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Ottawa, August 3, 1927, 4 p.m. The Dominion Bureau of Statistics reports the receipt of the following telegrams on the condition of crops in Canada at the end of July.

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.- From the Dominion Experimental Station, Charlottetown: Growth of root, vegetable and grain crops good. Clover below average. Timothy average. Haying just begun. Showers on sixteen days.

NOVA SCOTIA.- From the Dominion Experimental Stations, Kentville: Plenty of rain and warm weather during July aided all crops but caused considerable development apple scab. Aphides causing serious damage some orchards. Strawberries were light crop, stone and small fruits good. Much hay unharvested on account of continued wet weather. Grains and roots good, potatoes and corn fair to good. Amherst: First week July very hot and dry, balance changeable weather. Frequent rains delayed hoeing and haying but improved pasture, hay and grain crops. These crops show 20 p.c. above June expectations. Corn and roots fair, sunflowers good, pastures excellent, fruit and garden crops good.

NEW BRUNSWICK.- From the Dominion Experimental Station, Fredericton: Ideal growing conditions for hay, grain, roots, sunflowers, potatoes and vegetables. Corn making slow growth. Heavy drop of apples; crop below average. Bush fruits good. Pasture excellent. Live stock in good condition. Milk cows maintaining milk flow. Unsettled weather delaying hay making.

QUEBEC.- From the Quebec Bureau of Statistics, August 2. General appearance very good. Cereals, vegetables and orchards as well as industrial crops will give a very good yield. Haymaking is delayed by frequent rains. Lake St. John, Abitibi and the Northwest of the province will have a crop above average. Potatoes are abundant and sound and are selling at high prices. Dairy products have been good to date and are selling well.

ONTARIO.- From the Ontario Department of Agriculture: Prospects are very promising and conditions generally are well above average. The fall wheat crop is very satisfactory and promises a high yield. Cutting is general in the south-eastern counties. Owing to the bad weather last autumn, curtailing the acreage sown to fall wheat, more spring wheat than usual has been sown this year. In Kent and adjacent counties a satisfactory yield is anticipated. Coarse grains are generally very promising, and are well above the average. Corn has improved greatly during the month, but is still below normal as a consequence of the cold, wet weather. The hay crop is exceptionally heavy, but some difficulty has been experienced in harvesting, and there is still a considerable quantity to be gathered in. Pastures continue excellent and root crops generally are doing well.

MANITOBA.- From the Manitoba Department of Agriculture: July favourable. Abundant moisture. Slight hail damage. Wheat cutting not general until late August. Much late grain. Pastures luxuriant. Heavy hay crop but low natural meadows too wet to cut. Vigorous straw growth. Promise of at least average grain yield if everything proceeds favourably and rust does not develop. From the Dominion Experimental Station, Brandon: Rainfall plentiful throughout the province. Grain and hay crop looking splendid. There is some rust quite heavy in susceptible varieties. Indications are for heavy rust epidemic. Early varieties wheat are likely to escape damage, also Durum wheat. Oats and barley looking splendid. Crop will ripen week to ten days later than usual.





SASKATCHEWAN.— From the Saskatchewan Department of Agriculture, Regina, July 26: Favourable weather over the province as a whole has resulted in strong growth of all grains. Wheat, although later than last year, is reported in healthy condition with a generally even stand. Aided by the hot weather of past week, about 70 p.c. is now headed out. Coarse grains are also in good condition with oats coming into head. Slight traces of rust have appeared in the south and eastern part of the province, being most noticeable along the line from Verwood east, to Weyburn, and from there north, to Vibank. Hail caused damage to small areas at scattered points throughout the north and north-western part of the province. Severe damage was sustained as a result of a storm originating west of Swift Current which travelled in a south-easterly direction and caused serious injury in the Vanguard, Kincaid and Lafleche districts. This storm, decreased in intensity, continued through Bengough and Radville. Hail was also reported southwest of Avonlea through Truax and Ogema. Summerfallowing is about 90 p.c. completed. Pastures are in good condition with a plentiful supply of moisture. From the Dominion Experimental Station, Swift Current: Hot dry weather following abnormal rainfall gives promise of unusually heavy crop. Fall rye harvesting commencing. Prospective yield 25 to 50 bushels. Considerable damage in isolated areas. If no frost for four weeks will have tremendous harvest.

ALBERTA.— From the Alberta Department of Agriculture, Edmonton: Crop conditions on July 31 very encouraging. Wheat and barley all in head. Oats 75 p.c. headed. All grain filling well. Rye harvest started. Pastures rank and hay crop being cut. Hail damage in restricted areas. Prospect for good increase in yield over 1926. From the Dominion Experimental Station, Lethbridge: Crop conditions southern Alberta very encouraging except danger frost before late fields ripen. Bad hail in parts of district. Heavy showers lodged wheat in spots. Rain needed in some localities properly to fill wheat. Rye harvest on. Crop heavy. Fall wheat harvest starts ten days earlier, spring wheat three weeks.

BRITISH COLUMBIA.— From the British Columbia Department of Agriculture: Weather during first two weeks of July cloudy and showery. Last two weeks generally have been hot and dry. Moisture conditions continue good with little irrigation needed so far. Haying practically completed and crop well cured. Average yield for province will probably approximate  $2\frac{1}{4}$  tons. All crops ripening fast. Harvesting rye well advanced. Wheat cutting commencing. Will be general in week's time. Cereal yields will be well above average. Potatoes and roots promising. Strawberry picking completed. Raspberries and loganberries will continue for another week. Early estimates of 80 p.c. apple crop still holds good with prospects of a slight increase when harvesting completed.

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