

# OUR FARM PAGE: ITEMS OF INTEREST TO EVERY FARMER

## Crops Growing Well Throughout the Dominion

Following is a brief synopsis of reports received by the Bank of Montreal from its branches throughout Canada.

**General**  
In the Prairie Provinces crops on the whole have benefited from light to heavy rains. A large percentage of the wheat is in shot blade, with early sown fields heading out. Moisture conditions are growing well. In Alberta and Saskatchewan, generally, good rains are needed to maintain present prospects, particularly in Central and Northern Saskatchewan, and in the northern part of Alberta. Grasshoppers are prevalent and have caused serious damage in Southwestern Alberta and Southwestern Saskatchewan. Pastures are in good condition in Alberta and Manitoba, but are only fair in Saskatchewan. In Quebec Province growth of crops has been retarded during the past two weeks by excessive rains and cold weather. Moisture is ample, and warm, dry weather is urgently needed. In Ontario field crops generally are in good condition, but adverse effects from excessive rainfall and cool temperatures are feared, and rains have been interfering with the cutting of a heavy hay crop. In the Maritime Provinces crops are backward and the cold and wet weather of the past fortnight has not been conducive to growth. In British Columbia, where practically all crops are doing well, hot, dry weather has been general and rain would now be beneficial.

**Prairie Provinces**  
**ALBERTA**—Prospects continue favourable and recent warmer weather in Northern districts should promote more rapid growth. Early sown wheat is in shot blade. Moisture conditions have been satisfactory, but good general rains are now needed, particularly in Southern areas. Grasshoppers continue active in the Southeast and wireworms have caused slight damage in the Peace River District. Sugar beet crops are satisfactory. Pastureage is excellent. **SASKATCHEWAN**—Light to heavy rains have fallen over most of the Province and crops on the whole are advancing satisfactorily. Wheat is mostly in shot blade, with early sown grain on stubble land heading out short. In many districts sub-soil moisture reserves are low and early heavy rains are needed, particularly in Central and Northern districts. Grasshoppers have caused considerable damage in the Southwestern section. **MANITOBA**—Moderate to heavy rains have been beneficial and crops throughout the Province are developing well. Wheat stands are of even growth and are mostly in the shot blade, early sown fields are heading out. Coarse grains are progressing favourably. The growth of sugar beets is satisfactory, thinning is in progress. Pastures are in good condition.

**Province of Quebec**  
**EASTERN TOWNSHIPS and OTTAWA VALLEY**—Excessive rainfall with low temperatures has been detrimental to growth. Grains have made only slow progress. Haying has commenced in some sections, but is delayed in others owing to adverse weather conditions; while reports vary, a slightly better-than-average yield is generally indicated. Pastures are in good condition. Potatoes are growing well, other root crops are backward. Orchards are in good condition. The strawberry crop has suffered from unfavourable weather conditions. **LOWER ST. LAWRENCE and LAKE ST. JOSEPH DISTRICTS**—The season is progressing well, but has made only slow progress. Warm, dry weather is needed to promote growth. Grains have germinated well. A fair-to-average hay crop is indicated.

**Province of Ontario**  
Fall wheat is filling satisfactorily. In some districts high winds and rains have caused lodging. Spring grains are progressing well and prospects are favourable. Corn has germinated satisfactorily; growth has been slow. Following late planting, root crops are making steady progress. A record acreage of sugar beets has been sown. Pastures are in excellent condition. An above-average yield of strawberries is being marketed and a good average raspberry crop is in prospect. Tree fruits are promising. Tobacco plants have suffered from excessive moisture, particularly on low lands, and hail has necessitated replanting in some areas.

**Maritime Provinces**  
In Nova Scotia and New Brunswick seeding of grain is completed, but growth has been slow. Potato plants have made good progress. The hay crop in some districts has suffered from excessive moisture, but, in general, a better-than-average yield is indicated. Pastures are in good condition. A medium to heavy set of apples, particularly under control. In Prince Edward Island moisture has been ample and crops have germinated well. The hay crop is promising and roots have shown good growth. Grapes are making satisfactory progress and pastures are in excellent condition. Strawberries will be a heavy crop.

**Province of British Columbia**  
Haying is in full swing, with the yield above average. Cutting of the first alfalfa crop has been completed. Potatoes continue to show good growth. Shipping of early potatoes is commencing and the first movement of tomatoes is looked for by July 15. Other vegetables are growing well, marketing of the early varieties is already under way and

### CAN SOW BUCKWHEAT UP TILL JULY 15th

Good Replacement for Crops Drowned out by Recent Rains, Says John D. MacLeod, Crops, Seeds and Weeds Branch, Ont. Dept. of Agriculture, Toronto.

Any farmer who has been unable to sow low lying areas or who has had crops drowned out as a result of recent heavy rains would be well advised to consider sowing buckwheat at this time, says John D. MacLeod, Crops, Seeds and Weeds Branch, Ont. Dept. of Agriculture, Toronto.

This crop, which may be sown as late as July 15th in many sections of Ontario, is adaptable to a wide variety of soils and will yield fair returns on soils which lack in fertility. The usual rate of seeding is from 3 to 1 1/2 bushels per acre. As a farm crop, buckwheat is entitled to a place of considerable importance among coarse grains; as food for live stock, it is regarded as almost interchangeable with barley and may be included in the rations for feeding all classes of livestock; it is extremely resistant to the attacks of soil insects; it makes an excellent green manure crop when ploughed down; it improves the physical condition of the soil and cannot be beaten as a smother crop for weeds.

Weedy pastures and weedy hay fields may be broken early in July, worked thoroughly and sown to buckwheat. If soil and moisture conditions are favorable the crop will be up in 4 days and the ground well covered with a luxuriant growth of leaves in a short time which will assist greatly in smothering weeds. Clean, well-graded, healthy seed and a well prepared seed bed are essential in order to obtain maximum yields. Mouldy buckwheat seed as a result of harvesting and threshing under unfavourable weather conditions is not uncommon and should be avoided.

The consideration of buckwheat as a "last resort" crop should be discouraged. It has a place among other grain crops, particularly this year, when maximum crops of home grown grains are essential. Moisture conditions at the present time are favorable for rapid growth and the possibility of harvesting a grain crop before fall frosts is excellent.

### Weed of the Week

#### HAWKWEEDS

King Devil and Orange Hawkweed, two closely related weeds are spreading rapidly on roadsides, old meadows and especially rough permanent pastures throughout the province, says John D. MacLeod, Crops and Weeds Branch, Ontario Department of Agriculture, Toronto. Both are vigorous growing perennials with trailing branches or stems close to the surface of the soil. These take roots every few inches and one neglected plant may increase to a large patch in a very short time. The leaves of both plants are, for the most part, attached to the crown and not to the stems. Leaves and stems are extremely hairy and filled with a bitter, milky juice. Due to the pungent flavour and hairy nature the "Hawkweeds" are not relished by livestock although they will eat them when pastures become short. "Orange Hawkweed" or "Devil's Paint Brush" as it is sometimes called, grows from one to two feet in height with orange red blossoms grouped in clusters.

"King Devil" will grow three feet or more in length and has a yellow blossom similar to, but less than half the size of "Bow Thistle". The roots of both plants are near the surface and are therefore easily killed by cultivation. Individual plants should be spudded out and great care should be taken to completely eradicate all small patches before they become firmly established in areas which are not being cultivated. This can be accomplished by the use of chemical weed killers and at a very small cost. Salt and waste oil have also been used to eradicate small patches, and tar paper, manure, and straw have been used to smother out patches.

One farmer reports that he has been able to control Hawkweeds on rough pasture by tearing up the ground early in the spring with an old harrow. A disc harrow has also proven effective. Owing to shallow roots, both Hawkweeds may be easily pulled out when the ground is wet. The area can then be given a little covering of manure and seeded with vigorous grasses. This method stimulates the growth of grass and helps choke out the Hawkweeds.

Both these weeds are easily eradicated by cultivation. However, in any rough permanent pastures they spread rapidly by means of blowing seeds and trailing stems and are rapidly ruining thousands of acres.

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heavy crops of an excellent quality are indicated. Raspberries and loganberries are on the market, the former are below standard, due to lack of moisture. A good average crop of apples is now expected, although the yield of late varieties may prove to be less than average. Pastureage conditions plentiful. A sufficient supply of water for irrigation purposes is reported generally.



### "This Freedom"

CBC's Vancouver studios will produce the feature presentation, "This Freedom" on Friday, July 19 at 8:00 to 8:45 p.m. EDT. This is an original music-dramatogue, written for radio by Aileen Beaufort of the CBC continuity staff, and will be directed by Andrew Allan.

The broadcast will trace the history and growth of the democratic institutions which are treasured by Britons throughout the world. The story is presented as a background to the war against oppression upon which the Empire is traditionally engaged. The long struggle for healthy reform, for maintenance of democratic institutions and continual improvement in our standards of living, is one in which British people have been engaged for centuries. Again today in this new conflict, they have pledged themselves anew to defend, maintain and promote "This Freedom."

### "Mexican Murals"

Impressions of Mexico captured by an enthusiastic cameraman, Dr. A. I. Willinsky of Toronto, will be given to CBC listeners Thursday, July 18 at 7:45 p.m. EDT. Dr. Willinsky, whose

fame as a surgeon is equalled by his ability in sound and colour photography, has travelled extensively in Mexico and South America. Exotically plumed birds, vivid floral rarities and quaint native scenes found his camera sympathetic and graphic. His impressions of these picturesque travels will be the subject of his talk which will be illustrated with typical Mexican music heard from the Rio Grande to Acapulco.

### Red Cross Volunteer

The demands of a broadcasting career have not overpowered Marcella Barthe, Montreal's attractive and capable woman announcer. Mlle. Barthe is one of the busiest Red Cross volunteer workers in the Dominion. The time in the studio between announcements finds this bilingual announcer busily engaged in knitting socks and other soldiers' comforts, and when time off frees her for other activities she may usually be found at the nearest Red Cross depot lending a hand with bandage making, packing and all other tasks undertaken by this great organization.

### Time Out for Happy Gang

The Happy Gang goes merrily off on vacation July 26. They will be back again (courtesy of Hugh Bartlett) Monday, September 2. Bert Pearl says they have just one regret. The practice of seeing so many friends in the studios during the holiday period in past summers has had to be interrupted this season. This is a matter of as much disappointment to the members of the Happy Gang as it is to their fans, and on behalf of the boys and Kathleen, Bert sends regrets and good wishes for a grand vacation and a cordial invitation to listen in until the gang signs off and when they come back in September, same hour 1:00 to 1:30 p.m. EDT.

### Oh My, What Shall I Do?

What to have in the family medicine cabinet and what to pack in the emergency kit will be described for listeners by a prominent woman doctor during a broadcast on "First Aid in the Home" Thursday, July 18 at 5:15 p.m. EDT. The right sized bandages, the quickest antidotes for poisons and the best pain-relieving treatments for sudden scalds should become common knowledge to every responsible person. And don't let little Johnny wash the labels off the bottles when he wants to help with the bathroom house-cleaning. Always annoying, sometimes dangerous, occasionally fatal.

### KYLE-ROUS WEDDING

A wedding of interest took place in Trinity Anglican church, Simcoe, on Saturday afternoon, June 1st, with Rev. W. E. V. McMillen, rector of Trinity, officiating at the ceremony, which united Marjorie Anne, only daughter of Mrs. Henry C. Rous, Hamilton, and granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Price, of Simcoe, formerly of Silvercreek, and Mr. John Sheridan Kyle, Toronto, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Kyle, of Winnipeg, Manitoba. The church was charmingly decorated with white lilies, and dresses of the bride and her attendants were all white.

The bridal gown was made with a long, light bodice of white lace, puff sleeves and a floor-length white silk net full skirt, over a white tulle slip. Small buttons from throat to waist fastened the bodice. A white tulle finger-tip double veil, with graduated scallops, flowed from a white, pleated rosette hat. Her flowers were

white roses and lilies of the valley. The bride entered the church—was her uncle, Dr. E. Pennell, Bro. of Ottawa, Mr. P. G. Marshall, L.R.S.M., played the wedding music.

The maid of honour was a sister of the groom, Miss Grace Kyle, of Toronto, who wore white silk net and headpiece of white, pleated net, with long streamers tied in a bow behind the head. Topping the rosette were pink roses to match her nosegay of pink roses. The junior bridesmaid was Miss Yvonne Price, Simcoe, cousin of the bride, who wore an ensemble identical in all respects with that of the maid of honour. They wore silver socks, gifts of the bride.

The groom was attended by Mr. John E. Rous, of Ottawa, brother of the bride, and ushers were Mr. John E. Pritchard, and the bride's cousin, Mr. William A. Rous, both of Toronto. During signing of the register Mrs. J. D. Willis, Toronto, sang "Beloved is the Morn."

The wedding reception was held at the Norfolk Golf and Country Club, 45 guests being present. Mrs. Rous wore hyacinth blue chiffon with matching turban and veil and corsage bouquet of roses. Mrs. Kyle, the groom's mother, was in dusty rose chiffon with cartwheel cream straw hat, and bouquet of pink roses and forget-me-nots. Mrs. Price, grandmother of the bride, wore a printed dress of navy and white with navy and white hat.

For traveling the bride wore a dusty rose frock and matching rose hat. Her topcoat was charteruse with grey hat, and bouquet of pink roses and forget-me-nots. Mrs. Price, grandmother of the bride, wore a printed dress of navy and white with navy and white hat.

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We regard this to be our simple duty as a Canadian institution, one of the industrial resources of the Dominion. The 8,400 employees in our plants as well as our widespread dealer and service organization from coast to coast are Canadian. The Company's shareholders include a large proportion of Canadian investors. No one individual, family or company has a majority control of our shares.

For these reasons, aside from our deep feeling of loyalty to the Empire and its high purposes, it is fitting that Ford Motor Company of Canada, Limited should give whole-hearted support to the national war effort.

From the very beginning this has been our course. Even before war was declared, in co-operation with officers of the Department of National Defence, we laid in our plant the groundwork of military production. Since conflict became a reality we have given war orders precedence over everything else. More than fifty per cent of our production is in vehicles for military use and this percentage is increasing rapidly.

We are now engaged in supplying approximately 35,000 motorized vehicles of many types, of which 10,000 are for the Canadian government and 25,000 for other Empire governments.

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plant addition to provide facilities for the building of Universal machine gun carriers of which we have undertaken to deliver fifty a week to the Canadian government as soon as production can be started. This addition will also enable us to increase production of other types of military vehicles. Our affiliated companies with plants in South Africa, Australia, New Zealand, India and Malaya are similarly engaged in Empire service.

Beyond our manufacturing facilities we have been fortunately able to contribute skilled man-power. From our Canadian and overseas organization, engineers and men with special training in transport and other lines are rendering valuable service.

Major adjustments in our business have been necessary through loss of export trade and because of domestic taxation. We have made these adjustments cheerfully. Our one concern now is the successful prosecution of this war so that people of all nations may again be able to work in freedom and peace.

*W. M. Campbell*  
PRESIDENT  
FORD MOTOR COMPANY OF CANADA, LIMITED

### Statement in Parliament by the Hon. C. D. Howe, Minister of Munitions and Supply

"The president of the Canadian Company has shown perhaps as keen a desire to assist in Canada's war effort as any citizen of this Dominion has done. His corporation since the outbreak of the war has done and is doing very important work for Canada's war effort, in the way of building motor transports and Universal carriers. The company has placed itself entirely in the hands of the government as to the terms of the contract which it has had."

"A contract, providing for a fixed price as low as we could find any basis for asking, was worked out; an overriding provision was inserted that the books of the company would be audited and if the stipulated price produced a profit more than a very low percentage indeed, that price would be scaled down accordingly. In other words, the work of the Ford Motor Company of Canada, its attitude toward the war, and its ability to assist in Canada's war effort, have been so far as I have been able to observe, beyond criticism."

### Statement in Senate by Senator Raoul Dandurand, Government Leader in the Senate

"Ford Motor Company of Canada is doing its utmost to serve the interests of the country, the War Supply Board and the Government."

### Statement in the Senate by Rt. Hon. Arthur Meighen, Conservative Leader in the Senate

"They (Ford dealers in Canada) are numbered in the hundreds. And the number of employees of these dealers is very large. The ramifications are tremendous. For all the purposes concerning us, the Company is a Canadian concern, and I can add to the assurance given by the honourable leader of the House my own feeling that there are no better Canadians than those at the head of the Ford Motor Company of Canada and throughout that Company's organization. They will assist us to the utmost in our war work."

**Women's Auxiliary Motor Service**  
Early in the war the Ford Motor Company of Canada, Limited, organized free training courses for women in the care and operation of motor vehicles for possible war service. 284 such classes have been conducted, with an enrolment of 7,343. The number who have completed the eight-week course is 3,473, with 2,656 now under instruction and 1,214 enrolled in new classes about to start. All instruction and equipment has been furnished by Ford dealers and the Company without charge.

**Types of Motorized Vehicles for Military Use Being Made by Ford Motor Company of Canada**  
The Company is engaged in manufacturing 35,000 motorized vehicles for Canadian and overseas governments. They include light two-wheel drive trucks, known as 8-cwt., which are used for carrying light stores, personnel or wireless sets; 15-cwt. units, used to transport heavier loads, personnel, as anti-tank gun tractors, water tank carriers, etc.; 30-cwt. four-wheel drive, used as load carriers; three-ton, four and six wheel, for heavy loads, for workshops, for wrecking equipment, etc.; four-wheel drive gun tractors used to haul artillery, as well as ambulances and regular passenger cars and station wagons specially fitted and painted for army purposes. Present schedule of deliveries of these military vehicles constitutes more than 50 per cent of the Company's production. The plant is working day and night.