

CENTRAL STATES ARE MENACED BY FLOODS

Six Lives and Several Places Suffer Heavy Damage

Chicago, Ill.—Six lives were known to have been lost and two million dollars' worth of damage has been done at Terre Haute, Ind., and Jacksonville, Ill., in the third flood to sweep the Central West in ten days. The storm vented its wrath in Central Illinois and East Central Indiana, but dipped its currents across Iowa and North-western Missouri.

Terre Haute, one of the heaviest sufferers, in the deluge, counted twenty-five coal mines idle, five rail-ways all but inoperative, and many industries smitten in a cloudburst which brought more than six inches of rain to the city in the most serious inundation since the disastrous flood of 1913.

At Jacksonville water, light and power plants were put out of commission, and a dam burst; inhabitants of the city were driven to the second stories of their homes, and the State Hospital, containing several hundred patients, was menaced by high water. Throughout Central Illinois September rainfall approximated eleven inches in nine days, approaching rain-fall records for the entire month.

A Big Four engine buried itself in the mud and sand of a creek near Dudley, Ill., when rain washed out a bridge, and seventeen cars followed it into the stream. The engineer escaped with a broken leg and a fractured arm.

At Hannibal, Mo., where floods raged last week, a new rainfall of three inches put three hundred homes under water. The bursting of a levee at New Canton, Ill., carried the body of the aged Mrs. Whitely two blocks. Thousands of motor cars were abandoned in the streets at Springfield, Ill., when six inches of rain fell.



Gold Medal Winner.

Music day at the Canadian National Exhibition drew a host of competitors from all parts of Canada. Among these Mr. E. Badger, of Moose Jaw, Sask., whose photograph is shown above, distinguished himself by winning the gold medal against all solo competitors.

Queen Victoria's Marble Bath for Sale

London.—Queen Victoria's marble bath is for sale. Although it cost more than \$550 it can be purchased for \$200.

When Sir Robert Peel was Prime Minister he invited Queen Victoria to stay at Drayton Manor, his mansion near Tamworth, and went to enormous expense in making his home fit to receive his royal guest.

He engaged Italian craftsmen to construct a bath cut out of a solid block of white marble. The bath was made five feet seven inches long, and as Queen Victoria's height was generally accepted as being under five feet, she had ample room for ablutions.

Artificial Daylight Fails to Fool Blooms

Flowers—at least the Magnolia—cannot be kept awake by means of artificial light. Investigators of the Department of Agriculture, Washington, have found in motion-picture tests.

Using an automatic time lapse camera to record the growing stages of the flower, the investigators were treated to an unexpected sight, when the magnolia, set in a room flooded with electric light, closed its petals when natural darkness arrived, to open again only with the arrival of daylight.

Research Work Urged in Tropical Diseases

Men of first-rate scientific promise are being allowed to drift into the over-stocked professions, instead of being encouraged to undertake research work in connection with tropical diseases, in the opinion of Sir Farmer, of the Imperial College of Science, addressing the Empire University Congress at Cambridge.

Sir Arthur Shipley, chairman of the Imperial College of Tropical Agriculture, said the tropics were increasingly becoming a great reservoir of food. Whoever could find a cure for the fungus which destroys bananas, he declared, would make an enormous fortune.



Right Honorable W. L. Mackenzie King

Canadians Show Interest in Fisheries

The interest being taken in Canadian fishing waters by anglers from every part of the continent is becoming more and more pronounced, says the Natural Resources Intelligence Service of the Dept. of the Interior. Every day brings mail from many distant points wanting to know as to "where the fishing is good." The federal and provincial fishery departments are making every effort to see that the lakes are kept well stocked with fry so that this oldest of sports will continue to attract not only visitors, but our citizens seeking outdoor recreation. The program of the Ontario department alone provides for the placing of some 350,000,000 fry as compared with 35,000 only ten years ago.

Ancient Hampton Court Vine is Laden With Grapes

London.—Hampton Court's 158-year-old grape vine, which more than 300,000 visitors viewed this year, is now in the full beauty of its luscious crop of 500 bunches of black Hambro grapes, weighing from 1 to 2½ pounds each, and which in the next 10 days will be sold for 5s a pound for the benefit of charity.

The vine, with its enormous trunk and wide-spreading branches, is under glass shelter at the Palace, and was planted in the days of George III. It has been known to produce as many as 2,200 bunches annually, but for the past 20 years the number allowed to mature has been thinned down. An 11-year-old offset of the parent vine, now growing alongside, is cropping well.

Old Signal Tower at London Radio Fair

London.—Reproduction of the scene of the first wireless signal sent across the Atlantic, the twenty-fifth anniversary of which will be celebrated Dec. 12, was a feature of the National Radio Exhibition opening at Olympia on Sept. 4, and continuing until Sept. 18. Nearly a quarter of a century ago three dots, representing the Morse letter "S" was radiocast from England to St. Johns, Nfld., and the old barracks on Signal Hill at the latter place has been reproduced in honor of that event.

Two hundred British wireless manufacturers and dealers exhibited latest designs in accessories and new sets. The outstanding tendencies of the latter seem to be simplification of control and better quality of amplification.

Red River Pioneer Fatally Injured in Accident

Winnipeg.—Mrs. Harriet Cowan, Winnipeg's oldest pioneer woman, died here on Sept. 7, aged 94. She died from the effect of injuries sustained in a fall several days ago.

Mrs. Cowan was born a few miles from the present site of the City of Winnipeg. Many historic incidents are associated with her early days in the Red River settlement.

With her husband she was captured by Louis Riel and confined in Fort Garry, but later escaped. She witnessed the execution of Thomas Scott by the rebel followers of Louis Riel, and brought the first piano into the settlement. As a child Mrs. Cowan was in the thick of frontier warfare, her father being killed by Indians.

Fire!

Last year Canada had over five thousand forest fires burning over an area of nearly two million acres of which 90 per cent. were caused by human agency and carelessness. April 18th to April 24th was Forest Fire Prevention Week in Canada and the United States, but for every serious citizen of both countries, each week of the summer months should be a Fire Prevention Week, in so far as personal responsibility and carefulness can ensure.

Cows Milked in Heart of London's Shopping District

London.—In London's busiest shopping centre ten contented cows are milked twice a day and give 100 quarts of milk. They are housed in a shed in Clipstone Street, Tottenham Court Road, at the back of a dairy not far from Oxford Circus. Charles Porter, Medical Officer of Health for the district, reports that they are "undoubtedly very much better looked after than many of their sisters in the country." These city cows never see any green grass during their milk-giving career, and when returned to the country roam about the pasture ill at ease for a day or two.

London Fashion Orders Spattees for Mink

London.—London's latest fashion decree calls for Highland Spattees. They were sponsored by Lady Stath-spey. The spattees are made of shower-proof wool, and designed to protect dainty shoes and stockings in wet weather. They look like the ordinary leg covering used in the Scotch costume and reach within about three inches of the knees.

May Ask King and Queen to Visit Canada for Jubilee

Ottawa.—Invitations to their Majesties King George and Queen Mary to visit Canada next year in connection with the projected diamond jubilee celebration of Confederation throughout the Dominion will be extended if a suggestion made at the morning session of the fourteenth annual meeting of the Association of Canadian Clubs here is adopted by the Dominion Government.

Treasurer With Garden Hose Saves Sault City Hall

Sault Ste. Marie, Ont.—The presence of mind of City Finance Commissioner C. W. McCrae probably saved the city hall from fire damage at the City Hall. McCrae was in his office at noon in conversation with a citizen. Smoking smoke, McCrae went to the basement and found a serious fire blazing. He attacked it with a garden hose, and succeeded in putting it out.



Right Honorable Arthur Meighen

CASE OF DID NOT KNOW IT WAS LOADED

Eight-Year-Old Boy Shot in Head by His Companion Aged Ten

Kingston, Ont.—Frederick Clow of Farham, aged 8 years, is in Kingston General Hospital in a very serious condition as a result of an accidental shooting.

The boy and a companion about ten years of age, were out together. They had a .22 calibre rifle with them, which the other lad was handling. He did not know it was loaded and jokingly remarked that he was going to shoot young Clow. He pulled the trigger and the bullet entered the lad's head, passing under the right eye, near the nose, and passing through the base of the brain. The bullet did not affect the eye itself as it passed below it.

After medical consultation it was decided that nature must take its course, as it is impossible to dislodge the bullet from its position.

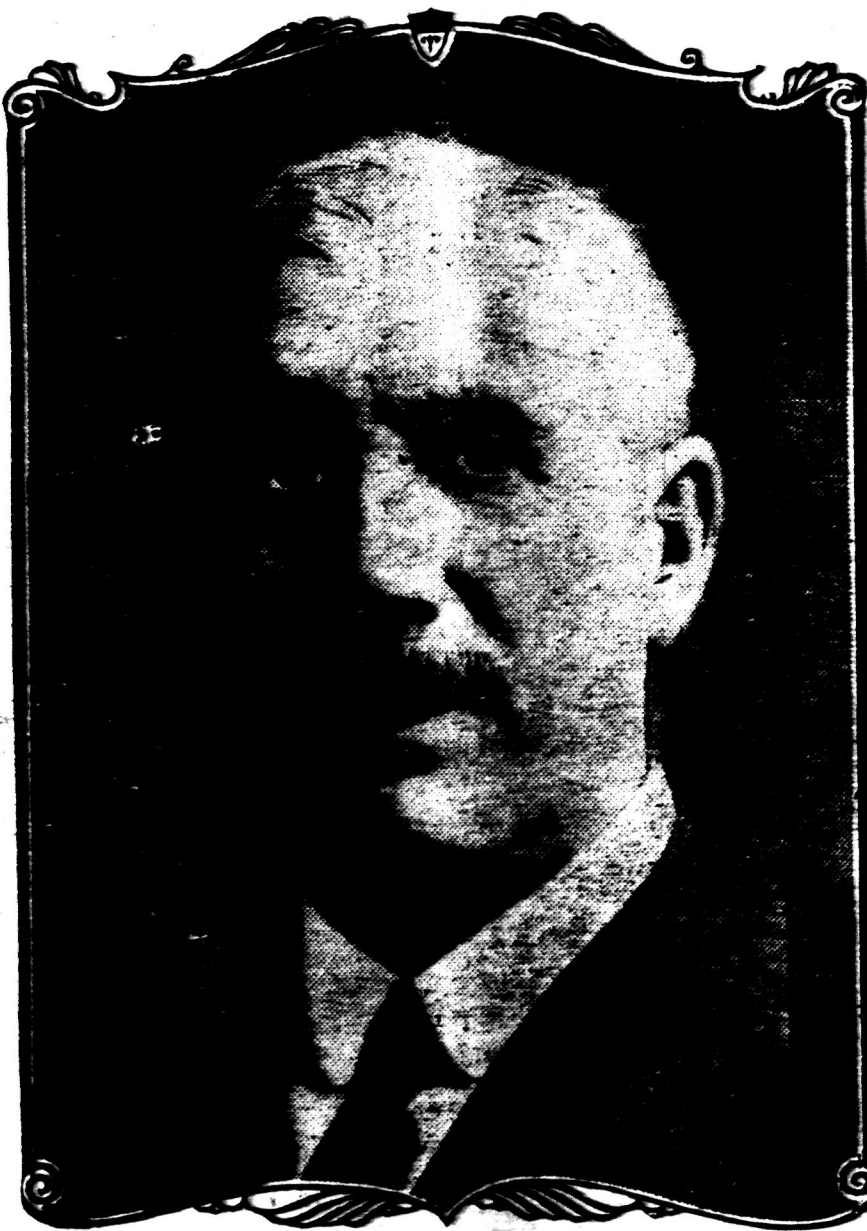
Prince to Visit Holy Land in 1927

Jerusalem.—The Prince of Wales will visit Palestine during April of next year, it is learned, coming here to dedicate the war cemetery on Mount Scopus.

General Sir Geo. McDonagh, Sir Frederic Kenyon, and Lord Arthur Brown, have arrived to inspect the war graves on behalf of the British War Graves Commission.

Jewish New Year

The holy season of the Jews commenced on Sept. 8 and lasts until the evening of Sept. 30. The 8th is Rosh Hashana, or New Year's Day, and the 30th is the Shmini Atzereth, the Feast of the Conclusion. In the Jewish tradition, the Rosh Hashana marks the anniversary of the creation of the world, supposed to have taken place 5,687 years ago. It is a day set apart for introspection and self-examination.



ROBERT FORKE, M.P.

Of Pipestone, Manitoba, leader of the Progressive party.

RESUME HARVESTING ON THE PRAIRIES

Improved Weather Conditions Relieve Situation—Frost Damage Slight

Winnipeg.—Improved weather conditions in Western Canada will permit fairly general resumption of harvesting operations by the early part of next week, according to reports received here. Slight frosts during the past two nights have not caused any appreciable damage to the crops.

Drying winds and moderate temperatures are general in all three Prairie Provinces and threshing is proceeding at full speed in many sections of Saskatchewan. Operations are expected to be resumed in Manitoba by Monday and on Wednesday in Alberta, providing present favorable conditions continue.

The shortage of harvest help has been somewhat relieved by contingents of men from the United States. Small groups of workers from Eastern Canada have also passed through Winnipeg westward during the past week. The local employment office, however, has not been able to supply the growing demand for harvest hands.

England Will Replace Thousands of Old Milestones

England's "lying milestones," some of them nearly as old as England's green-clad, rolling hills, are to be replaced by new mileposts which will tell the truth.

Thousands of the stones, which for centuries were absolutely accurate, are altogether out of date now owing to modern road improvements, which have taken short cuts here and there, or changed some of the roads built by the Romans, who made their thoroughfares as the crow flies, straight cross country, and dared anyone to even attempt to interfere.

The Ministry of Transport has decided upon a new standard design for the new posts and has started in re-measuring the roadways of the country.

New Paris Umbrellas in Picturesque Colors

Umbrellas are shedding their sombre black in Paris and are becoming quite picturesque in soft blues, delicate pinks, light water-green and "dawn" yellow, colors that were the rage in the "Citizen King's" days.

Umbrellas are covered with taffeta and edged with a broad ribbon striped in the gayest of colors. Their handles may be a crutch of light yellow or a dog's head with a collar set with colored carbuncles, or a pert little monkey with a chain. The Louis Philippe umbrella has become a formidable rival to the "Tom Thumb" umbrella, which has become smaller than ever.

Archaeologist Hunts Lost River in England

The supposed existence of a "lost" river five miles long, running fifty feet below the surface in Staffordshire Valley, England, is being investigated by George H. Wilson, a prominent archaeologist, who is exploring subterranean passageways in the district.

He has found a waterfall forty feet underground and a lake containing peculiar species of black fish. The object of the explorations is to find an underground stream of Stafford water to supply isolated farms.

THE WEEK'S MARKETS

TORONTO.		12½ to 13c; 2½-lb. tins, 14½ to 15c.	
Man. wheat—No. 1 North, \$1.50;	No. 2 North, \$1.45; No. 3 North, \$1.37.	Smoked meats—Hams, med., 33 to 34c; cooked hams, 48 to 50c; smoked rolls, 28 to 30c; breakfast bacon, 35 to 40c; backs, boneless, 41 to 46c.	
Man. oats—No. 2 CW, nominal; No. 3, not quoted; No. 1 feed, 58c; No. 2 feed, 48c; Western grain quotations in c.i.f. ports.		Cured meats—Long clear bacon, 70 to 75 lbs., \$23; 70 to 90 lbs., \$21.50; 20½ lbs. and up, \$22.50; light weight rolls in barrels, \$42.50; heavy weight rolls, \$39.50 per bbl.	
Am. corn, track, Toronto—No. 2 yellow, 87c; No. 3 yellow, 86c.		Lard—Pure tins, 16 to 17c; tubs, 17½ to 18c; pigs, 18 to 18½c; prints, 19 to 19½c; shortening, tins, 14 to 15c; tubs, 15 to 15½c; pigs, 16 to 16½c; blocks, 17 to 17½c.	
Millfeed—Del. Montreal freights, bags included: Bran, per ton, \$29.25; shorts, per ton, \$1.25; middlings, \$28.25; good feed flour, per bag, \$2.30.		Heavy steers, choice, \$7.50 to \$8.50; do, good, \$7 to \$7.50; butcher steers, choice, \$7 to \$7.25; do, com., \$5.50 to \$6.50; fair to good, \$4 to \$4.75; butcher buls., good, \$4.50 to \$5.50; hogs, \$3.50 to \$4; canners and cutters, \$2.50 to \$3; good milk cows, \$70 to \$100; springers, choice, \$30 to \$115; med. cows, \$45 to \$60; feeders, good, \$6 to \$6.50; do, fair, \$5 to \$6; calves, choice, \$12.50 to \$13; do, good, \$9 to \$11; do, med., \$7 to \$9; grassers, \$5 to \$6; good lambs, \$14 to \$14.50; do, bucks, \$10.50 to \$11; good light sheep, \$7 to \$8; heavy sheep and bucks, \$4 to \$5.50; hogs, thick cuts, fed and watered, \$12.50; do, fresh, \$11.50; do, country points, \$11.00; do, off cars \$12.50; select premium, \$13.	
Ont. oats—42 to 44c f.o.b. shipping points.		Butter—Finest creamery prints, 36 to 37c; No. 1 creamery, 35 to 36c; No. 2, 34 to 35c. Dairy prints, 28½ to 30c.	
Butter—Fresh extras, in casks, 44 to 45c; fresh firsts, 38 to 39c; fresh seconds, 31 to 32c.		Eggs—Fresh extras, in casks, 44 to 45c; fresh firsts, 38 to 39c; fresh seconds, 31 to 32c.	
Poultry, dressed—Chicken, spring, squabs, 1 to 1½ lbs., 35c; do, spring, over 4 lbs., 42c; do, 3 to 4 lbs., 40c; do, 2½ to 3½ lbs., 38c; do, 2 to 2½ lbs., 35c; hens, over 5 lbs., 26c; do, 4 to 5 lbs., 25c; do, 3 to 4 lbs., 24c; roosters, 22c; ducklings, 5 lbs. and up, 30c.		Beans—Can. hand-picked, \$2.60 per bushel; primes, \$2.40 per bushel.	
Maple produce—Syrup, per imp. gal., \$2.25 to \$2.30; per 5-gal., \$2.15 to \$2.25 per gal.; maple sugar, lb., 25 to 26c.		Honey—50-lb. tins, 11½ to 12c per lb.; 10-lb. tins, 12 to 12½c; 5-lb. tins, 12.75.	