

Some Extent And Effect Of The 1934 Drought

A review of the drought conditions of 1934, issued under date of August 15, 1934, by the Bureau of Agricultural Economics, United States Department of Agriculture, Washington, affords an appreciable picture of the situation in various countries, particularly in the United States, arising from the unusual scarcity of rainfall which has characterized the summer of this year.

Europe and the Danubian countries are substantially below the crops of 1932 and 1933. The same is true of feed grains with the exception of corn in the Danube basin, where a substantial exportable surplus is expected. Excepting Northern France, where wheat suffered from drought, and England, where pastures were seriously affected, most of the other parts of Europe have escaped serious damage. Detailed reports on crop conditions in the Soviet Union are not available but it appears that European Russia experienced an unusually dry spring and smaller than average crops are to be expected. In China the reduction in the rice crop because of drought is estimated at 30 per cent. below that of 1933 due mainly to excessive rainfall and floods during July. Several parts of the southern hemisphere have reported drought conditions in recent months affecting wheat seeding in areas of Argentina and Australia. The acreage reduction in Argentina due to drought may reach 350,000 acres or about 5 per cent, while in Australia the total wheat acreage reduction of 2,000,000 acres (or 15 to 20 per cent) is in prospect. The acreage reduction in Australia is not altogether due to drought, but in part to a shift to sheep and wool.

The following references to Canadian crop production are from Canadian official sources and indicate the effect of the drought as experienced in Canada. The Dominion Bureau of Statistics, in a bulletin issued September 11, estimates the total yield in bushels as follows: Spring Wheat, 270,282,000; Fall Wheat, 7,022,000; Oats, 344,745,000; Barley, 68,800,000; Rye, 6,523,000; Flaxseed, 1,096,000. Yields per acre of all grains are below average but are slightly higher than the revised estimates for last year.

Effect of Drought in Canada

The hay and clover crop is estimated at 9,884,000 tons, the lowest on record as compared with 11,433,000 tons in 1933 and an average yearly production of more than 16,000,000 for the four years 1928-1930. The fear was therefore well founded that Canada might be faced with a hay shortage, and the Order-in-Council of August 24th was accordingly passed requiring a license for all exports of hay and straw. A subsequent survey of hay supplies indicated some surplus in the Ottawa and St. Lawrence Valleys and to a less extent in a few other areas of Canada, but a shortage in other areas, particularly in the west, is acute.

The Order-in-Council has had the effect of directing attention to the unusual shortage of supply, and the requiring of a license for export has prompted those in needy areas to anticipate their season's requirements in the west, where there is now substantial movement of hay in Canada from the surplus areas to the areas of shortage.

Conditions in Europe

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Timely Notes

Charlottetown is to have a Fur Pool. Ten well-known breeders in the vicinity of Charlottetown have applied for letters patent and the company will be functioning shortly. Colonel Ulric Dawson, who was manager of the Dominion Fur Sales, Summerside, will manage the enterprise. The office will be located in the Hooper building on Lower Queen Street, next to Mr. Sydney Green's office. The ten ranchers who are forming the company have a combined production of upwards of 4,000 pups this year, so that the company will be getting a large number of pelts from that source.

The regular inspection and tattooing of foxes registered in the Canadian National Live Stock Records will start October 15th. On that day the various inspectors who have been made familiar with the standards of the Association will take them through the various tasks which will take them over the whole Dominion wherever foxes are domiciled. We understand that Prince Edward Island has by far the largest membership and number of foxes registered of any of the nine provinces. It will be interesting when the total figures are released, as they will be later on in the season, to find out exactly how we stand.

Regarding the production of silver foxes in this Province, we have made many inquiries of people connected with the different Fur Pools and officials of the Canadian National Silver Fox Breeders' Association and have arrived at the conclusion that the total crop of pups in Prince Edward Island this year will be in the neighborhood of 20,000. Some say 100,000 but we think that 80,000 is nearer the mark. If the figures given above in regard to the United States production are correct, then the total for this Province would be about four-fifths that of the United States.

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HORSES

Carriage Stallion, 3 years or over, registered: 1, John E. Aitken, Fortune Bridge; 2, Howard Wood, Red House; 3, A. E. McDonald, Farmington.

Carriage Mare with Foal at foot: 1, Victor Peters, Rollo Bay; 2, Howard Wood, Red House; 3, Rev. A. L. Sinnott, Rollo Bay.

Carriage Filly or Gelding under 3 years: 1, Thomas Kiekham, Souris West; 2, John Norton, Annandale; 3, Edward Mahar, Rollo Bay.

Carriage Filly or Gelding under 2 years: 1, Rev. A. L. Sinnott; 2, Hugh McAulay, Souris Line Road; 3, Harry L. Morrow, Annandale.

Clydesdale, Percheron or Shire Stallion, 3 years or over, Registered: 1, C. E. Pratt & Son, St. Peter's; 2, W. H. Townshend & Sons, Rollo Bay.

Clydesdale, Percheron or Shire Stallion under 3 years. Registered: 1, Roland Sanderson, Marie; 2, Draft Mare with her Foal: 1, Joseph McRae, Rollo Bay; 2, C. W. Townshend, Fortune Bridge; 3, William Sheehan, Bear River.

Draft Foal of 1934: 1, W. H. Townshend; 2, Edwin Peters; 3, C. W. Townshend; 3, Joseph McRae.

Draft Filly or Gelding under 4 years: 1, W. H. Townshend & Sons; 2, Thomas Kiekham, Souris West; 3, Edwin Peters, Rollo Bay.

Draft Filly or Gelding under 3 years: 1, P. A. McIsaac, Souris Line Road; 2, Edwin Peters; 3, Frank Keefe, Rollo Bay.

Draft Filly or Gelding under 2 years: 1, C. W. Townshend; 2, Joseph McRae; 3, W. H. Townshend & Sons.

Draft Mare or Gelding, 4 years or over: 1, Matthew & McLean, Souris; 2, C. E. Pratt & Son; 3, W. H. Townshend & Sons; 4, C. E. Pratt & Son.

Mare or Gelding for General Purpose, any age: 1, John E. Aitken, Fortune Bridge; 2, Ernest Dingwell, Souris; 3, W. J. Brown, East Bait; 4, John E. Aitken.

Fast Draft Horses, Mares or Geldings owned by Exhibitor hitched to truck-wagon: 1, W. H. Townshend & Sons; 2, C. E. Pratt & Son; 3, F. W. Clay, Cardigan, R. R. 5.

Roadster Mare or Gelding shown in carriage: 1, Walter Mallard, Gowen Brae; 2, C. E. Pratt & Son; 3, D. E. Burke, Fortune Bridge; 4, Joseph McRae, Souris River.

Carriage Mare Registered any age: 1, John E. Aitken; 2, W. E. Aitken, St. Peter's; 3, Howard Wood, Champlain Draft Mare or Gelding, any age: 1, W. H. Townshend & Sons, Rollo Bay.

CATTLE

Holstein Bull, 1 year old. Registered: 1, Douglas Aitken, Fortune Bridge.

Holstein Bull Calf, registered: 1, Douglas Aitken; 2, Howard Wood, Red House.

Holstein Cow in milk or calf, 4 years and over. Registered: 1, Theodore Robertson, Red Point; 2, Preston Bryenton, Rollo Bay.

Holstein Heifer in milk or calf, 3 years old. Registered: 1, G. A. Wood & Sons, Rollo Bay; 2, G. A. Wood & Sons; 3, Howard Wood, Red House.

Holstein Heifer, 2 years old. Registered: 1, Lincoln Dewar, New Perth; 2, Douglas Aitken, Fortune Bridge; 3, Preston Bryenton, Rollo Bay.

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Holstein Heifer Calf (Senior) Pure Bred or Grade: 1, G. A. Wood & Sons; 2, Douglas Aitken; 3, Preston Bryenton.

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Bred or Grade: 1, Edward Bulpitt & Son; 2, Lester Johnston; 3, Edward Bulpitt.

Jersey or Guernsey Heifer, 3 years, Pure Bred or Grade: 1, Edward Bulpitt & Son, Cardigan; 2, Jersey or Guernsey Heifer, 1 year, Pure Bred or Grade: 1, D. R. Burke, Fortune Bridge; 2, D. R. Burke, Fortune Bridge; 3, Herbert Jackson.

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BUTTER AND CHEESE

Full tub or crock of salt butter, not less than 20 pounds, home-made: 1, Mrs. S. J. Rose, Lakeville; 2, Mrs. Edward Bulpitt, Cardigan; 3, Mrs. Mont. Anear, Lower Montague.

Basket of new butter in 1 lb. blocks not less than 5 lbs.: 1, Mrs. S. J. Rose, Lakeville; 2, Mrs. Duncan Coffin, Bay Fortune; 3, Mrs. Edward Bulpitt, Cardigan.

Basket of new Butter in fancy prints not less than 5 lbs.: 1, Mrs. S. J. Rose, Lakeville; 2, Mrs. Duncan Coffin, Bay Fortune; 3, Mrs. Edward Bulpitt, Cardigan.

Exhibit of Factory cheese not less than 80 lbs. H. J. McCormack, Dundas.

Warren L. Brenton, Judge.

ROOTS AND VEGETABLES

6 Table Turnips for Export: 1, Edwin Reid; 2, John Fisher, Rollo Bay; 3, Harold Bulpitt, Cardigan.

6 Swede Turnips for stock: 1, George McDonald & Sons, Brudenell; 2, Edwin Reid; 3, Jack Anear.

6 Mangel, Wurtzel: 1, George McDonald & Sons; 2, Jack Anear; 3, Edwin Reid.

6 Parsnips for table use: 1, Mont Anear; 2, Jack Anear; 3, Lorne Francis, Fortune.

6 Beets for table use: 1, Bernice Horne, Souris; 2, Mrs. Frank Poole, Souris; 3, Jack Anear.

6 Onions (Red): 1, Harold Bulpitt, Cardigan; 2, Mrs. Daniel McEachern, Souris; 3, Mrs. J. J. Horne, Souris.

6 Onions, White or Yellow: 1, Harold Bulpitt; 2, Mrs. Daniel McEachern; 3, Mrs. J. J. Horne.

6 Tomatoes (Red) for size, smoothness and perfection: 1, Harold Bulpitt; 2, Mrs. W. B. Leard, Souris; 3, Mrs. Daniel McEachern.

6 Green Tomatoes: 1, Mrs. W. B. Leard; 2, Jack Anear; 3, Philip Paquet, Souris.

6 Ears Table Corn: 1, Jack Anear; 2, Mrs. D. J. Stewart; 3, Mrs. Mont. Anear.

3 Cabbage Early: 1, H. J. McDonald, Souris West; 2, Mrs. Edwin Reid, Rollo Bay; 3, Mrs. D. J. Stewart.

3 Cabbage (Late): 1, Mrs. D. J. Stewart; 2, Philip Paquet, Souris; 3, Jack Anear.

6 Cucumbers for table use: 1, Mrs. M. Hubley; 2, Mrs. John Robertson; 3, Mrs. Edwin Reid.

6 Pumpkins by weight and quality: 1, Jack Anear; 2, V. O. Schirmer, Lower Montague; 3, Mrs. Edson Rose, East Baitic.

Squash: 1, Inez Stewart, Lower Montague; 2, Mrs. D. J. Stewart; 3, Mrs. J. J. Horne.

Potato Onions: 1, Mrs. D. J. Stewart; 2, Mrs. Hubley; 3, Major Reid, Rollo Bay.

1 dozen Escallops (single): 1, Mrs. Edwin Reid; 2, Mrs. Dan McEachern; 3, Mrs. Stephen Paquet, Souris.

Collection Table vegetables grown by Exhibitor (potatoes not included): 1, Mrs. Hubley; 2, Mrs. D. J. Stewart; 3, Gladys Mullally, Souris River.

Summer Squash: 1, Jack Anear; 2, Mont Anear; 3, Mrs. D. J. Stewart.

1 Peck Potatoes, Irish Cobblers (seed): 1, James A. E. McDonald & Sons, Little Pond; 2, Becher Dewar; 3, Joseph Neale, Bear River.

1 Peck Potatoes Green Mountains (seed): 1, C. E. McDonald & Sons; 2, James A. E. McDonald & Sons; 3, Jack Anear.

1 Peck Potatoes any other variety (seed): 1, Carl Mullally, Chestpew; 2, Dr. J. A. Clarke & S. G. Peppin, Judges.

FRUIT AND FLOWERS

5 Ben Davis Apples: 1, Mrs. M. S. Hubley; 2, James A. Gordon, New Perth; 3, Earl McKenzie, Montague.

5 Duchess of Oldenburg Apples: 1, Mrs. M. S. Hubley; 2, Earl McKenzie; 3, Mrs. V. O. Schirmer, Lower Montague.

5 Alexander Emperor Apples: 1, Mrs. M. S. Hubley; 2, James A. Gordon; 3, Earl McKenzie.

5 Wealthy Apples: 1, Jack Anear; 2, Earl McKenzie; 3, Mrs. M. S. Hubley.

Other varieties named (early): 1, Jack Anear; 2, Mrs. M. S. Hubley; 3, Earl McKenzie.

Other varieties named (winter apples): 1, Earl McKenzie; 2, Jack Anear.

1 box Apples packed for export: 1, Mrs. M. S. Hubley.

20 Translucent Crab Apples: 1, Earl McKenzie.

20 Hyslop Crab Apples: 1, Jack Anear; 2, Mont Anear; 3, Earl McKenzie.

20 Damsons

1, Mrs. V. O. Schirmer; 2, Mrs. D. J. Stewart; 3, Mrs. Whitman, Lower Montague.

30 other variety Plums named: 1, Mrs. D. J. Stewart; 2, Mrs. M. S. Hubley; 3, Inez Stewart.

Collection Apples: 1, Mrs. W. B. Leard, Souris; 2, Mrs. D. J. Stewart; 3, Margaret McQuaid, Souris.

Collection Dahlias, 12 blooms not less than 4 colors: 1, Mrs. W. B. Leard; 2, Mrs. J. W. Brennan, Souris; 3, Mrs. Lemuel McLaren, Montague.

Collection Gladioli: 1, Mrs. D. J. Stewart; 2, Mrs. J. B. Matthews, Souris; 3, Mrs. Harold Matthew.

Collection Nasturtiums not less than 4 varieties: 1, Mrs. J. W. Brennan, Souris; 2, Mrs. M. S. Hubley; 3, Mrs. J. B. Matthews.

Collection Panicles: 1, L. L. Cherville, Souris; 2, Mrs. D. J. Stewart; 3, Mrs. Lemuel McLaren, Montague.

Collection Dianthus: 1, Mrs. Daniel McEachern, Souris; 2, Mrs. D. J. Stewart; 3, Mrs. John McQuaid, Souris.

Collection Snapdragon 4 colors, 3 sprays each: 1, Mrs. Daniel McEachern, Souris; 2, Mrs. J. B. Matthews, Souris; 3, Mrs. John McQuaid, Souris.

Canned Chicken: 1, Althea Coffin, Bay Fortune; 2, Mrs. Howard Paquet, Souris; 3, Mrs. Edwin Reid.

Canned Beef: 1, Althea Coffin; 2, Mrs. Edwin Reid; 3, Mrs. S. J. Rose, Lakeville.

Canned Pies: 1, Gladys Mullally; 2, Mrs. Edson Rose; 3, Mrs. W. B. Leard.

Canned Beans: 1, Mrs. Mont Anear; 2, Mrs. Roy Crockett; 3, Mrs. C. W. Townshend.

Canned Tomatoes: 1, Mrs. Edwin Reid; 2, Mrs. Daniel McEachern.

Collection of Canned Vegetables: 1, Mrs. Daniel McEachern.

Misses Heazard & McMillan, Judges.

FANCY WORK

Knitted Shawl, any yarn: 1, Mrs. Lemuel McLaren, Montague.

Knitted Blanket: 1, Mrs. V. O. Schirmer; 2, Mrs. Charles Burke; 3, Mrs. Philip Carter; 4, Mrs. V. O. Schirmer.

Counterpane Knit or Crocheted, home-made: 1, Ella Beaton, East Point.

Patchwork Quilt, all cotton home-made: 1, Flora Paton, Rollo Bay West; 2, Mrs. V. O. Schirmer; 3, Mrs. M. E. McIsaac, Souris.

Patchwork Quilt, home-made silk or wool: 1, Mrs. Peter Hill; 2, Ella Beaton, East Point; 3, Mary Howlett, Souris River.

Heath Rug, all wool home-made: 1, Mrs. V. O. Schirmer; 2, Mrs. John McMillan, Souris River; 3, Mrs. A. McGilivray.

Heath Rug, any material: 1, Mrs. Margaret Robertson; 2, Mrs. Benjamin Bushey; 3, Jane P. McDonald, Souris.

Scenery Rug home-made: 1, Mrs. P. D. Peters.

2 Pair Woolen Socks, home-made: 1, Mrs. Charles Burke; 2, Mrs. Philip Carter; 3, Mrs. V. O. Schirmer.

1 pair Woolen Gloves, Island yarn, any color: 1, Mrs. V. O. Schirmer; 2, Mrs. Frank Gallant; 3, Mrs. Lazarus Leavers.

1 pair Woolen Mitts, Island yarn, any color: 1, Flora Paton; 2, Bertha McDonald; 3, Mrs. V. O. Schirmer.

Lady's Sweater, Island yarn, any color: 1, S. J. Watson, Rollo Bay; 2, Lorraine Coffin, Bay Fortune.

Pair Hand-worked Pillow Cases: 1, Mrs. Wilfred Wright, Souris; 2, Amy Townshend; 3, Agnes Cairns, Rollo Bay.

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