

In addition to this the Government issued instructions that all the R.N.W.M.P. remounts be purchased in the crop failure area, thus affording a cash market for nearly one thousand horses.

But as many would be unable to leave their farms the Government, to meet the situation, divided the area into districts for relief purposes. These districts are the Dominion Lands districts of Moose Jaw, Swift Current, Maple Creek, Lethbridge and Medicine Hat. An official has been placed in charge of each of these districts and with the assistance of the R.N.W.M.P. will provide the settlers with ample food for themselves and families and fodder for their stock where necessary.

There will be no hardship or suffering and no sacrificing of stock or implements necessary for work on next year's crop.

The Government's policy and plan of administration will thus amply protect the settler and keep him on the land, preserving for him his home and the chance of reaping next year the reward which is assured the western farmer.

Hon. Robert Rogers, acting Minister of Interior, has placed this relief work in charge of Mr. Bruce Walker, immigration department, and Mr. Angus McKay, inspector of western experimental farms. Mr. McKay is the foremost authority on farming in the west and his supervision of this important work is a guarantee of satisfaction to the people.

This prompt and efficient action by the Government has successfully met a serious situation which threatened the depopulation of a large area in the West and has protected many settlers in that area from financial ruin and great hardship.

