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Ottawa, July 18, 1929, 4 p.m. The Dominion Bureau of Statistics reports the receipt of the following telegrams on the condition of crops in Canada at the middle of July.

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.- From the Dominion Experimental Station, Charlottetown: Beneficial showers have improved the conditions of all crops. Clover cutting has commenced and the crop, while more abundant than usual, is short in length. Pastures are good. Live stock are doing well. Strawberries were injured by insects. Other small fruits are promising. Large fruit has set about average. Roots and corn growing rapidly.

NOVA SCOTIA.- From the Dominion Experimental Station, Amherst: Light rains last of June and first of July very beneficial to all crops, yet they suffer for more moisture. Hay average on most new seeded areas but much below average on old sod. Present indications are roots and grain will be below average unless more favourable weather is experienced. Pastures good. Haying commenced with good weather for curing clover.

NEW BRUNSWICK.- From the Dominion Experimental Station, Fredericton: Splendid growing conditions. Pastures, hay, grain, roots, potatoes, vegetables making excellent growth. Corn backward. Winter killing makes strawberries short crop. Apples promising.

QUEBEC.- From the Dominion Experimental Station, St. Anne de la Pocataire: Clover, timothy and pasture one hundred percent. Clover cutting started. Cereal crops suffered from heavy precipitation, particularly on clay soil. Potatoes suffered heavily from heavy supply of water. Root crops only medium appearance. From the Dominion Experimental Station, Cap Rouge: Hay and pastures are about average. Oats and silage corn somewhat delayed by cold weather and frequent rain. Potatoes also strawberries average crop. Apples promise to be over average. All garden crops except peas and ornamental plants very good. Haying just barely started. From the Dominion Experimental Station, Lennoxville: Hay cutting general, crop above average. Grain thin and short, prospects poor. Corn and roots growing well, prospects good. Potatoes good. Fruits, strawberries, light crop. Raspberries good. Apples, prospects good. From the Dominion Experimental Station, La Ferme: Growing improved since the beginning of July. Haymaking has started; crop will be plentiful. Wheat, oats, sunflower, potatoes, turnips, green fodder and garden vegetables are doing well. Barley and beets below average. Pastures excellent. Summer fallowing has started. Farmers optimistic.

ONTARIO.- From the Ontario Department of Agriculture: Excellent hay crop being harvested. Rains improve pastures. Fall wheat being cut in Essex and Kent. Spring grains short in straw. Barley with larger acreage promises well. Heavy crop alsike predicted. Alfalfa hay good but seed crop disappointing. Roots, corn and tobacco growing well.

MANITOBA.- From the Manitoba Department of Agriculture: Past two weeks brought sufficient local showers for many portions of Eastern Manitoba, but Western Manitoba, though enjoying some local showers, generally needs soaking rain. Cereals and hay short. Pastures somewhat dried. From the Dominion Experimental Farm, Brandon: A few districts have been benefited by local showers, but over the greater part of Manitoba crops are suffering severely from prolonged drought. Rain shortly would benefit late crops and help the earlier crops to fill. From the Dominion Experimental Station, Morden: All crops thin and poor owing to dry weather. Wheat, oats and barley not over one half crop, with best subsequent conditions. Hay short. Pastures going back rapidly. Corn fair but short and heading out. Roots poor. Fall rye fair.

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SASKATCHEWAN.-- From the Saskatchewan Department of Agriculture: With the exception of the extreme South West, crops in most districts in the Southern half of the province have suffered seriously from lack of moisture and stubble crops are in many places considered a total failure. Only ideal conditions of moisture and temperature could now produce a crop even approximating the average in this portion of the province. There are some fairly promising crops in the North, while in the central part the crops are variable with some fair crops and some poor. From the Dominion Experimental Station, Swift Current: Due to three weeks hot dry weather, second crop wheat will be light or failure. Fallow crop fair, but will not make average yield. Rye crop fairly good, will be ready to harvest week to ten days. Oats and Barley mostly poor.

BRITISH COLUMBIA.-- From the British Columbia Department of Agriculture: Weather during last two weeks has been dry and very warm. Grain crops on the whole are strong and healthy. Harvesting fall wheat well advanced and cutting of oats will commence about end of July. Haying almost completed and crop is being stored under ideal conditions. Drought injury is showing up in many varieties of apples and it is apparent that the crop will not be as heavy as first anticipated. All root crops are suffering from drought and pasturage conditions are not very satisfactory.

ALBERTA.-- Temporary relief given crops in some districts by recent rains but additional moisture will be required continuously to mature crops as there is no reserve. Crops in other sections still suffering from drought and outlook poor. From the Dominion Experimental Station, Lethbridge: In Southern Alberta where crop conditions were so favourable until the beginning of July, rain is now urgently needed and it will not be possible to realize the crop that the early promise indicated as many stubbled in fields are holding, or have headed prematurely. Grain on summer fallow is better.

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