, and all entered into the spirit of the day like a bunch of school kids again.

Sports there were in plenty, and while the youngsters excelled themselves, the old timers were the surprise of the day. The results as shown below speak for themselves:

The list of prize winners follows: 100 yard dash for boys—Keith McLean, Frayne Gordon, Don Strachan; 50 yards, girls—Beatrice Wolf, Ruth Jones, Doris Castlow; 50 yds. married ladies—Mrs. B. D. McCoy, Mrs. Donald MacLean; fifty yards, young ladies—Mary Cook, Kathleen Terrill; 50 yards, girls—Pauline Craig, Dorothy Armstrong, Helen Dobbs; 100 yards, married men—W. S. Nason, Robt. Hay; 50 yards, boys—Hugh Wakeley, Frank Cook, James Haughton; Old Timers' race—J. M. Bowell; boys' three-legged race—Jack McLean, James Haughton; 100 yard shoe race—Pauline Craig, Helen Dobbs; 100 yard specialist, married ladies—Mrs. F. G. Lewis; 100 yards, men over 50 years—Col. H. D. Hulme.

After the sports were over, all assembled for a group photograph, taken by Art Weeks, a copy of which will be forwarded to you under separate cover, and in which will be recognized many familiar faces. Then came the most important event of the day—supper. The ladies, bless their hearts, had spread and daintily decorated twelve huge tables, which were loaded to capacity with eats fit for the gods, and when all were seated not a vacant place was to be seen. Willing hands dispensed huge growlers full of tea and coffee, while pleasant bandinage was exchanged all around. After everyone had satisfied himself to the point of surfeit, there was sufficient left over to make a handsome donation of most delicious pies and cake, fruit and other good things to one of the local charitable organizations.

Thus ended the first annual picnic of Belleville Old Boys in Vancouver. It was a huge success, owing principally to the untiring efforts of the committee in charge—Bert McCoy, Miss L. Craig, Mrs. D. McLean, Mrs. W. H. Gordon, Howard Butterfield, Cecil Armstrong, Bob Hay, Chas. Lang, Col. Hulme, Walter Dobbs and others who volunteered their services for special duties as required.

During the progress of supper, it was moved, seconded and unanimously carried that a message of greeting be sent to the folks at home through the Mayor, and accordingly the following was dispatched:

"To the Mayor and Citizens Belleville, Ont. "Resolution passed by three hundred Old Boys and Girls from Belleville and Bay of Quinte District here assembled in beautiful Stanley Park, Vancouver, on their first annual picnic carries greetings and good wishes to the folks at home."

Following is a list of those present: Mrs. S. F. Armstrong, Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Armstrong, Miss Anderson, Mrs. W. W. Bird, J. D. Breeze, Miss E. G. Breeze, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Butterfield, Mrs. R. S. Beatty, Miss Kathleen Beatty, J. M. Bowell, Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Bird, W. H. Bentley, Mrs. J. A. Barr, Mrs. Bell, Mrs. Fred Cook, Mr. G. A. Caverley, Mrs. Sara Clapp, Mrs. A. M. Curry, Mrs. R. J. Christian, Mrs. Robt. Close, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Craig, J. W. Campbell, W. H. Cook, J. E. Campbell, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Clair, Mr. Ken Phillips, Mr. and Mrs. B. P. Dickens, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Dobbs, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Dickens, Mr. and V. M. Dafeo, Mrs. L. M. Dafeo, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Easterbrook, Mr. and James F. Elliott, Mrs. George Easterbrook, Mrs. W. C. Easterbrook, Mrs. M. Elliott, E. W. Elliott, Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Frailek, Mrs. George Frost, Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Foster, Mrs. James Finley, Mrs. Lazenbee, Mrs. C. Fitchett, Mrs. Mary Fraser, Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Fairman, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Gordon, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Watson, Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Gordon, Mr. and Mrs. G. Glass, Miss M. E. Glass, Mrs. Willard Garratt, Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Given, Mr. and Mrs. Wilbert H. Garratt, Mr. and Mrs. James Haughton, Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Hay, Col. H. B. Hulme, Mrs. H. C. Hunt, Miss Jessie Hunt, Mrs. Eriam Ashley, Mr. Wm. Johnson, of Johnston, Ryan Jones, Mr. and Mrs. K. H. Jones, Mrs. Kenney, Miss Ethel Keith, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Keith, G. S. Ketcheson, Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Ketcheson, Mr. W. H. Lynn, Toronto, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Lewis, Mr. and Mrs. Frank G. Lewis, D. Lloyd, Miss Margaret Lloyd, W. C. Lawrence, J. Albert Moon, George C. Martin, Sr., George C. Martin, Jr., Mrs. L. Macken, Mrs. W. L. Macdonald, Robt. Matheson, Kewona, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Miller, Mr. and Mrs. J. Middleton, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Murray, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Nastors, Mr. and Mrs. Merrill, Mr. and Mrs. D. B. McCoy, Mr. and Mrs. Donald McLean, Miss A. M. Neilson, Mrs. J. Neilson, Mrs. W. S. Mason, Rev. H. S. Osborne, Mr. and Mrs.

RIFLE SHOTS SANK CRAFT

Napanee Police Seeking Man, on Island in Bath Lake, Who Fired

ORDERED FISHERS AWAY

Alleged that Barclay Thompson is His Name—Two Men Near Death

The Napanee police are looking for an aged man who, it is alleged, has "squatted" on an island on Bath Lake, and who is driving off fishermen in that district.

The man, whose name is given as Barclay Thompson, is believed to be insane. It is alleged that on Sunday last he fired several shots at two fishermen on the island, and that there came very near being a catastrophe when the boat, in which the men were fishing, was sunk, as a result of shots fired into the small craft, by the man on the island.

According to the story from Napanee, the old man has been ordering every fisherman away. It appears that last Sunday a man named Woods from Roblin, and a man named Whynshaw, of Napanee, were fishing there, when ordered off by Thompson.

It is charged that Thompson fired several shots at the men while they were fishing in the boat. The shot hit the fishing pole Woods was holding. Several other shots were fired, and the shooting resulted in the sinking of the boat, and the two men were left stranded on a big rock in the lake. They coaxed Thompson to take them off to the main land, and, after a time, he came to their rescue, but after he got them on the land, he told them to keep away, and it is alleged, that he threatened to kill them if they ever came there to fish again.

36,000,000 HORSES EATEN

Meat Now So Scarce in Russia Only Sick Get It

NEW YORK, Aug. 4.—Russian horses, which numbered thirty-six million before the war, have practically disappeared, having been eaten by the famished population. It was revealed today in Russian newspapers published in Moscow and received here by the American relief administration.

Meat had grown so scarce, more than a month ago, that it was rationed only to hospital patients.

TO ERECT BUILDING

Kingston General Hospital to Have Contagious Diseases Building in Connection

Kingston.—The civic finance committee has been called to meet to confer with the building committee of the General Hospital. It is intended to start the erection of the new contagious disease building this coming fall. This is the building that the city of Kingston is paying for, a by-law having been passed over a year ago for the issue of debentures to the amount of \$150,000 when a start was made.

SNOW IN AUSTRALIA

LONDON, Aug. 4.—A Reuter cable from Melbourne says the entire state of Victoria has experienced very heavy weather, including a considerable snowfall, followed by rain.

TO MEET NOV. 11

WASHINGTON, Aug. 4.—The Washington conference on Limitation of Armament and Pacific questions will meet at high noon on Armistice Day.

MOORISH CHIEF ON TOP OFFERS MADRID TERMS

WHI Pacific Spanish-held Territory if he is Made Caliph of It All

PARIS, Aug. 4.—Raisuli, former outlaw leader and chieftain of the rebellious tribesmen in Morocco, is reported to have made an offer to Spain to pacify the entire Spanish part of Morocco on the condition that he be appointed Caliph and Sultan of the territory in question.

LORD BYNG ON HIS WAY

New Governor General Falls for Canada and Likes It

LONDON, Aug. 4.—Lord Byng of Vimy left London today with Lady Byng and the vice-regal party for Liverpool to take the boat for Canada. He had only been through Canada previously as a tourist, he said, but as he had already met so many Canadian when in command of the Canadian corps he felt he was making a familiar journey.

INCREASED ASSESSMENT HERE NOT LIKELY TO MEAN REDUCTION IN TAX RATE FOR PRESENT YEAR

The big increase in assessment for the year 1921 would under normal conditions mean a reduction in the tax rate. But owing to heavy over-draughts last year in several departments, such as in the Gas Department, owing to the repairs to the works, damage to mains by seven excavations and cost of lowering pipes for pavements, the building of a drain to the bay from the works, it is not likely the rate will decline very much.

How far will the Council go in the matter of a grant to the hospital is one of the questions asked by citizens. As a public institution, some of the Council members favor a good sized grant, but others state their intention of opposing any unusual grant.

The Fire Department will require an additional vote this year because of the adoption of the double platform system.

STILL EXIST IN WAR DUG-OUTS.

DVINSK, Latvia, Aug. 4.—Hundreds of families in the war-devastated territory about Dvinsk are still living in the dug-outs used by German and Russian soldiers in the early days of the war.

Little or no progress toward reconstruction has been made in the scores of razed villages because of the poverty of the people who, for a long time after the war between Russia and Germany ended, were under Bolshevik rule.

MAKE THEM CUT WEEDS

City Council Considering Enforcing Law Making Property Owners Liable

JUST PLAIN NUISANCE

Council Itself Responsible for Appearance of all Boulevards and Streets

Harvests may fail for drought in the year 1921, in the whole province, but the private lot weed crop of thistles and every other known obnoxious thing will be at least one hundred per cent.

Citizens are daily making complaint of the abundance of weeds on unused land, the seed from the weeds blowing across to gardens and lawns with disastrous results. The Council has under consideration the passage of a bylaw enforcing the cutting of weeds by property owners on their land.

The care of boulevards on paved and unpaved streets is one of the problems which the City Council is soon to take up. The clipping of the grass and cutting of weeds on the streets is the duty of the city, although many citizens keep the boulevards in front of their property in a fair condition. Others are unexcusably bad, it was pointed out.

City Clerk Holmes said today that the boulevards were under the control of the city.

BOTTLE COST HIM 108.

The Century to the Police and the Eight to a Friend

In police court this morning Magistrate Mason fined a first offender ten dollars and costs for being intoxicated. Another chap was fined one hundred dollars.

He took a drink in a restaurant or hotel, he scarcely knew which, of two per cent, to which he added some alcohol from a bottle. This he claimed he got through a young citizen, who had kept two dollars out of a ten dollar bill.

SAY CHARLES IS BACK

Reports Persist That ex-Emperor Will Try Again

GENEVA, Switzerland, Aug. 4.—Unconfirmed reports still persist that the former Emperor Charles of Austria has left Hortonstein secretly and now is in Hungary awaiting an opportunity to launch a coup d'etat.

It is said that Captain Werkmann, private secretary to Charles, and several of the former monarch's servants already have left for Budapest. It is stated in usually well informed circles that Charles will make an attempt to regain his throne this month, in spite of the warnings of the allies.

STOPPING AMERICANS WORKING AT THE SOO

Only Those Whose Services Are "Real Necessity" Now Permitted to Cross

SAAULT STE. MARIE, Ont., Aug. 4.—The Canadian immigration authorities at this point are tightening up those who live in the Michigan Soo, where rent is cheap, and who work in the factories on this side of the river. A large number who come over on the early ferries have been stopped and turned back, and only those whose services are a real necessity are permitted to enter. The new order of things results from a resolution passed at the last meeting of the City Council, which censured the authorities for permitting outsiders to work here in the face of present and threatened unemployment.

GOOD TIME AT MADOC

A successful garden party was held under the direction of the Catholic Church societies at Madoc, last evening. A number of people were present from Belleville and towns and villages in this vicinity. Rev. Father Rierdon was in charge of the proceedings.

Mrs. (Dr.) Marshall left yesterday, via C.P.R. and Great Lakes for the Pacific Coast. The return trip will be via Yellowstone Park, St. Paul and Chicago.

GUNSIGHT

"I reckon I'm a bit but I hope he make before Applegate shoot. Well, he's one to right now. Shorty a better proposition than Dave came back to the day. "What do you do now?"

The cattlemen look "You damaged much?"

"No."

"Burnt in the sh sack and bossing a "Wore out, I reckon. I feel fine since I two cups of strong coffee. Again Crawford's over his ally. They red-eyed trunk, face arms blackened with smoke. On such a specimen of police would have any on suspicion. But eyes of the cattlemen spirit indomitable the weary, tormented dropped in its track leadership that was to the men who served soul master of its in heart went out to the Wherefore he grinned another job. Strong r at a premium with ford.

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An hour later hal ging men reported f was one of them.

"The ol' man cay more," the rustler e had to hustle Steve out their blankets o Hart. They say Ha bad way. The fire's trail-creek and is the country. He's a trail further back."

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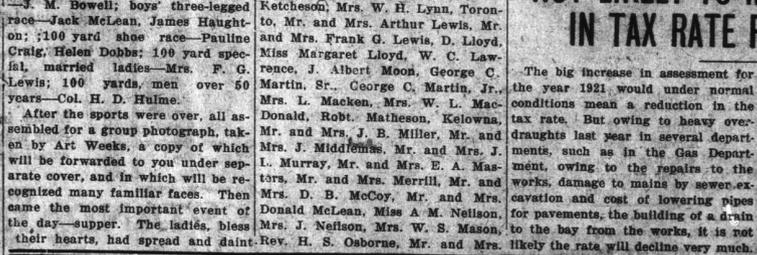
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CHAPTER 3

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"BRINGING UP FATHER" BY GEORGE McMANUS.



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