

THIS YEAR'S CROP MOST IMPORTANT IN HISTORY

President Wilkie of the Imperial Bank of Canada Declares the 1909 Crop Means Much to Canada From a Financial Point of View—His Review of the Situation.

A group of distinguished Canadian financiers are at present in Edmonton. They are D. R. Wilkie, president of the Imperial Bank of Canada, who arrived over the C.N.R. train...

Mr. Ramsay is greatly interested in the agricultural development of the west. He thought the growth of the province depended on the wheat...

Our Banking Position. Canada's banking position has become a matter of international importance as shown by the manner in which the figures of our chartered banks...

From a financial standpoint, said Mr. Wilkie, "the harvest of 1909 will probably be the most important in Canadian history. While the average yield will not be of unusual proportions, the high prices ruling for wheat, oats and coarse grains will bring returns to the farmers amounting to many millions."

Loans Now increasing. In July 1907, prior to the depression the current loans in Canada totalled 281 millions. Last year they experienced a decline to 225 millions.

Commercial expansion has been encouraged by an extension of the banks' loaning policy. The total loans in Canada during July 1909, 594 millions exceeded the loans of July 1908 by 100 million.

Traffic Deck of the C.P.R. Bridge. Estimated cost of high level bridge combined railway and highway—\$4,850,000. Steel delivered—\$1,850,000.

NO NEED FOR ANXIETY. Canadian Investors in Mexican Property Will Not Be Losers. Toronto, Aug. 30.—Wm. MacKenzie requested the following wire today from Monterrey, Mexico, where enormous damage and loss of life has resulted from floods.

Loss of Life Will Be 2,000. Monterrey, Mexico, Aug. 30.—The work of rescue is going forward rapidly. Reports of loss of life are continually coming in and will probably exceed two thousand. The property loss is estimated at twenty millions.

GAVE HIS LIFE TO SAVE PASSENGERS

Wireless Operator Remained Aboard Ship—Attempted to Swim Ashore—Vessel Struck Reef—Through Dangerous Channel on a Black Night.

Vancouver, August 28.—Bringing with it the survivors of the steamer Ohio, 196 in number, not counting the men who are now standing by the wreck, crowded on the deck of the steamer looking with eager eyes at the welcome shores of Vancouver.

Nothing Was Saved. No time was given for anyone to save things, but all rushed to the deck aloft as best they had time. From the deck swarmed upward the foreigners, panic stricken and fighting their way to the life boats, which were quickly manœuvred into position.

Women and children were all safely lowered into the boats and then the men of the crew and passengers were taken off. The last man to leave the doomed vessel was the wireless watchman, Captain Johnson and his mate, T. Cochrane.

Had a Friend at Court. New Light on Montreal Civic Inquiry Before Royal Commission. Montreal, Que., Aug. 31.—A new light on the working of the roads department was thrown at the Royal commission today, when an ex-foreman of roads, who had refused to talk to the contractor class, was examined.

CARPENTERS DISCUSS MATTER. Winnipeg Mechanics Protest Against Conditions of Employment. Winnipeg, Man., Aug. 29.—Hundreds of idle carpenters crowded a meeting at the Trades and Labor hall this morning.

CORRESPONDENCE. PROF. ALEXANDER AGAIN. Editor Bulletin: Sir, in my last communication on the subject of agricultural education in California I promised to give in a concluding letter the results of my interview with Professor Leroy B. Anderson, Director of the State Farm at Davis and of the University Farm School there.

Knowing that Professor Anderson was a graduate of Cornell University's School of Agriculture I enquired of him first regarding the statement appearing in your columns (June 26, 1909) that the Agricultural College of Cornell University had at great expense been separated from the University and made an independent institution.

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A MESSAGE FROM ENGLAND. It is always gratifying to receive letters from across the water, telling of the success of some American product. Hence I am pleased to quote from an unimpeachable testimonial received January 15th from J. B. S. Bullen of Carleton, England.

DISTRICT NEWS. BEAVER HILLS. Bulletin News Service. The new teacher for Josephburg School is R. McNeil, from Ontario. Miss Augusta Schneider, who spent a few weeks visiting her relations here, went back to her home in Edmonton last week.

RYLEY. Harvesting the past week in this district has been generally excellent, many having completed cutting and the next ten days will see the stacking under way. With dollars wheat in stock there promises to be a great year for farmers.

SPANISH ARMY'S FIRST VICTORY IN MOROCCO. Madrid, Sept. 1.—The Spaniards today won their first decisive victory in Morocco. Word was brought today of a five-hour battle near Zoco El Abras when two thousand Moors attacked the Spanish artillery and troops but were driven off.

ITALIAN DISASTER REPEATED IN MEXICO. A Thousand People Dead and a Property Loss of Twelve Millions As Result of Great Flood and Cyclone—River Cuts Out a New Course. Laredo, Tex., Aug. 9.—By the crippled telegraph in the storm raked city of Monterrey, Mex. it is learned tonight that the flood recording but the raging Santa Catarina river has already given up its dead to the number of 400 and it is estimated that 600 more victims may be counted before another night falls.

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TRAIN ROBBERY FRUSTRATED. Mineral City, Ohio, August 31.—Would-be train robbers were discovered by John Mace, watchman, who frustrated their plan to wreck the Cleveland and Pittsburg passenger train at the entrance to a tunnel near this morning. A desperate battle with knives and guns ensued. One train-wrecker was killed and Watchman Mace seriously injured. The dead bandit is unidentified. The other escaped.