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STONY PLAIN AND SPRUCE GROVE HAVE GREAT CROPS

More Binder Twine than Was Ever Used Before is Now on Order for Harvest in Country Immediately West of Edmonton—Average Yield of Fall Wheat Will Be Between 30 and 35 Bushels to Acre.

A score of farmers, seen in the districts of Stony Plain, Inga, Rosenthal and Spruce Grove, Thursday, by a representative of the Bulletin who toured the country on a crop inspection trip, expressed satisfaction with the present condition of standing grain and were generally of the opinion that this year's harvest promises to be quite as good if not better than that of last year, which was above the average.

Fields of grain, fall wheat, spring wheat, oats and barley were inspected by the Bulletin representative throughout an itinerary of nearly one hundred miles, and were found to be in a generally satisfactory condition. The promise of the thousands of acres seen in crop seemed equally as good as that of the fields in the Morinville, Riviere Qui Barre, Nampa, and Fort Saskatchewan districts recently inspected by the Bulletin.

Weather Conditions Ideal. The weather conditions in the district east of Edmonton have been ideal from the farmer's standpoint for the last few weeks. There was dryness but no drought in the early part of the season, and the grain is maturing richly and fully. There will not be as much straw as last year, but the grain is standing up better and the ears will perhaps be more full when the grain is ripe for cutting.

Cutting Early in August. By the first of August the swath of the binder will be heard in the land. If the present fine weather for sowing continues, in places fall wheat is beginning to turn on the bottom, and whole fields are assuming a yellowish tinge. Under heavy heads of fall clusters some splendid stands of grain now bend over with the appearance of being fully formed. The crop will probably be the earliest harvested on record.

High Averages. Oats will probably yield an average of over forty bushels to the acre in the grain growing district east of Edmonton. Yield of fifty and sixty bushels to the acre, however, will be common, judging from present indications. Just how good this crop will be may be deduced from the fact that in ten years the average for the province of Alberta has but one crop as high as forty bushels to the acre.

Above Twenty Bushels. Fall wheat will reach in many instances as high as thirty to thirty-five bushels to the acre. The average will be well above twenty bushels to the acre, on a conservative estimate. Not a field of fall wheat was seen by the Bulletin representative

WOMAN ATTACKED IN WEST END RESIDENCE

An Unknown Intruder Forces His Way Into House on Sixteenth Street and Strikes Down Woman—She Becomes Unconscious and the Man Leaves the House.

A dastardly attack was made Tuesday afternoon about three o'clock by an unknown man on Mrs. George Douglas, who lives north of the C. N. R. tracks on Sixteenth street. While she was alone in the house, she was attacked by a man about 30 years of age and of medium height, slightly under the influence of liquor, called at the house and asked for a drink of water. This she gave him and he then attempted to assault her.

Forced His Way In. She endeavored to shut the door on him, but he forced his way into the house. She then ran to an inner room and got a revolver and pointed it at the intruder. It was empty, however, and he managed to wrest it from her.

She then threw a bottle at him but he struck her down and she fainted. The man evidently was frightened when she became unconscious and left the house.

Unconscious for Some Time. Mrs. Douglas remained unconscious for some time. When she came to she reported the attempted assault to her husband and the police were notified.

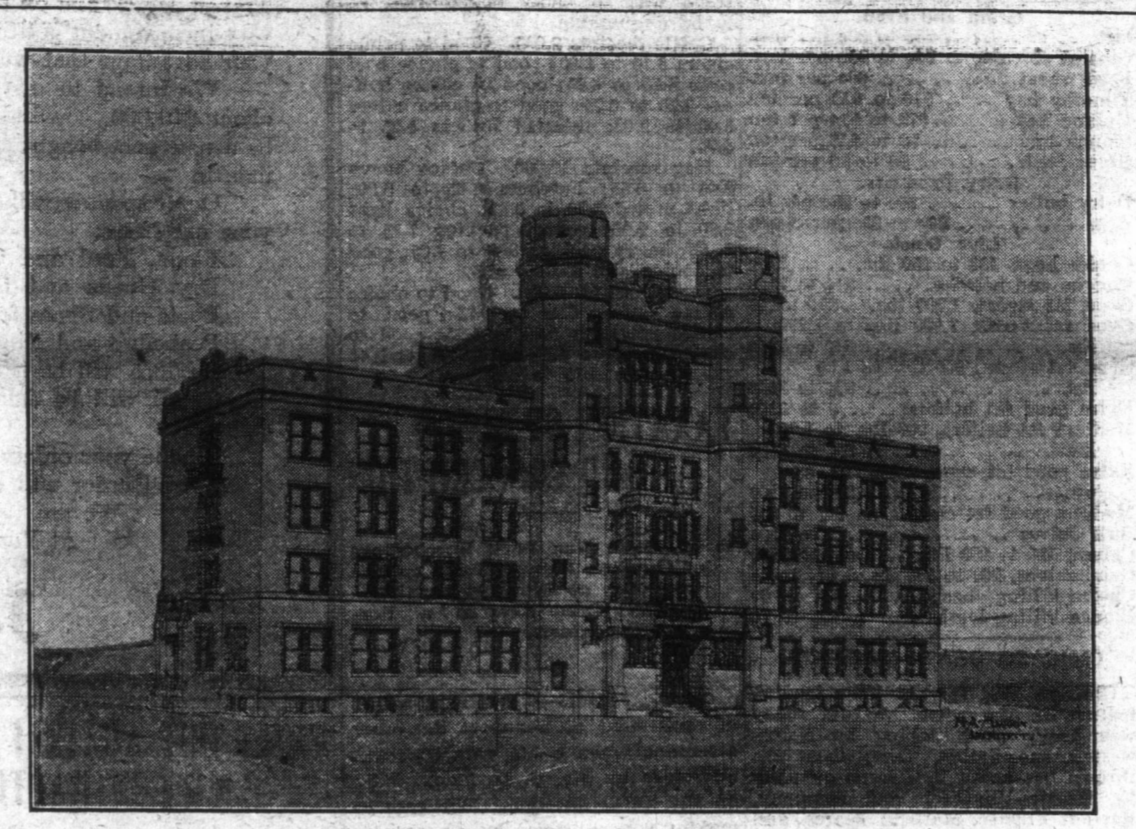
This was several hours later, however, and though members of the force were investigating all night, the assailant has not yet been captured.

PORT WILLIAM BONDS GOOD. Were All Subscribed for Before Advertised Time of Closing.

London, July 13.—The Bank of Montreal, underwriters for the new loan for the city of Port William, Ontario, closed the lists of that issue at noon today, considerably in advance of the advertised time, the issue having been fully subscribed. This is a favorable indication of the growing confidence of the investing public in gilded Western Canada investments.

Fatal Fall From Alpship. Berlin, July 13.—Falling from a great height the alpslip Erbstoch was today demolished near Cologne, and all the five occupants were killed. The ship plunged earthward when suddenly disabled.

NEW \$100,000.00 ALBERTA COLLEGE NOW IN COURSE OF CONSTRUCTION IN STRATHCONA



By October of this year the new Methodist College, in affiliation with the University of Alberta, which is being erected in the Strathcona grounds south of the main building at a cost of \$100,000, will be completed and equipped with residential accommodation for one hundred and fifteen students.

This handsome structure, which is already further advanced towards completion than the University building, is designed in a form of early Gothic. The building will measure 124 ft. by 44 ft. The ground floor will be entirely given up to class rooms, eight in number. The kitchen and dining room will be on the second floor. The rest of the space on that floor and on the two floors above will provide accommodation for the students in residence. Above the fourth story will be a large and lofty gymnasium.

The college will be devoted primarily to the training of candidates for the Methodist ministry, but it is also proposed to offer accommodation to students of other denominations who may be attending the University and who may wish to come into residence. The building is being erected by Robert Grant, of Strathcona. The framework is partly constructed of steel. The design is in perfect harmony with that of the University buildings, the plans having been submitted to the University Senate with that object in view.

FIRE IN THE FOOT HILLS RAGING NEAR CALGARY

The Mounted Police Summoned to Fight the Blaze Near Fridolia. Fire Burning in the Long Dry Grass and the Trees.

Calgary, July 15.—The air away to the southwest of the city was heavily laden with smoke yesterday afternoon, indicating the presence of a prairie or forest fire.

On inquiry at the R.N.W.M.P. it was learned that the fire was out near Fridolia, southwest of Priddis, and that a number of men had gone out to the scene.

It was also reported that there was a big fire in the Lineham-timber limits, near the head of Sheep Creek, but in answer to a telephone message sent by the Albertan to Okotoks, word was received that nothing was known there in regard to such a fire.

The fire southwest of Priddis is in the scrub and long grass in the foothills, which is extremely dry and is very inflammable. It could not be learned last night whether any damage had been done to property of homesteaders or ranchers. Fires of this kind are reported from a number of points in the Crow's Nest Pass, and a great deal of valuable standing timber has been destroyed. The forest and prairie fires are starting earlier than usual this season and are likely to prove very destructive unless a heavy rain comes shortly.

STOCK MARKET GAME. "Financiers" Spread Report That Germany Had Repudiated Monroe Doctrine.

New York, July 13.—One of the most desperate attempts on record to influence the stock market was perpetrated today by the publication in a malicious report from an apparently authenticated source, that Germany had repudiated the Monroe doctrine and intended to do so as the result of points in the Crow's Nest Pass, and a great deal of valuable standing timber has been destroyed. The forest and prairie fires are starting earlier than usual this season and are likely to prove very destructive unless a heavy rain comes shortly.

Two Killed in Explosion. Port Arthur, Ont., July 12.—Two soldiers, unidentified, were killed by a dynamite explosion on Maras & McKenzie's contract on the Transcontinental at Trout Lake, north of Nipigon. They were making a hole in the rock preparatory to blasting when the explosion occurred. The blast had been sprung shortly before and it is believed the rock was not given sufficient time to cool. One victim was thrown three hundred feet and found suspended in the branches of a tree. Both were terribly mangled.

Three More Alleged Lynchers Arrested. Newark, Ohio, July 13.—Notwithstanding that things have been very quiet here today the police have been active and have gathered in three more alleged lynchers. They are held without bail and a charge of first degree murder has been placed against them. Owing to police censorship their names cannot be had.

NO ANTAGONISM TO IMPROVE RIVER BETWEEN THE EAST AND WEST. FOR NAVIGATION PURPOSES.

The Interests of the West Are the Interests of the East. Also.

Morden, Man., July 15.—Sir Wilfrid Laurier and the party accompanying him through the West had a great reception this afternoon. Speaking in the skating rink to a crowded audience, Sir Wilfrid spoke of the remarkable progress in the West, and in comparing the progress of the West with that of the East he said: "To westerners, it is nothing that towns should trouble their population in sixteen years, but if this was the case in the East, our bosom would swell with pride. Although there is a difference in this respect between the East and West, the difference is only in spirit; there is no antagonism between the East and West because the interests of one must be the interests of all."

"In the East we are often told we are spending too much money on the West. We are even told that the tariff is not made for the benefit of the East, but for the benefit of the West. They say that we spend money profusely on matters concerning Western Canada. We shall continue to do this, because it is not for the benefit of the East or West, it is for the benefit of the whole country."

Judson Bay Railway. Sir Wilfrid made an important announcement concerning the Hudson Bay railway. "It has been a boon which the people of the West have long looked for, and as last it is going to be a reality. We are taking the first step this year. This railway is especially to benefit the West, but the whole of this country will reap great advantage from it."

Sir Wilfrid gave his reasons for the driving of the new route. "The main reason," he said, "why we are building the Hudson Bay railway, is that it is the shortest route to the market of the world. When it is completed, the journey from the provinces of Saskatchewan, Manitoba and Alberta to Great Britain, which is the market of the world, will be reduced to 10,000 miles. The people in the East will be benefited by this, because it will save the cost of the freight on goods sent to the River St. Lawrence. Our answer is that it is not sufficient for the great Canadian people to have only one outlet for their goods, but to have two and three if needs be, and no one can deny that such will be for the benefit of the people of Canada as a whole."

E. M. MacDonald on Navy. Sir Wilfrid was unable to deal, owing to pressure of time, on the question of the navy, but in his presence another member of the government, E. M. MacDonald, made some important statements. Emphasizing the necessity for the navy, he said: "If we live in times of peace, but there are disturbing elements in the world, and we must be absolutely prepared for any emergency. We cannot afford to neglect the navy. Our interests are endangered. The commerce of this country has trebled in the last fourteen years and we are going to do nothing to protect our trade routes. Canada must do something. We are united with our leader in that we should have a navy which shall be an adjunct of the greater navy of the Mother Land. It will stand for the interests of Canada, but in time of danger, the Canadian navy will be found side by side with the navy of the Mother Country, fighting the battles of the Old Land."

AVENGE FATHER'S MURDER. Men Who Kill Black Hand Assassin on Scene of His Crime.

New Orleans, July 15.—Joseph Manzella, proprietor of a saloon and grocery at St. Philip and Decatur streets, fell a victim to the so-called Black Hand society here today, but his death was avenged a few seconds later when his 17-year-old daughter shot the assassin as he was attempting to escape.

Manzella had recently received many letters signed "Black Hand society," demanding money. Shortly before noon an Italian called at the store and asked whether any money was forthcoming. When ordered to leave the place he shot Manzella in the breast.

As Manzella fell he drew his revolver and fired at the assassin. Josephine Manzella rushed into the store and gave chase to the assassin, firing at him as she ran.

When the police arrived the girl was bending over the body of her father, weeping. The body of his slayer lay in the gutter outside with three bullet wounds near the head. The assassin was identified as Giuseppe Spennazzo, who is said to have come from Sicily recently.

STRATHMORE GIRL KILLED. Ten Years Old, Thrown from Horse and Drugged Along Ground.

Strathmore, July 13.—On Sunday evening about eight o'clock the 10-year-old daughter of William Gaetz, one of the farmers of the Dutch colony about seven or eight miles north-east of Strathmore, was killed. The unfortunate girl had been riding a horse on her father's farm when she was thrown off, her foot catching in the stirrup. She was dragged along for a considerable distance and only lived half an hour after being picked up.

ENTERTAIN YACHTSMEN. Governor of Bermuda Gives Dinner to American Visitors.

Hamilton, Bermuda, July 16.—Lieut. General Kitchener, governor of Bermuda, and brother of Viscount Kitchener of Khartoum, entertained the American yachtmen of the Yacht and Shyenne, the two boats which have just finished a race from New York to this place, at a dinner at the Government house last night. The affair was a brilliant success.

BULLEN RETURNING HOME. Say Progress of Dominion During Past Three Years Marvellous.

Montreal, Que., July 13.—Frank T. Bullen, the well-known writer of the his way home after a tour of Western Canada. Bullen was enthusiastic over the great development and still greater opportunities of the Dominion, saying that the progress made during the past few years was marvellous.

VESEUVIUS AGAIN ACTIVE. A Rain of Reddish Ashes on Villages Round About.

New York, July 15.—A cable despatch to the Sun from Rome says: A slight earthquake was felt today at Belluno, northern Italy. The inhabitants were badly frightened, but no damage was done.

Mount Vesuvius showed signs of activity early this morning. A huge column of dense smoke was emitted from the main crater and later a rain of reddish ashes fell in the villages of Ottaviano, San Giuseppe and Terzigno. The inhabitants of these places were thrown into a state of panic being convinced that an eruption was imminent. They abandoned their work and crowded into the churches, where they prayed aloud until the rain of ashes stopped. Smoke is still coming from the volcano, and is now forming the characteristic pine-shaped column which heralds an eruption. There is alarm in Naples, where many are spending the night in the open. The rain of ashes began late this afternoon.