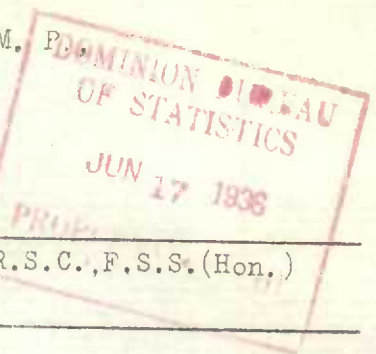


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TELEGRAPHIC CROP REPORT

Ottawa, June 16, 1936, 4 p.m. - The Dominion Bureau of Statistics issues today the second of a series of 7 telegraphic reports covering crop conditions throughout Canada. Included in this report is the fourth of a series of 15 weekly telegraphic reports on crop conditions in the Prairie Provinces. Eighty-six agriculturists distributed over the farming areas provide the basic information for these reports. In many cases, the Provincial Statisticians report for their entire province.

The fifth telegraphic crop report for the Prairie Provinces scheduled to appear next Tuesday, June 23, will be issued on the following day, Wednesday, June 24, at 4 p.m., E.D.S. time.

SUMMARY

In the past two weeks there has been an appreciable betterment in crop conditions in most parts of the Dominion, but there is now a general need of more rain and warmer weather. The growth of spring-sown crops is still backward, particularly in New Brunswick, eastern Quebec, northern Ontario and in parts of Alberta. Pastures are in unusually good condition, and eastern fields contain a high proportion of clover. The first hay has been cut and a fine return is assured in all sections, excepting some western drought areas. The damaging effect of May frosts to fruits and berries in the Maritime and Eastern Provinces seems to be less serious than anticipated. Cool weather and limited rainfall in the Prairie Provinces during the past week have brought complaints of slow growth, but the main wheat crop has maintained its promise of near-average yields. Another general rain, followed by higher temperatures would be welcome, particularly to late-sown fields that are showing uneven growth at present. In British Columbia, growth of all crops has been rapid during the recent period of dull and rainy weather; heat and sunshine are now necessary to bring many crops to maturity.

Germination and early growth of all crops have been good in Prince Edward Island. Pastures and meadows remain above average. Weather conditions in Nova Scotia have also been favourable for the growth of spring crops and the development of fruit. Temperatures have been higher and there was a fairly general rain last Friday. Similar conditions prevailed in New Brunswick and seeding progressed rapidly before Friday's rain. The season remains late throughout the Maritimes, but particularly in New Brunswick.

While the seeding of spring grains has been greatly delayed, higher temperatures and ample rainfall have been generally advantageous to crop growth in Quebec. Pastures and meadows are probably better than they have ever been at this time of year. Fruit prospects are better in the east than in western counties. In Ontario, crops are progressing normally in most counties. Heavy rains early in the month were of great benefit in western Ontario. In northern Ontario, growth is very late and rain is needed. Fall wheat is now heading out and haying has begun in some districts.

In the Prairie Provinces, temperatures were close to normal and rainfall was rather light during the past week. There was a slight alleviation of drought conditions in western Saskatchewan by showers and more effective rains fell in central Alberta, where moisture was needed. Good rains were also recorded in the Peace River country and in scattered localities of southern Manitoba. The main wheat area secured practically no rain during the week and more moisture is needed almost generally, but not urgently. The early-sown wheat is nearly a foot high in some localities, but late-sown wheat and coarse-grains show uneven germination and growth. Wireworms are causing considerable damage in Saskatchewan, while grasshoppers are threatening in all provinces, but still well under control. The first hail damage is reported from Saskatchewan and Alberta but injury was slight.

In British Columbia, the dull, wet weather has promoted a rapid growth of all crops but is delaying the hay and strawberry harvests. Conditions are generally described as favourable.

The Maritime Provinces.

Spring seeding has been completed in Prince Edward Island under favourable weather conditions. All spring crops are promising; fruit had a satisfactory bloom; and pastures are in better condition than usual. In Nova Scotia, a large crop of hay is expected and the fruit set is better than first anticipated. Dark weather is interfering with the spray schedule in the Annapolis Valley. A fortnight of warm, dry weather helped greatly in New Brunswick; seeding was hurried nearly to completion and a brighter outlook prevails. A big hay crop is in prospect.

Quebec and Ontario.

A significant improvement in crop prospects is also reported from nearly all sections of the province of Quebec. While the season is still late in eastern counties, the recent fine weather has enabled hurried seeding and encouraged good germination. Growth on pastures and meadows is quite luxuriant and live stock are in fine condition. In Ontario, seeding is completed and crops are making normal growth under generally favourable weather. More rain and higher temperatures would be beneficial throughout the province. Hay will be a good crop, but the growth is not as thick as in the provinces further east. Tobacco planting is under way in the south-west and fall wheat is coming into head.

The Prairie Provinces.

In contrast with the previous week, rainfall was neither heavy nor well-distributed during the week ending June 15. Normal temperatures reduced evaporation but correspondents at many points report the need of rain in the near future. This is particularly true of central Manitoba, western Saskatchewan, and north-eastern Alberta. Rainfall over the whole country since April first has not been sufficient to make an average crop.

In Manitoba, crops progressed favourably during the past week, although rainfall was limited to scattered showers. High winds increased evaporation in the south and rain is required to keep the crop growing. Rainfall is reported to be badly needed at Minnedosa. Weeds are bothersome in many fields, but insect pests are not causing any serious damage.

In Saskatchewan, spring rainfall has been light in northwestern areas and heavy rains are urgently needed to make a crop. Over the most of the province, early-sown grains are growing normally, but late-sown grains are patchy and making a slow recovery. Good, general rains over the whole province would be welcome. Vigorous poisoning has kept grasshoppers in check but wireworms are proving the most serious insect pest of the year. They are particularly troublesome on wheat fields after fallow and in light soil areas. Cutworms are also damaging the crops in scattered localities. Pastures have improved but are still short.

In Alberta, prospects remain favourable in the south and along the whole western side of the province. Good rains in east-central areas helped the situation there but did not stretch far enough north and a dry area exists north of the C.P.R. Saskatoon-Edmonton line. Grasshoppers are causing damage around Hanna. Rains will soon be necessary over most of the province, but are urgently required in the north-east.

WESTERN FORECAST, TUESDAY NOON.

"Rain has been general in the west in amounts varying from very light to quite heavy. In Central and Northern Saskatchewan and north eastern Alberta, amounts of about one-half to three-quarters of an inch have been general during the night. Indications are for further showers to-day in nearly all districts except the more southern portion of Alberta and southwestern Saskatchewan".

Meteorological Service of Canada.

British Columbia.

The weather has been cool and showery. This was fine for growth but a period of fine weather is needed for strawberry-picking and for haying. All spring-sown crops are now in good condition. Pastures and meadows show a good growth. Early vegetables are being marketed; some strawberries have been shipped but the peak movement will not be reached for another week.

REPORTS OF DOMINION ENTOMOLOGICAL LABORATORIES, PRAIRIE PROVINCES

Dominion Entomological Laboratory, Brandon

No damage from grasshoppers. Horse flies very troublesome. Cutworms injurious locally in gardens.

Dominion Entomological Laboratory, Saskatoon

Wireworms are proving the most serious insect pest of the year. Losses to wheat seeded on summerfallow are ranging from ten to fifty per cent quite generally in medium and lighter soils of prairie and open park areas. The infestations of this perennial insect have evidently increased markedly in recent years particularly in fields that were idle and in districts affected by drought and soil drifting. The present damage is often aggravated by poor germination or unfavourable crop conditions. Grasshoppers generally abundant in area from Saskatoon west including strip north of north Saskatchewan river from Radisson to Hamlin but damage minimized by campaign. Only scattered trouble to date elsewhere in outbreak area partly owing to recent reduction of infestations in some localities from natural causes. Further reports cutworm damage severe in Hazlet, Verlow, Fosterton, Woodrow, Sturgis and Canora districts and moderate or light at Viceroy, Verwood, Readlyn, Aneroid, Hafford, Codette, Melfort, Humboldt, Margo, Birchhills, Tisdale, Senlac, and Turtleford. Western Chinch bug causing slight damage to wheat at Madison and probably elsewhere in heavy soil of Eston Plains.

Dominion Entomological Laboratory, Lethbridge

Report not received.

Hail Damage.

Saskatchewan

Storm reported northwest of Dodsland Friday, June twelfth. Have no information yet as to extent of damage.

Alberta

Light hail loss from storm of June twelfth in small area east of Didsbury and Innisfail.

METEOROLOGICAL REPORT, PRAIRIE PROVINCES

The following precipitation (in inches) was reported by the Dominion Meteorological Service, Toronto, for the week ending Monday, June 15, at 7 a.m.:

<u>Manitoba</u>		<u>Saskatchewan</u>		<u>Alberta</u>	
Sprague	Trace	Estevan	Trace	Hughenden	Trace
Boissevain	- 0.1	Kindersley	Trace	Medicine Hat	- 0.1
Cypress River	- 0.1	Davidson	Trace	Cardston	- 0.1
Morden	- 0.1	Yellow Grass	- 0.1	Foremost	- 0.1
Winnipeg	- 0.1	Outlook	- 0.1	Lloydminster	- 0.1
Portage la Prairie	- 0.1	Swift Current	- 0.1	Fort Vermillion	- 0.1
Graysville	- 0.1	Empress	- 0.1	Gem	- 0.1
Brandon	0.1	Assiniboia	- 0.1	Glendon	- 0.1
Pierson	0.1	Consul	- 0.1	Raymond	- 0.1
Virden	0.1	Biggar	- 0.1	Sedgewick	- 0.1
Birtle	0.2	Maple Creek	- 0.1	Taber	- 0.1
Minnedosa	0.2	Valmarie	- 0.1	Viking	- 0.1
Dauphin	0.3	Elbow	0.1	Vauxhall	- 0.1
Russell	0.3	Moosomin	0.1	Keg River	- 0.1
Swan River	0.4	Saskatoon	0.1	Jasper	0.1
Pinawa	0.4	Meadow Lake	0.1	Edmonton	0.1
Le Pas	0.8	Moose Jaw	0.2	Beaverlodge	0.2
Minette	1.7	Indian Head	0.2	Calgary	0.2
Morris	2.1	Macklin	0.2	Drumheller	0.2
		Rosthern	0.2	High River	0.2
		Prince Albert	0.3	Macleod	0.3
		Broadview	0.3	Wetaskiwin	0.3
		Melfort	0.3	Kinuso	0.3
		Battleford	0.4	Brooks	0.4
		Qu'Appelle	0.4	Fort McMurray	0.6
		Humboldt	0.4	Red Deer	0.8
		Regina	0.4	Stettler	0.8
		Strasbourg	0.4	Coronation	0.9
		Carlyle	0.5	Olds	0.9
		Yorkton	0.6	Fairview	1.1
		Rabbit Lake	0.6	High Prairie	1.5
		Lintlaw	0.7		
		Kamsack	1.0		

(Minus signs denote less than the amount of rain indicated).

Departures from normal mean temperatures were small for the week. In Manitoba, the following Districts were 2 degrees below normal - 13, 14; 1 below normal - 5, 6, 9, 11, 12; normal - 1, 3, 4, 10; 1 above normal - 2, 7, 8. In Saskatchewan, the following Districts were 4 degrees below normal - 9; 3 below normal 8; normal - 2, 6; 1 above normal - 5; 2 above - 3, 7; 3 above - 1, 4. In Alberta, the following Districts were 4 below normal - 14, 17; 3 below normal 13; 2 below normal - 16; 1 below normal - 4, 10; normal - 11; 1 above - 3, 6, 8, 9, 12, 15; 2 above - 7; four above - 1, 2, 5.

REPORTS OF CORRESPONDENTS

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND

Dominion Experimental Farm, Charlottetown.

Spring seeding completed. Potato planting about finished. Early cereals and oats making strong growth; germination has been good. Corn up. Pastures and hay above average. Satisfactory fruit bloom. Vegetables promising. Injurious insects plentiful.

Supervisor of Illustration Stations, Charlottetown.

The past two weeks have been ideal for completion of seeding. Potatoes practically all planted; same acreage as in 1935. Turnips one half seeded; acreage increased slightly. Pastures and clovers much superior to last year. Young grasshoppers abundant in southern Queens and Kings counties.

NOVA SCOTIA

Provincial Department of Agriculture, Halifax.

Hay continues promising on all but poor soils. Pastures much better than last year with substantially increased creamery receipts. Early sown grain promising but late fields not sufficiently advanced to warrant forecast. Frost injury in orchards less serious than first predicted; prospects of at least an average crop. Notwithstanding considerable frost injury to early blossoms future favourable weather promises good average strawberry crop.

Dominion Experimental Farm, Nappan.

June; fine - first to eleventh; satisfactory progress in seeding and planting which is ten days late in this district. Heavy rain on twelfth causing some delay. Late districts have not completed more than three quarters total. Excellent growing weather prevailed since First. Clover and grass pastures ahead of last year but grain and hoed crops behind.

Dominion Experimental Station, Kentville.

June favourable for all crops. Late-seeded crops starting well. Hay, pasture, forage crops and potatoes have even stand; growth good. Apple scab abundant in many orchards due to dark weather and wind during early spraying; set fair to good; bloom in some cases killed by late May frost. Cherries good. Plums, pears, fair. Strawberries fair with considerable frost injury.

Supervisor of Illustration Stations, Kentville.

Warm drying winds have hastened seeding on heavy types of soil. Seeding and planting completed excepting a few turnips. Mangels and turnips germinating quickly. Field grains making rapid growth. Hay crop growing rapidly. Nothing can prevent a bumper hay crop; some lodging already on new seeded meadows. Fertilized pastures good. Fruit set much better than first anticipated. Apple scab infestation in orchards on heavy soils where early spraying was impossible.

Dominion Entomological Laboratory, Annapolis Royal.

May frost less injurious to fruit setting than anticipated. Apples setting well. Orchard insects generally well under control but rosy aphis appearing in many districts. Scab prevalent on foliage but most growers well up with spray schedule. Moisture conditions satisfactory. Other crops somewhat late.

NEW BRUNSWICK

Dominion Experimental Station, Fredericton.

Warm dry weather last two weeks dried up land and farmers were able to sow bulk of crop. Growing conditions excellent. Hay and pastures growing vigorously. All crops germinating well and making good growth. Apples good set although bloom was light.

NEW BRUNSWICK - Concluded.

Supervisor of Illustration Station, Fredericton.

Seeding season for grain will be prolonged to third week of June in many districts. Heavy rain June twelfth insures a big hay crop; lush grass growth. Also rank growth in early-seeded crops. Mangold acreage reduced due to lateness of season. Bulk of Swede turnips yet to be sown.

QUEBEC

Provincial Department of Agriculture, Quebec.

The weather during the last fortnight has been very favourable for all crops. Seeding well-advanced over the whole province, completed in some districts. Growth generally luxuriant. Rains of June 11 have been very helpful. Some damage from too much rain is reported on light soils in Gatineau and Pontiac. Meadows and pasture lands in excellent condition. Noticeable improvement in condition of crops.

Provincial Entomologist, Quebec.

No further setbacks to crop development have occurred during the past fortnight. Warm weather is encouraging an increase of insect pests. Damage from frost in the middle of May appears less serious than anticipated.

Dominion Experimental Station, Cap Rouge.

Seeding operations on low land not yet completed due to rainy weather. Pastures very good. Hay crop promising. Cereals growing well. Prospect of good strawberry and raspberry crops. Strawberry weevil and cutworms appearing. Apple blossom was heavy and prospect of a good crop on trees of bearing age. Garden crops growing well but late.

Dominion Experimental Station, Farnham

Hay and pasture very good. Sowing of grain practically finished. Corn mostly sown. Planting tobacco general. Truck crops doing well. The week was nice and warm; favourable to farm work.

Dominion Experimental Station, La Ferme.

The weather since June 5 has been favourable for seeding and grain is practically all in the ground. Stock have been on pastures for a week. Wild hay is short and thick and clover fine. Potatoes are in the ground. Germination has been very rapid; oats seeded on the 8th are up already. Dairy production has doubled since the first of June.

Dominion Experimental Station, Ste. Anne de la Pocatière.

Due to clear and warm weather, seeding is proceeding nicely in the district. Pastures doing particularly well. Hay crop promising. Our orchard was in full bloom on the eighth and if we judge from the blossom on the trees, would have one of the heaviest crops ever recorded.

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

Seeding practically done in lower St. Lawrence district. Temperature favourable to plant growth in past two weeks. The hay crop will be good. The pastures are supplying abundant grazing. No cutworms or insects appeared yet, except flea beetle on the turnips.

Dominion Experimental Station, Lennoxville.

Weather favourable to growth. Hay average to good. Considerable late sown grain. Grain growing well. Pastures good. Roots and corn germinating well. Late bloom on strawberries promises fair crop. Apples very light.

Dominion Entomological Laboratory, Hemmingford.

Weather warm with showers. Pastures and hay crops much improved. Seeding completed and fodder corn has germinated rapidly. Apple crop will be less than one-third normal. Scab has appeared in many orchards. Potato beetles, flea beetles and cutworms are numerous.

ONTARIO

Provincial Department of Agriculture, Toronto.

Seeding of spring grains extended over a long period but now practically completed. Cold dry windy weather during last half of May retarded development of all crops. Conditions have been very favourable since first of June and crops, although still considerably below normal are making rapid growth. Rain is again needed in most parts of the province. Haying just commencing and will be general in western Ontario in a week or ten days. Hay crops were checked by frost and will be rather light except in northern Ontario where the outlook is very good. Fall wheat is heading out.

Dominion Experimental Station, Harrow.

Crops have responded very well to the heavy precipitation during the early part of the month. The forty-five thousand acre tobacco crop in southwestern Ontario is at least eight per cent planted. Some hay has been cut in **district and marketing of truck** crops is in full progress.

Dominion Entomological Laboratory, Strathroy.

Cutting of alfalfa started. Wheat in head. Cool weather slightly retarding growth. Insect conditions normal and generally under control.

Dominion Entomological Laboratory, Chatham.

All crops progressing favourably. Cutworms, wireworms and flea beetles abundant and destructive to local areas of certain field and garden crops.

Dominion Entomological Laboratory, Vineland.

Grape leaf hoppers are again present in injurious numbers in Niagara peninsula vineyards. So far weather conditions have been very unfavourable for the oriental fruit moth and the codling moth.

Dominion Experimental Station, Kapuskasing.

Seeding completed on experimental station on sixth. Some settlers still seeding. Grain just showing through. Grass and clover splendid but very late. Stock went out on grass on ninth. Pasture excellent but rain needed at present.

MANITOBA

Provincial Department of Agriculture, Winnipeg.

Past week has witnessed favourable crop progress. Light roving showers but no general rain. High winds have caused heavy evaporation and rain, though not urgently required as yet, would be welcome.

Agricultural Representative, Carman.

Excellent growth in all crops. Moisture fair. Wheat in shot blade. Week's growth heavy. Some summer fallows not being worked early enough. Live stock doing fine. Pasture good and hay prospects good.

Dominion Experimental Station, Morden.

Crop much improved since rains of week-end of sixth. Heavy winds causing high evaporation. Weather cool. Considerable wheat in shot blade. Wheat crop will be short. Rain required to keep crop growing. Pastures much improved. Hay crop will be short.

Dominion Experimental Farm, Brandon.

Rain one week ago revived crops before effects of May drought became severe. Early sown wheat crops looking well. Late sown crops still a little backward. Hay and pasture greatly improved but somewhat short. Hail in southwestern Manitoba caused some damage, particularly to fall rye. Prospects in general satisfactory.

Telegraphic Correspondent, Killarney.

Crop prospects at present fair to good. Straw will be short. Grass scant as pastures not responding to rains of June eight as desired and a soaking rain is needed. Light showers last night and to-day high winds with cloudy sky. Wheat nine to ten inches high; some of it in shot blade. Crop suffering considerably from weeds.

Telegraphic Correspondent, Melita.

Early wheat twelve inches high. Coarse grains good on the whole. Crop very weedy. Slight damage done by soil drifting. Pastures fair. Horses and cattle in good condition. Clover crop good.

Telegraphic Correspondent, Kelwood.

Good rain seventh and fifteenth. Grain well rooted growth and quite promising. Damage due to soil drifting and outworms will be small. Some fields quite weedy.

Agricultural Representative, Portage la Prairie.

Good general rain on the seventh. Cool weather most of past week. Crop well rooted; looking excellent. Flax and corn acreage increased. No crop damage by insects or weather. Cutworms active in gardens.

Telegraphic Correspondent, Minnedosa.

Weather cold and unsettled. Light shower to-day. Need rain badly; less than one inch precipitation in two months. Late grain uneven and slow. Cutworm damage in gardens. No other insect damage.

Telegraphic Correspondent, Russell.

Progress all crops good and weather for most part cool with a few degrees frost in spots over week-end. Nice rain during Sunday night; still cool.

SASKATCHEWAN

Provincial Department of Agriculture, Regina.

Cool weather during the first week in June followed by good rains over most of southern Saskatchewan checked to a very large extent crop deterioration which had set in at many points, particularly in western areas due to extremely high temperatures and lack of rainfall in late May. Precipitation, however, has been much lighter in northern districts and in northern Saskatchewan, especially; heavy rains are urgently needed. Growth has been slow on the whole but this is not so marked in the early sown wheat, which in some cases has shown quite rapid growth. Quite a number however, report late sown wheat and coarse grains patchy due to uneven germination and growth. In the western portion of the province moisture supplies are insufficient and although recent rains have brought temporary relief at several points, more is urgently needed, particularly in the northwest, where the crops have suffered a set-back from drought. Although rain is needed soon in eastern Saskatchewan, crops on the whole are making fair progress and are considerably better than those in the western portion. Good general rains over the province would greatly change the crop situation. Grasshoppers have hatched in the drier portions of the province and where they have made their appearance a vigorous poisoning campaign is being carried on. Apart from some patches of cutworm and wireworm damage and some hail at Dodsland, there has been no material injury from these sources. Although serious in spots the aggregate damage from soil drifting has not been great. Seeding of coarse grains is practically completed, except for some green feed. Live stock are in fair condition; pastures have improved with the recent rains but are somewhat short in the western portion of the province.

Dominion Experimental Farm, Indian Head.

Light rains and cooler weather have partially improved crop conditions. Early sown wheat in shot blade. Late sown grains uneven germination. Hay crops light. Good steady rains urgently required. Rainfall covering June first to fourteenth - 0.88 inches compared with 2.67 inches in same period last year.

SASKATCHEWAN - Concl'd.

Dominion Experimental Station, Swift Current.

June sixth and seventh rains materially improved crop conditions but more rain needed soon. June rainfall 1.12 inches. Earlier wheat in jointing stage four to eight inches high. Spring rye in shot blade. Considerable wireworm damage. Crops generally show considerable weed infestation. Pastures temporarily improved.

Supervisor of Illustration Stations, Swift Current.

Gravelbourg - June rainfall 0.90 inches; early wheat six to ten inches, making fair growth; late sown grain on stubble land uneven; more moisture needed. Limerick - weather warm; early crop on fallow well advanced; late sown uneven; June rainfall 0.60 inches; more moisture required; Kincaid - June rainfall 0.76; early sown grain has made good growth; late crop only fair; more moisture needed; some hoppers hatched, damaging crop in spots.

Dominion Experimental Station, Rosthern.

Weather cloudy, cool and dry. Grain crops showing signs of drought but condition is still fair. 0.28 inches rainfall for week. Fall rye in flowering stage. New hay crops and pastures poor. Grain six to eight inches high with no growth made the past week.

Dominion Experimental Station, Melfort.

Damage from drought only slight due to scattered showers and cool weather from Tisdale west. From Tisdale east and north abundant rain during week. Light frost June eighth did slight garden damage. Heavier frost June thirteenth did extensive garden damage.

Dominion Experimental Station, Scott.

Scattered light showers during past week have freshened grain crops but a heavy general rain is needed soon in northwestern Saskatchewan to save the parched crops. Early sown grains short for this date and already coming in shot blade. Grasshopper situation quite serious and flea beetle bothering gardens.

District Experiment Sub-Station Supervisor, Scott. (reporting from Prince Albert).

Crops in districts east of Rosetown to Guernsey generally good with sufficient moisture. Slight damage from grasshoppers in Juniata district. Birchhills-Tisdale district needs rain but crops not suffering greatly. Uneven growth at Whitefox and Weirdale but heavy rains today. Slight damage from cutworms.

ALBERTA

Dominion Experimental Station and Supervisor of Illustration Stations, Lethbridge.

Warm weather following rains of the last part of last week and early part of week ending today has caused rapid growth of all crops south of Calgary. Timely rains are reported at Hanna, Oyen and Bindloss. Thinning of sugar beets well advanced after some delay due to wet weather and beet crop now more advanced than a year ago.

Telegraphic Correspondent, Calgary.

Seeding completed. Odd local showers during week. Growing conditions excellent.

Telegraphic Correspondent, Hanna.

Three quarters of an inch of rain during past week. Summerfallow wheat average 8 inches, oats 5 inches. Stubble wheat 20 per cent damaged by hoppers. Hay and pasture good. General crop conditions normal.

Telegraphic Correspondent, Olds.

Grain made very little improvement on account of weather being too cold but warming up now and have lots of moisture. Crops should come on fast. There will be reductions in all grain; at least 5 per cent on account of too much rain. No damage to report.

ALBERTA - Concluded.

Telegraphic Correspondent, Stettler.

Weather cloudy and cool; about one inch rain. Need more rain and sunshine. Wheat averages seven inches high. No damage but season late. Pastures good. General crop conditions fair.

Telegraphic Correspondent, Sedgewick.

Cool cloudy weather during past week; no rain. Early sown crops showing yellow patches; will be in shot blade in another week.

Telegraphic Correspondent, Edmonton.

No rain since last report until this morning. Still cloudy; looks like more rain. Crops not suffering, but rain needed as top soil quite dry and late grains not coming along as they should. Early sown wheat good stand; about ten inches high. Cloudy and cool.

Telegraphic Correspondent, Vermilion.

Weather has been mostly cloudy and cool with light showers today. Crops are growing very slowly and urgently need a good rain and sunshine. A few reports of cutworm damage. Rain this week 0.03 inch.

Dominion Experimental Sub-station, Beaverlodge.

Recent rains have made marked improvements in crop situation in certain districts but others still need a soaking rain and lower Peace points report frost damage. General situation good.

Dominion Experimental Station, Lacombe.

With precipitation varying from quarter to over an inch in surrounding district and moderate temperature all crops making good growth though still about week late. Good rains needed particularly for hay crops. Pastures good. First hail of season occurred north of station June twelve; damage severe but crops should recover.

BRITISH COLUMBIA

Provincial Department of Agriculture, Victoria.

The weather throughout the province during the past two weeks has been unusually dull and cloudy with frequent showers and heavy rains. There have been a few fine days interspersed during the period of dull weather. Growth is extremely rapid in all outdoor crops but the weather is creating a problem in both wheat control and the hay and strawberry harvest. The moisture situation is good and up to the present conditions have been favourable for most crops but warm weather is needed now to bring many crops to maturity. All spring sown grains are in good condition and some stands of fall wheat are now heading out. Vegetable crops look very encouraging with bunched beets, carrots and turnips moving freely also head lettuce, cabbage cauliflower and potatoes. First carload strawberries shipped June tenth; peak of season expected about June twenty-third. Cutworms are a problem in the tomato acreage and onion maggot has caused considerable damage.

Dominion Entomological Laboratory, Victoria.

Weather continues cool and showery. Fine weather urgently needed for strawberry crop. Plum rot prevalent on cherries. Insect pests and fungous diseases abundant. Tent caterpillar outbreak this year and many trees defoliated. Hay heavy crop but fine weather needed for harvesting. Grain and other field crops looking well.

Dominion Experimental Farm, Agassiz.

Fraser River seriously flooded local areas at Agassiz, Harrison-Mills, Dewdney, Hatzio, Glenvalley. Many flooded crops recovering; actual percentage damage very small. Season is late. Early oats good. Some oats still to seed. Hay more promising than last month with cutting started. Still considerable corn to plant and warm dry weather required. Raspberry and strawberry crops greatly reduced. Pastures now at their best.

Dominion Experimental Station, Summerland.

Heavy rains have ruined tons fresh cut alfalfa hay. Soil moisture condition very favourable. Forage and vegetable crops making excellent growth. Poor set of apples reported in north Okanagan but good crop expected in south. Cherry and peach crops will be light.



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