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TELEGRAPHIC CROP REPORT

Ottawa, August 27, 1935, 4 p.m. - The Dominion Bureau of Statistics issued today the last of a series of 6 telegraphic crop reports covering crop conditions throughout Canada. Included in this report is the fourteenth of a series of 15 weekly telegraphic reports on crop conditions in the Prairie Provinces. Seventy-nine agriculturists distributed over the farming areas provide the basic information for these reports. In many cases, the Provincial Statisticians report for their entire province.

SUMMARY

In the Maritime Provinces much needed rains have fallen, breaking three weeks of excessive heat and drought and bringing marked improvement to late grains, roots and pastures. In Quebec the grain harvest is progressing satisfactorily and on the whole average yields are being realized. Pastures and the second growth on meadows have improved with recent rains. The potato crop will probably be smaller than last year but of good quality. In Ontario spring grains are generally giving a fair outturn and the corn and tobacco crops are promising. ~~Rains are needed for root crops,~~ pastures and the preparation of fall wheat fields.

In Manitoba, the crop is practically all cut and threshing has started. Wheat is expected to yield very low, ranging from 3 to 12 bushels per acre and the grade is correspondingly poor. Since the cost of threshing is likely to be out of all proportion to the worth of the crop, much of the grain now in stock or lying in the swath will not be threshed. Coarse grain yields will also be comparatively low, but there will be an abundant supply of rough feed. Frost is reported in parts of Saskatchewan and some hail damage has occurred, principally in the west-central part of the province. Rust in the south-eastern sections and drought in the south-western portion of the province will cause a substantial reduction in the production of bread wheat. Rust is also prevalent in the east-central sections. A large proportion of the central grain areas, however, will yield a fair crop. There appears to be marked variation in the yield and quality of grain, making it difficult to estimate production. The northern sections of Alberta have suffered to the greatest extent from frost. Since cutting is just commencing frost will probably reduce the grade and possibly the yield to a lesser extent, nevertheless a fair crop is expected.

In British Columbia, fruit and vegetable crops have been late in maturing due to damp, backward weather. Recent rains have improved the crops on Vancouver Island. In some parts, particularly the north, forage crops are quite heavy.

The Maritime Provinces.-

In Prince Edward Island, heavy rains beginning August 23 broke the prolonged drought and greatly improved the prospects of late potatoes, roots, pastures and fruit, which had suffered severely. Average yields of early grains have been safely secured, but drought and rust will lower the production of later grains. The early potato crop is light. Green feed is being used to supplement sparse pastures for dairy cows. In Nova Scotia, lack of rain and excessive heat continued for the third week in August, hastening the ripening of grain and checking the growth of root and forage crops. Pastures were badly dried out and some orchards on dry soils showed some wilting and dropping off of fruit. At the beginning of the fourth week, however, good general rains were received, making marked improvement in late grains, roots and pastures. The hay crop is larger than last year and was housed in good condition. All crops in New Brunswick have been affected by the prolonged drought and extreme heat of August. Grain yields have been lightened through premature maturing but the quality is said to be good. The growth of roots is at a standstill and the potato yield will be much below average. Pastures are scanty and the aftermath poor. An average yield of apples, though of somewhat poorer quality, is looked for. The hay crop is light again this year.

Quebec.

The harvesting of grain is progressing satisfactorily and in most districts near average yields are being realized. Crops in far eastern Quebec which had suffered severely from excessive heat and drought are recovering with rains and cooler weather. Corn, roots and potatoes are generally making good growth. Tobacco is being harvested and the yield and quality is reported as good. Rains in the last few days have improved pastures and the second growth on meadows. The potato crop promises to be smaller than last year but of good quality.

Ontario.-

Cutting of grain is nearly completed and with favourable weather threshing is advancing steadily although somewhat slowly owing to the heavy straw. Much of the grain has been threshed in the stook as many barns are filled to overflowing. Fall wheat yields were disappointing with some sprouting reported. Spring grains are generally giving a good outturn, although some eastern counties report lighter yields than looked for. The corn crop is very promising and an excellent crop of tobacco is anticipated. Leaf blight has reduced the yield of sugar beets in Kent county. Rains are needed for pastures, roots and the preparation of fall wheat fields.

Manitoba.-

The crop is practically all cut and threshing is commencing, although damp weather has held up threshing operations to some extent. A great deal of the grain in stook is already bleached. Owing to extensive rust damage it is difficult to determine how much of the crop will be worth threshing. Threshermen are expected to charge on an acreage basis rather than to thresh by the bushel, and owing to threshing costs some crop is likely to be left unthreshed. Estimated yields vary from 5 to 12 bushels per acre and will be of low quality. Apart from limited areas in the northern part of the province both common and ~~durum~~ wheats will be very poor in yield and grade. Oats and barley are light and indications point to smaller yields than were formerly expected. Some hail was reported in west-central sections. Pastures are quite luxuriant for this time of the year, and garden crops are still growing well.

Saskatchewan.-

Frost in the north-west and west-central districts of the province, and some further extension of the rust area in the eastern part of the south-central and central districts are the only important changes in the situation during the past week. About 70 to 80 per cent of the cutting is completed and threshing has just commenced. Advance reports show a wide variation in crop yields. The prospects in the grain areas of the south-central and central districts and in north-eastern Saskatchewan are still quite favourable, but in the south-east, and in the area east of Last Mountain Lake where rust has caused damage, the yields will be very small or a complete failure. This also applies to the south-western districts where dry weather has prevailed. Although conditions are better in the south-central area, in the southern part of this section the crops are quite poor. Durum wheat has suffered to a lesser extent from rust damage and some good crops are reported, but the yield will not measure up to earlier expectations. Coarse grains are fair except in the rust and drought areas. Grasshoppers are doing some damage in southern parts of the province, and in some places the crop is being cut early to avoid loss. Hail occurred in the west-central districts, and some damage from frost may affect the late-sown crops in this area.

Alberta.-

Damp, backward weather has retarded harvesting operations in the province except in the south where crops matured earlier. Cutting is about half completed in southern Alberta and is expected to be general elsewhere by the end of the week. Frost was recorded at a large number of points in northern Alberta, with particularly heavy damage at Grand Prairie. Grasshoppers, now in the advance stage, are doing a great deal of damage in southern districts. Hail is reported from three points in the province. The yields of wheat and coarse grains are expected to be fair to good except in the south-eastern sections where drought was reported in earlier statements. The grains already threshed in the south are grading high. Frost will materially reduce the grade in northern sections. Coarse grains are expected to yield well. Pastures are beginning to show the effect of dry weather in the ranching districts, but there is a fair supply of forage for winter feeding.

British Columbia.-

Cereal crops are well advanced in the central interior of British Columbia, and on Vancouver Island recent rains have improved crops formerly suffering from dry weather. Fruit is sizing well except on Vancouver Island where dry weather has prevailed. Pears are already being moved out and peaches are maturing, though somewhat slowly due to the backward weather in some areas. Forage crops promise to be somewhat light on the Lower Mainland and on Vancouver Island, but much better in the north.

Reports of Dominion Entomological Laboratories, Prairie Provinces.

Dominion Entomological Laboratory, Brandon, Manitoba.

Cool weather is hindering egg-laying of grasshoppers, otherwise no change from last report.

Dominion Entomological Laboratory, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan.

Sawfly damage somewhat greater than usual in prairie districts where the crop was not badly rusted. Although grasshoppers have forced the early cutting of wheat and oats rather generally in southern and central districts, the loss on the whole has been only moderate.

Dominion Entomological Laboratory, Lethbridge, Alberta.

Grasshoppers increasing wheat losses daily in southern Alberta, some fields showing ten to eighty per cent wheat heads on ground. Oats and barley suffering from same cause, largely due to lack of early-season poisoning.

Hail Damage

Manitoba.-

Heavy hail storms on the 21st and 23rd at Birtle, Binscarth, Russell, Hamiota and Oak River; lighter at Brandon.

Saskatchewan.-

Bad storm Friday, August 23rd seriously damaged crops at the following points: Marengo, north of Flaxcombe, Smiley, between Coleville and Kindersley, Druid, Doddsland, Plenty, Salvador, Luseland, Kelfield, Springwater, Biggar and Arelee.

Alberta.-

Hail claims received from local storms at Cereal, Ester, Perryvale in past week. Slight damage.

Meteorological Report, Prairie Provinces.

The Dominion Meteorological Service, Toronto reports the following precipitation in the week ending Monday, August 26 at 7 a.m. (in inches):

<u>Manitoba</u>		<u>Saskatchewan</u>		<u>Alberta</u>	
Winnipeg	0.1	Swift Current	-	Medicine Hat	-
Boissevain	0.1	Elbow	-	Empress	-
Cypress River	0.3	Outlook	-	Brooks	-
Emerson	0.3	Humboldt	-	Cardston	-
Le Pas	0.3	Consul	-	Vegreville	- 0.1
Swan River	0.4	Shaunavon	-	Macleod	- 0.1
Portage la		Yellow Grass	-	Foremost	- 0.1
Prairie	0.4	Kindersley	-	Calgary	- 0.1
Morden	0.4	Indian Head	Trace	Fairview	0.2
Russell	0.5	Broadview	Trace	Edmonton	0.3
Pierson	0.5	Macklin	- 0.1	Beaverlodge	0.3
Virden	0.7	Kamsack	- 0.1	Red Deer	0.4
Minnedosa	1.0	Assiniboia	- 0.1	Coronation	0.4
Brandon	1.1	Moose Jaw	- 0.1	Stettler	0.5
Dauphin	1.5	Qu'Appelle	- 0.1		
		Prince Albert	- 0.1		
		Yorkton	0.1		
		Drumheller	0.2		
		Melfort	0.2		
		Saskatoon	0.2		
		Battleford	0.3		
		Lloydminster	0.3		
		Moosomin	0.3		
		Estevan	0.7		

Note: The minus signs denote less precipitation than amount indicated.

Temperatures: One above normal at Fairview and three to four degrees above in Alberta, Saskatchewan and western Manitoba, but four to six above in eastern Manitoba. Frost occurred this morning or yesterday at Assiniboia and Consul in Saskatchewan and at Fairview in Alberta with two degrees frost at Swift Current and Moosomin, Saskatchewan.

REPORTS OF CORRESPONDENTS

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND

Dominion Experimental Station, Charlottetown.

All crops suffered by prolonged drought of twenty-nine days. Heavy rains amounting to 5.9 inches since Friday have greatly improved prospects for pastures, roots, late potatoes and fruit. Harvest general, early grain saved before rain about average. Later grain injured by rust and drought. Early potatoes dried out, yield below average. Corn and roots promise average crops.

NOVA SCOTIA

Provincial Department of Agriculture, Halifax.

Conditions at present about same as in last report but several days rain covering whole province at end of last week give promise of marked improvement in roots, pastures and fruit crops.

Dominion Experimental Station, Kentville.

Exceptionally dry weather and abnormal heat during past week hastened maturity all grains and checked forage crops. Pastures badly dried out. Potatoes badly wilted. Some orchards on dry soils indicate fruit injury and wilting of foliage. Rainfall 2.25 inches on 23rd has revived fruit and other crops generally. Cool weather followed.

Dominion Experimental Farm, Nappan.

August extremely dry and hot up to twenty-first, only 0.21 inches precipitation. All crops suffered for moisture. Twenty-first to twenty-fourth beneficial rain fell, 0.83 inches, good for late grain, roots and pastures. All grains ripening rapidly, late grains prematurely.

NEW BRUNSWICK

Dominion Experimental Station, Fredericton.

Rain badly needed. Drought and extreme heat have affected all crops. Pastures drying up, aftermath scanty. Roots at standstill, potato leaves withering, prospects for light yields of most vegetables. Stunted and maturing prematurely, the grain yield will be light, quality good. Prospects average yield apples but quality will be poorer. Damaged by hail and rust.

Supervisor of Illustration Stations, Fredericton.

Grain harvest well forward with yield prospects fair. Very dry - impossible to plough. Pastures very dry, no after grass. Root crops mostly poor, potato yield away down.

QUEBEC

Dominion Experimental Station, Lennoxville.

Grain harvesting well advanced. Yield of early-sown grain good, late-sown grain light. Corn, root and potatoes good. Pasture suffering from lack of rain.

Dominion Experimental Station, Farnham.

Harvesting oats in full swing; crops average. Corn made considerable progress and the yield will be good. Harvesting tobacco general in the district - yield and quality much improved. Pasture medium. Rain needed.

Dominion Entomological Laboratory, Hemmingford.

Haying completed, harvesting well advanced and some threshing done. Heavy straw, but oats light to medium weight. Corn promises to be good to very good. Pastures medium. Apples excellent size and colour. Summer apples harvested and sold at average prices. Weather during past two weeks has been dry. There has been considerable rust on cereals.

QUEBEC (Concluded)

Dominion Experimental Station, Ste. Anne de la Pocatiere.

Excessively dry and warm weather for twenty days. Less than half inch precipitation recorded on upper part. Cereals wilting and pastures a little burnt. Delay in the growth of fruits. Other crops not too much affected. Precipitation of 1.26 inches on 21st., followed by cool weather will save the situation. Second cut of alfalfa made in good condition and gave good yield.

Supervisor of Illustration Stations, Ste. Anne de la Pocatiere.

Lower St. Lawrence district unprecedentedly hot, dry weather for the last six weeks. Cereal crops ripening prematurely. A considerable decrease is expected if no rain comes to rescue. Potato crop will be very low. Swedes are fair but damaged to a certain extent by cabbage pieris. Clover seed crop promising. Pastures dry; milk flow much lowered.

Dominion Experimental Station, Cap Rouge.

Peas, wheat and oats are being cut; prospect about average on well drained soil. Roots and potatoes doing well. Second cutting alfalfa and clover made with difficulties due to rain and cloudy weather. Pastures improved by recent rain. Light crop fodder corn. Apples colouring well and promising. Most vegetables need sun and warm weather.

Dominion Experimental Station, La Ferme.

Haying practically over. Frequent storms made haying difficult. Wind storms have done damage in the district. Pastures excellent, second growth abundant, milk production very good. Grain beginning to ripen, potatoes very good, also green fodder. Frost of the twenty-fourth has not affected the crops.

ONTARIO

Provincial Department of Agriculture, Toronto.

Threshing general with weather conditions favourable. Stook threshing very common. Spring grain yields a good average but not as heavy as at first anticipated owing to wind storms and extreme heat at filling time. A large acreage of timothy and red clover saved for seed with indications of a good outturn. Harvesting of bean crop has commenced. Corn crop is promising although not as far advanced as last year. Ground is quite dry and rain needed for roots, pastures and preparation of fall wheat fields.

Dominion Entomological Laboratory, Strathroy.

Insect conditions normal. Wet weather has retarded harvest. Wheat acreage may be decreased owing to inability to get land ready. Root crops and corn making excellent growth. Canning of early corn has started.

Dominion Entomological Laboratory, Vineland Station.

Rain badly needed in the Niagara Peninsula. Codling moth injury much less severe than in 1934. Oriental fruit moth much less abundant than last year.

Dominion Entomological Laboratory, Chatham.

Field corn doing well although a little late. Pastures fair. Threshing nearing completion. Wheat yields have been lower than expected on account of wet weather and much sprouting has occurred. Sugar beets are seriously and generally attacked by leaf blight and accordingly yield will be reduced. Factory operations commenced early in the season. Field beans are suffering to some extent from blight and a corresponding reduction in yield may be expected.

Dominion Experimental Station, Harrow.

Flue-cured crop has every appearance of being one of the best coloured crops ever produced; burley crop also very good. Harvesting of flue-cured crop one-third completed. Bumper corn crop anticipated. Oats yielding well but yield and quality of wheat threshed disappointing. Pastures good during month.

ONTARIO (Concluded)

Dominion Experimental Station, Kapuskasing.

Good crop of number one hay stored under good condition. Grain is maturing rapidly and some cutting being done. Fair crop. Slight frost on low ground on the nineteenth. Rust not bad. Roots and potatoes splendid crop.

MANITOBA

Dominion Experimental Station, Morden.

Threshing retarded by rains and heavy dew. Wheat badly bleached, grade low, yield poor. Coarse grain fair to good. Corn, potatoes, roots and vegetable crop above average. Pastures green.

Dominion Experimental Farm, Brandon.

Cutting grain about eighty per cent completed but wet weather early in week stopped threshing over a wide area. Grain bleaching badly in stock and swath. Summerfallows are weedy, cultivation having been held up by wet weather and extra time required for harvesting operations.

Agricultural Representative, Dauphin.

Weather continues unsettled, slowing up harvesting operations. Wheat and early coarse grains are nearly all cut. Yields of threshed wheat running around eight to ten bushels, and grading number three and lower. Some early barley made good yields but average likely around twenty bushels. Oats will run around twenty bushels.

Agricultural Representative, Teulon.

Oats and wheat yield low, also quality. Most of grain will be threshed in this district. Considerable burning will be done farther south. Harvesting delayed by wet weather, but pasture very good. Hay crops are good where not too wet to cut. Barley will be a fair crop.

SASKATCHEWAN

Provincial Department of Agriculture, Regina.

With the exception of some lessening of prospects at points in the north-western and west-central portions of the province due to frost, and some further evidence of rust damage in the eastern parts of south-central and central districts, little material change has taken place in the general crop outlook during the past two weeks. Only a small amount of grain has been threshed but expectations of yield show a wide variation, not only in different districts but in different parts of the same area. The wheat crop over the greater portion of the large grain areas of south-central and central districts and in north-eastern Saskatchewan continues to give promise of very fair to good yields. It is noted, however, in the south-central area the crop shows considerable variation particularly in the eastern portion where rust damage in late grain is becoming more apparent and at points in the south-western corner of the district where moisture reserves have been low. In south-eastern Saskatchewan and in the central and southern portion of the Regina-Weyburn district "Bread" wheats range from poor yields of low grade grain to practically complete failures due to rust. Durum wheats in this area although seriously reduced over earlier expectations have suffered to a lesser extent and some fair yields are anticipated. The northern portion of the Regina-Weyburn district, and that area east of Last Mountain Lake to the Manitoba boundary, is also heavily infected with rust and poor yields with greatly lowered grades are expected. The infection becomes somewhat lighter towards the northern portion of the east-central district. Little change has taken place in western Saskatchewan. Over the greater part of the south-western district and in that area of the west-central district lying along the Alberta boundary prolonged drought reduced the crop to little better than "feed and seed", but some fair crops are still in prospect in the easterly and northerly sections of the west-central district. Frost, however, was recorded in mid-August at points in this area and some injury to late crops is feared, although the actual extent of the damage will not be apparent until the crop is threshed. Crops still vary widely in north-western areas being reported from poor to good. Some damage by the early frost is also anticipated at points in this

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Provincial Department of Agriculture, Regina (Concluded)

district. Except in the worst rust areas of south-eastern Saskatchewan and in the drier areas of western Saskatchewan coarse grains are reported in very good condition and good yields, particularly of oats, are expected. Grasshoppers have been quite active in late coarse grains in southern districts and some oats have been cut on the green side to prevent further injury. In spite of somewhat adverse weather conditions good progress has been made with wheat cutting, particularly in eastern districts, where from 70 to 80 per cent has been cut. Taking the province as a whole about 60 per cent of the wheat and 40 per cent of the coarse grains have been cut. The potato crop on the whole is in good condition being generally reported better than last year except at some points in western Saskatchewan where it was damaged by lack of moisture and in some cases by frost. Live stock are in good condition but pastures require rain in western districts.

Dominion Experimental Farm, Indian Head.

Harvesting is well advanced. Threshing and combining indicate yields ranging from five to twenty bushels per acre; grade generally low. Oats and barley a fair crop. Pastures in good condition. Weather dull with low temperature.

Dominion Experimental Station, Rosthern.

Warm, humid weather during week has been ideal for rust spread which has attacked late crops severely, damage being estimated at twenty per cent. Late oats doing well after 1.08 inches rain on August eighteenth. Cutting general with about sixty per cent of crop cut and stooked. Some early oats and barley threshed. Pastures continue fair.

Dominion Experimental Station, Scott.

Results of frost damage on August sixteenth are becoming more in evidence on standing immature grain. Damage extends about hundred miles north, but heavy crop area around Meadow Lake escaped. Frost has made estimate of yields almost impossible and destroyed seed. Coarse grains in certain areas O.K.

ALBERTA

Dominion Range Experiment Station, Manyberries.

Harvesting is 45 per cent completed throughout the district. Wheat threshing has just begun. Combined wheat is grading No. 1 and No. 1 Hard; yields running 4 to 15 bushels per acre. Coarse grains and late wheat are poor. Range pastures are practically dried up. Winter pastures and feed supplies are only fair.

Dominion Experimental Station and Supervisor of Illustration Stations, Lethbridge.

In southern Alberta no rain or frost during the past week. Two-thirds of grain cut. Combining well along and stook threshing started. Most of the wheat is grading One Hard or One Northern and yields up to expectations.

Telegraphic Correspondent, Calgary.

Odd showers and cool weather have delayed ripening, but crops maturing satisfactorily and expect cutting will be general by end this week.

Telegraphic Correspondent, Olds.

Grain has not made much headway in the past week on account of rain and cold weather. Cutting has started only on several farms but will not be general till first or later. Some damage has been done by frost. Extent of damage at present is not known and will not be able to tell till threshing commences.

ALBERTA (Concluded)

Dominion Experimental Station, Lacombe.

With moderately warm, bright days, except for half an inch of rain Monday and Friday, all crops matured rapidly. Light showers August 26, delayed cutting, but a few binders have started and cutting will be general by August 31. Frost damage apparently very patchy, severe in places, others light.

Telegraphic Correspondent, Hanna.

Cutting general. All grains filled well and no damage visible from frost. Sawfly plentiful. Very little damage from hail. Gardens were never better. No rust. Cattle in good shape.

Telegraphic Correspondent, Stettler.

Weather for past week was not good for ripening. One inch of rain. Light frost in some places. Harvesting will not be general until about 29th. Crop about 70 per cent normal. Good hay crop and pastures good.

Telegraphic Correspondent, Vermilion.

Harvesting is now general. Wheat crops are mostly light with heads well filled. Most of the grain shows deep frost. Another frost here last night varying from very slight to half an inch of ice in some localities. Oat crops have grown since the rain and are mostly very green with few ripe heads showing. Pasture and gardens are good.

Telegraphic Correspondent, Edmonton.

Crops **not** ripening up very fast. Weather too wet and cool. Expect harvest to start around first September. Frost damage on August sixteenth now estimated at thirty to thirty-five per cent. Late barley crop very hard hit being plowed down in some cases. Cloudy and quite cool to-day.

BRITISH COLUMBIA

Provincial Department of Agriculture, Victoria.

Fine weather was more or less general from August ninth to thirteenth followed by cool, showery weather from fourteenth to seventeenth. Since that date it has been generally fine and warm. Cutting of fall-sown cereals is completed and considerable threshing has been done. Cutting spring-sown grains is well advanced in the southern portions of the province. In the central interior and northern sections little cutting has been done as yet. Early apples and transcendent crabs are about cleaned up and wealthies should be approaching maturity by end of month. Bartlett pears commencing to move. Apricot picking over. Rochester and St. John peaches coming in slowly. Vegetables movement is heavy from all sections but tomatoes are slow in ripening.

Dominion Entomological Laboratory, Victoria.

Warm, dry weather is prevalent, and harvesting is general. Spring grains are yielding very light. Early apples generally small size owing to drought. Forage crops backward, and generally light crop. Some late hay now being carried. No serious insect injury to report.

Dominion Experimental Station, Sidney.

Showers have improved conditions somewhat. Harvest of grain well advanced, yields better than at one time expected. Roots and potatoes at a standstill but if showers continue fair crops expected.

BRITISH COLUMBIA (Concluded)

Dominion Experimental Farm, Agassiz.

Except for very heavy local showers on 22nd and 23rd weather has been fine with threshing in many districts being rushed, estimated twenty per cent completed. Eighty per cent oat harvesting completed. Second crop hay of good quality safely stored. Pasture good for this time of season. Corn excellent. Roots fair.

Dominion Experimental Station, West Summerland.

Continued cool weather has delayed ripening of tomatoes and cantaloupes. Soil moisture conditions good. Pears sizing well, Bartlett's of good quality moving to market. Apples developing satisfactorily, promise heavy crop, high quality. Third crop of alfalfa ready to cut south-end of valley.

LATE REPORTS

QUEBEC

Department of Agriculture, Quebec.

Harvesting is in full swing. The yield will be good. Rains of the last days have greatly improved the situation. Pastures and the second growth on meadows will benefit by this moisture. Root plants look well. The crop of potatoes will probably be smaller than last year but of good quality.

Provincial Entomologist, Quebec.

Mild complaints of some insects everywhere. Grasshoppers are still doing damage in some counties, particularly the upper part of Bellechasse. The cabbage white butterfly is reported everywhere and is even causing damage to turnips. Blight on potatoes is disturbing. There seem to be fewer scabs on apples but there are more borers. Celery rust is abundant in those places where treatment was insufficient. As to bad weeds, they are still flourishing along the roads and they have also been neglected among hoed crops, thus assuring a good supply of bad seed in the soil for next year.

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