

## Reduction In Estimates In Grain Crop Yield In Canada

Report on Potatoes in the Various Provinces; United States Crop Very Big, Potatoes to Spare

Ottawa, Oct. 18.—The census and statistics office published yesterday the second or provisional estimate of the yield of the principal grain crops of Canada in 1917, a statement of the quality of these crops at the time of harvesting, and the condition of root crops on Sept. 30.

The estimates of the yield per acre of wheat, oats, barley and flax are somewhat lower than those reported at the end of August, and the reduction applies to all the provinces. The later returns, being based to a large extent, upon threshing results, appear to indicate that the first estimates, based upon the appearance of the crops in the field, were too high.

The total yield of wheat for Canada is now provisionally estimated at 231,730,000 bushels, the average yield per acre being 15 1/2 bushels, as compared with 16 1/2 bushels reported a month ago, and with seventeen bushels, the yield of 1916. Of oats the total yield is 885,570,000 bushels, as compared with 410,211,000 bushels in 1916, the average yield per acre being 29 1/2 bushels in 1917, as compared with 27.80 bushels

## BULK OF SELIGMAN ESTATE TO FAMILY

Estimates of Banker's Property Run Between \$15,000,000 and \$20,000,000

Charity Gifts \$100,000—Thirty-Eight Organizations Will Share in Bequests; Widow and Soldier Son Receive Large Part

New York, Oct. 19.—The will of Isaac Newton Seligman, head of the banking firm of J. & W. Seligman, who died on Sept. 30 as the result of a fall from a horse near his country place at Irvington, disposes of about \$100,000 to thirty-eight religious and charitable organizations, and gives the bulk of his estate of between \$15,000,000 and \$20,000,000 to his family. The largest charitable bequest was \$10,000 to the Solomon and Betty Loeb Memorial Home for Convalescents. His gifts covered a wide range of religious and philanthropic activity.

Mr. Seligman left to his wife, Mrs. Gutta Seligman of 38 West Fifty-fourth street, the income from his residuary estate for life, and upon her death one-half of the principal goes to her son, Lieutenant Joseph Lionel Seligman, now on duty at the camp at Spartanburg, S. C., and the other half is to be disposed of in her will. If she makes no disposition of it the income goes to her daughter, Margaret V. Seligman, who, if she marries, is to receive half the fund outright. Mrs. Seligman also receives all of her husband's paintings, statuary, bric-a-brac and other personal effects in the town house, the country place at Irvington, camp at Upper Saranac Lake, and Willow Brook, at Tarrytown.

Lieutenant Seligman gets \$100,000 outright and Miss Seligman receives a trust fund of \$250,000, with half the principal outright, if she marries. George W. Seligman, lawyer, and Professor Edwin R. A. Seligman of Columbia University, brothers, receive \$25,000 each, and a like sum goes to the testator's sister, Mrs. Frances Hallman of 331 West Seventy-first street.

Mr. Seligman gave \$5,000 each to the following: Columbia University, the Educational Alliance, Mount Sinai Hospital, the Society for Ethical Culture, the United Relief Works of the Ethical Culture Society, which also gets Mr. Seligman's stock in the organization; the Hebrew Technical Institute, United Hebrew Charities, Blytheedale Home, Montefiore Home, Charity Organization Society, and Hebrew Benevolent and Orphan Asylum.

The following organizations got \$2,500 each: Children's Aid Society, New York Association for Improving the Condition of the Poor, Home for Aged and Infirm Hebrews, Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children, and St. John's Guild.

Requests of \$1,000 each went to the following: Young Men's Hebrew Association, Five Points House of Industry, State Charities Aid Association, National League on Urban Conditions Among the Negroes, Babies' Hospital, Sojourners' Truth House, Hebrew Sheltering Guardian Society, Prison Association, Woman's Hospital, Legal Aid Society, Hebrew Technical School for Girls, Fort Valley Industrial School, Tuskegee Normal and Agricultural Institute, Hampton Normal and Agricultural Institute and German Hospital.

The following organizations got \$500 each: Emanuel-El Sisterhood of Personal Service, Roman Catholic Orphan Asylum, St. Mark's Hospital, Presbyterian Hospital, and American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals.

SON OF H. C. McLEOD IS DEAD OF WOUNDS

Had Won Name As Best Pilot In His Air Squadron

Toronto, Oct. 18.—Lieut. Norman McLeod, son of H. C. McLeod, formerly general manager of the Bank of Nova Scotia, and at present in England, died of wounds at No. 4 Casualty Clearing Station on October 14.

Lieut. McLeod was attached to the flying corps, and has made an enviable reputation with that branch of the service. He recently was referred to by his squadron commander as the best pilot in the squadron.

The Limit

"Bill's a terrible sponger."

"Yes?"

"Even laughs at your expense."

## MINISTER WOULD POSTPONE OPENING OF GAME SEASON

Says Present Rules Threaten Extinction of Big Game

May Introduce Legislation

Permission to Store Game Meats After Season Closes Helps To Combat High Cost of Living; Collections Greater This Year

The opinion that the present laws threaten the existence of big game in the province was voiced by Hon. E. A. Smith of St. John, minister of lands and mines in a recent conversation with a representative of The Times.

Hon. Mr. Smith said that too many moose were being shot, and too early in the season, to permit of the proper reproduction of the herds. He believes that the closed season should be extended to October 1 or even to October 15 for the protection of this provincial asset. During the earlier part of the present season the moose still are in the mating mood and are much more easily lured to destruction by the hunter's call than they would be somewhat later. So steadily have the bull moose been killed off that there is now a considerable surplus of cow moose in the woods.

One of the chief objections which the minister has to the early shooting is that the mild weather makes it impossible to conserve the meat and most of it is wasted. September weather makes it impossible to bring out even a fair percentage of the kill and this waste of excellent food it more to be condemned during the present scarcity of beef than ever before. If the season were opened later he believes that fully as much meat would be brought out in the shorter season as under the present regulations. If he can secure sufficient support, Hon. Mr. Smith probably will introduce legislation at the next session to advance the opening date for the big game season.

Hon. Mr. Smith remarked that the reduction of the license fee from \$5 to \$2 will not result in any considerable loss of revenue, if any at all as the number of licenses already issued is nearly double of the total for last year. He does not regard this as indicating a great increase in the amount of hunting, but believes that many are taking out licenses who might not otherwise do so.

An important change in the game laws, provided by an amendment passed at the last session of the legislature, was referred to by Hon. Mr. Smith. He pointed out that the amendment makes it possible for any person to keep in cold storage big game meat for their own use, even after the season has closed.

Formerly it was illegal to keep game in cold storage after the close of the season, even for personal use, but this has been changed and any person who wishes to place a carcass in cold storage for their own consumption during the winter may in this way provide themselves with a liberal stock of meat at comparatively low cost.

It had been suggested that this privilege should be extended to dealers also, in order to conserve the beef supply, but it was decided that this would have the tendency to remove the low priced fresh meat from the market as it comes in and hold it for higher prices later in the year.

Speaking of the crown lands, which are under his jurisdiction, Hon. Mr. Smith said that he expected that existing conditions will make a curtailed lumber cut inevitable during the coming winter.

A tribute to the efficiency of the new administration of the department is shown that the collections to date considerably surpass the total at this time last year.

Serving the Fool-Killer

Another auto driver thought he could beat a train to the crossing. The auto was considerably damaged. No epithets will be written as a consequence of the encounter. But the incident does serve to remind that the fool-killer has delegated a good deal of his work to the auto and the grade crossing in recent years.—Houston Post.

Investments in Liberty bonds probably also will have a decided effect in reducing output of luxuries and freeing men who would be useful in the shipbuilding industry.

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## JIM McNULTY, A LOCAL BOY, WILL PROMOTE A BOXING SHOW IN CALAIS

Has Arranged A Twelve Round Bout Between Joe Irvine of This City And "Batting" Downey of Maine

A boxing show has been arranged for Calais for October 25, or near that date, which will be of interest to fans in St. John.

The main bout of twelve rounds will bring together Batting Downey, Maine middleweight champion, and Joe Irvine, of this city, at catchweights. This month with Joe Lewis of Waterbury, Conn., or Billy Richards of New York,

fact the bout will likely be more evenly contested than if the men were at even weight. Downey is also welterweight champion of Maine and can make 145 pounds if pressed or at least he could up to last winter when he put on weight. He is about 152 pounds now.

Downey is expected to stop the local man before the limit. He has been stopping most of his opponents in Bangor and Portland during the last two years. At Portland not long ago he put Soldier Bolt of the American army to sleep. He is training in Bangor and promises to be in good shape for the Calais bout.

In six round preliminaries will be boxer men and also a pair from this city. The referee will be Wm. McNulty.

Roddy McDonald, Nova Scotia light heavyweight, may meet the winner in Calais in November.

Owing to the absence of Joe Irvine from this city, the date of the Calais show is not yet fixed. Downey expects to have a bout in Bangor later on this month with Joe Lewis of Waterbury, Conn., or Billy Richards of New York,

who boxes around 148 pounds, but can make 142.

The show in Calais will draw a gathering of fans from St. John who have heard of Batting Downey and would like to see him appear. Jim McNulty is matchmaker for the show.

TALK OF FORMING A NEW BASEBALL LEAGUE

Indianapolis, Oct. 16.—A report that within thirty days a new baseball league will be formed, including in its circuit four American Association cities and four International League cities, was current in Indianapolis yesterday. Authority for the report was given as a "man high in the councils of organized baseball."

It is further reported that six baseball magnates who will have teams in the league met in New York last week

and agreed on practically everything necessary. Organization was delayed at that time, it was said, in order that arrangements could be made to satisfy claims of teams now in one of the two leagues which will be left out of the new league.

According to the report, Ed Barrow, now head of the International League, is slated for president of the league. It is said he will have powers almost as broad as those of President Johnson of the American League. The cities which it is said will be in the new circuit are Indianapolis, Columbus, Toledo, Louisville, Buffalo, Toronto, Newark and Baltimore.

CLASS A MEN AND TRIPS OUT OF CANADA

Ottawa, Oct. 19.—Men coming within the first class called out under the military service act will be given permits to leave Canada only if they are able to show that they have complied with the terms of the proclamation.

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