

# FOUR HUNDRED PERSONS DROWNED

## WILKINS' SUBMARINE NOW UNDER TOW TO QUEENSTOWN

### Rain Came to All Parts of Prairies Last Week Though More Would Have Been Welcome

WINNIPEG, June 15.—Rains varying from heavy downpours to scattered showers were received during the past week in practically all of the crop growing areas of Western Canada. Where rain was heavy the crop situation has been relieved and already fields are showing rapid revival but, where only showers prevailed, the drought situation is still precarious. In drought areas, some fields are in shot blade with plants from four to six inches high and pastures are negligible so that livestock have been let loose in grain fields to counteract the feed situation. Cutworms are reported from the international boundary to as far north as cultivation extends but their ravages are not general although, in some localities, a few grain fields have been destroyed, according to the weekly crop report of the department of agriculture, Canadian National Railways.

The Red River Valley of Manitoba received a good drenching, rain having fallen steadily from seven to 14 hours, but in the southwestern and northern parts of the province, precipitation was light and grains only received temporary relief. In

Southern Manitoba many fields received a setback by frost, but, with an early rain, sunshiny days and cool nights, frost damage will be negligible. Cutworms are active south of Oakville and at other points in Manitoba and some control measures have been necessary. Except at a few favored points, there will be a hay shortage this fall and, to counteract this, some farmers have materially increased their green feed acreage.

Along the Lampman, Bienfait, Gravelbourg, Riverhurst, Bengough subdivisions weather has been cool and cloudy with scattered showers. Feed and water for livestock is getting scarce and some farmers have resorted to shipping their animals north to the park belt where feed is plentiful. On light land cutworms are active and immediate rain would lessen their appetites and would also prohibit soil drifting which still persists.

#### Precipitation Spotty

Along the Rosetown, Crak, Carlton, Conquest subdivisions, precipitation was spotty and grain did not receive any material benefit. Rain is needed to promote quick growth and to offset cutworm damage. A few fields of oats are in shot blade with plants less than six inches high.

Along the Touchwood, Yorkton, Tonkin, Asquith, Dodsland subdivisions, local showers helped grain to some extent but moisture was not sufficient to insure good growth. Many fields, which were blown out, have not been reseeded as land is too dry for germination. The drought is also curtailing the amount of new breaking which will be done this year. Growth of all grain is slow having been retarded by dry weather along the subdivisions constituting the Prince Albert division as light rains recently received were not general and their effect is only sufficient for immediate needs. Small damage from cutworms is reported from all districts making reseeding necessary at some points. A steady downpour would still insure an average crop.

Drought conditions were relieved in south central sections of Alberta by good rains which fell along the Drumheller, Oyen, Stettler, Three Hills subdivisions. Early sown grain is in shot blade, although only six inches high, but the recent rains should push the heads in later sown fields considerably higher.

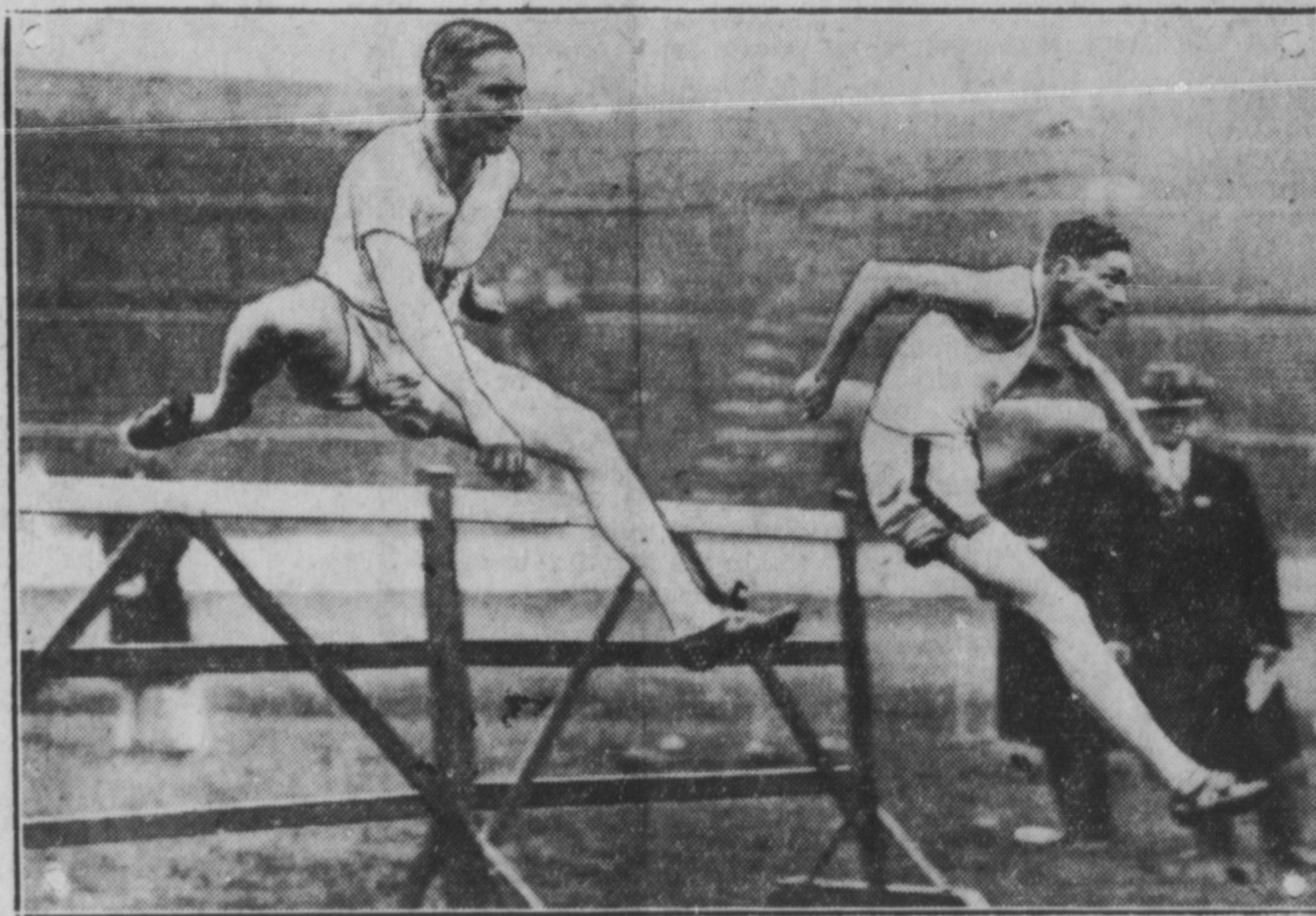
Many farmers are now seeding oats intending them to supplement fall pastures and foders. In Central Alberta scattered showers have helped considerably but more rain is a necessity if crops are to show natural progress. Hay crops are extremely light and pastures are presenting a problem.

#### Good in Peace River

The Peace River district reports conditions good, having received general rains during the week. Crops are doing nicely and although wireworm activity is reported from Dawson Creek, damage is small.

Generous receipts still prevail on western stockyards with prices inclined to show a weaker undertone. Light handy weight butchers are, however, still in demand. Dry pastures have brought forward greater offerings of stockers and feeders, which are selling at lower prices. Hogs remain steady.

### Preparing For 1932 Olympic Games



Lord "Davey" Burghley, with an eye on 1932 Olympic games at Los Angeles, has re-entered active competition in an effort to win place among British entrants. He is shown (left) as he won his heat in 120-yard high hurdle event at Geneva sports, Stamford Bridge.

### One of Diesel Engines On Nautilus Stalls as Vessel Crosses Atlantic

United States Warship Wyoming Takes Pole-Bound Craft In Tow—Will Deliver It to Irish Port, It Is Believed

WASHINGTON, D.C., June 15.—The United States battleship Wyoming reported to the Navy Department today that it had taken Sir Hubert Wilkins' submarine Nautilus, in which an under-ice voyage to the North Pole was planned, under tow at 5:30 this morning, Eastern Standard Time, and was proceeding at five knots, probably for Queenstown, Ireland. One of the submarine's diesel engines had stalled.

### EMBLEM IS TOTAL LOSS GOV'T WINS HOUSE VOTE

Only One Man Was Left on Board Halibut Boat When Fire Occurred Last Friday

Capt. Martin Johansen and four members of the crew of the local halibut boat Emblem I, which caught fire last Friday morning in the vicinity of Naden Harbor and sank a total loss, were brought to the city last night aboard a trolling boat. The fire started from some undetermined cause after the captain and three men had left in a small boat with a view to catching a devil-fish for bait purposes. Only one man, the engineer, was left on board and he jumped into the water after the boat took fire. When the four men returned, the boat's destruction was nigh complete. The Canadian Fish & Cold Storage Co.'s packer Chief Seegay happened along and picked the captain and crew up. They lost everything they had on board.

But Ramsay MacDonald Administration Also Had Reverse in House Today

LONDON, June 15.—The MacDonald government was defeated by 24 votes on a minor amendment to the finance bill today but a few minutes later got a majority of 14 on a motion to end the debate.

### FISHERMAN PASSES ON

Andrew Snellman, Secretary of Organization at Port Essington Victim of Pneumonia

The death took place yesterday morning at the hospital at Port Essington of Andrew Snellman, secretary of the gillnet branch of the Northern B. C. Salmon Fishermen's Association.

Mr. Snellman was about fifty years of age. A native of Finland, he had been on the river for a number of years and was well known among the fishing fraternity. He took a prominent part in fishermen's meetings and had at heart at all times the well being of the fishermen. Only as late as last Monday he attended a meeting. He was a victim of pneumonia.

A widow and three children are left to mourn Mr. Snellman's death. Funeral arrangements are in the hands of the Northern B. C. Salmon Fishermen's Association, the funeral taking place tomorrow afternoon.

### Halibut Sales

#### American

Liberty, 38,000, 6.3c and 3c, holding, going to Ketchikan.  
Marmot, 32,000, 6.4c and 3c, holding, going to Ketchikan.  
Rapt III, 7,000, Booth, 8.3c and 5c.  
Bonanza, 8,500, Booth, 8.5c and 5c.  
Hi Gill, 9,500, Booth, 8.2c and 5c.  
Leisure, 8,000, Royal, 8.5c and 5c.  
Betty, 9,500, Atlin, 8.5c and 5c.  
Visitor, 5,000, Royal, 8.6c and 5c.

#### Canadian

Gony, 9,500, Atlin, 6.1c and 3c.  
Gulvik, 7,000, Royal, 6.6c and 3c.  
Atlin, 8,000, Storage, 6c and d3c.  
Alken, 8,000, Storage, 6.3c and 3c.  
Tramp, 13,000, Atlin, 6.3c and 3c.  
Embla, 16,000, Storage, 6.2c and 3c.  
R. W., 13,000, Storage, 6.7c and 3c.  
Gunda, 1,400, Storage, 6c and 3c.  
Sea Maid, 11,000, Booth, 6.3c and 3c.

### Catastrophe Occurred Sunday Aboard French Picnic Boat; Hurricane Turned Craft Over

Flimsy 100-Foot Steamer St. Philibert Took Many Persons to Watery Grave—Stampede to One Side Caused Capsize

ST. NAZAIRE, France, June 15.—Some 442 men, women and children were drowned yesterday when a hurricane capsized the excursion steamer St. Philibert. Only eight persons were rescued. Eight bodies have so far been recovered. The St. Philibert, a flimsy 100-foot river steamer, left Nantes yesterday with the picnicers on an outing run by a labor organization. The catastrophe occurred on the return trip when the storm broke and the passengers stampeded to the leeward side.

### Vancouver Stocks

(Courtesy S. D. Johnston, Co.)

Big Missouri, 23, 25;  
Duthie Mines, 4, 5½;  
George Copper, 45, nil.  
Golconda, nil, 18.  
Grandview, 3, 4.  
Independence, nil, 1.  
Indian Mines, 1, 1½.  
Lucky Jim, 2, 3.  
National Silver, 2½, 2¼.  
Noble Five, 4, 5.  
Oregon Copper, 4½, nil.  
Premier, 65, 70.  
Porter-Idaho, 4, 5.  
Reeves Macdonald, 20, 25.  
Rufus-Argentina, 2, 3.  
Topley Richfield, 1, 1½.  
Woodbine, nil, ¾.

#### OILS

Hargal, 6, nil.  
A. P. Con., 15, nil.  
Fabyan Pete, 1¾, 2.  
Home, 55, nil.  
Royalite, 7.00, 8.00.  
Merland, 8½, 9.  
Mercury, 13¼, 13½.  
United 9¼, nil.

#### Eastern Stocks

C. P. R., 26.00, 27.00.

### Brother of Anyox Man Passes Away

D. J. McLachlan of Vancouver Had Been Resident of Province For Forty Years

The death occurred recently in Vancouver of Dugald James McLachlan, a resident of British Columbia for forty years, and brother of Charles McLachlan of Anyox. Deceased, who was in the hardware business, resided at various times at Vancouver, New Westminster and Nelson. He was active in church work. Deceased is survived by his widow, one son, five brothers and two sisters.

### REDUCTION PLANT FIRE

Flames Destroy Factory at Roberts Point, Mile North of Sydney

VICTORIA, June 15.—Fire of unknown origin on Saturday night destroyed the reduction plant of the Food Products Ltd. at Roberts Point, a mile north of Sydney, with a loss of \$40,000. About half the loss is covered by insurance. The plant had been closed for two years.

### Couple Married In Winnipeg to Make Home Here

The marriage of Beatrice Evelyn, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph White, to John C. Stephenson son of Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Stephenson, was solemnized quietly in the vestry of St. Giles Church, at 7:30 o'clock, Thursday evening. Rev. H. M. Pearson officiated, and Mr. and Mrs. Sydney Scott attended the bride and bridegroom. Following the ceremony an informal reception was held at the home of the bride's parents, when the immediate family and friends had an opportunity of congratulating Mr. and Mrs. John Stephenson, who later left for Prince Rupert, where they will make their home.—Winnipeg Free Press.

### Fish Packer In Port From North Island

The fish packer Edenshaw arrived today from North Island with 40,000 pounds of salmon of which 36,000 were reds purchased on the ground at 7c and 5c according to grade. Henry Edenshaw reported that fish were running well in those waters.

### FUNERAL IS HELD

Late Hugh Mackay Laid to Rest With Canadian Legion Service and Masons in Attendance

Under the auspices of the local branch of the Canadian Legion and with members of the Masonic order, of which deceased had been a member, the funeral of the late Hugh Mackay took place yesterday afternoon from Haynor's Undertaking Chapel at Fairview Cemetery. Rev. Alfred Wilson, pastor of First United Church, officiated and Miss M. A. Way presided at the organ. There was quite a large attendance at the obsequies.

After the service in the chapel, interment was made in Fairview Cemetery. Bugler William Rance sounded "The Last Post" as the casket was lowered in the soldier's plot. Pallbearers were A. J. Matheson, William Wilson, Hugh Killin, L. Parks, A. King and Duncan Borland.

The late Mr. Mackay, who for years was in the service of the B. and N. department of the Canadian National Railways, served overseas as a lieutenant with the Forty-Ninth Battalion.

Among the floral tributes were those from Tye Lodge No. 66, A. F. & A. M. and the Canadian Legion.

### IS KILLED UNDER CAR

Elwood Lebeau, Vancouver Youth, Lost His Life on Lulu Island Yesterday

VANCOUVER, June 15.—Elwood Lebeau, aged 18, was instantly killed and four others were injured when an automobile in which they were riding overturned on a road on Lulu Island yesterday.

### THE WEATHER

Dead Tree Point—Clear, calm; barometer, 29.98; temperature, 60; sea smooth.

Triple Island—Fog, westerly breeze, sea smooth.

Langara—Thick fog, light south wind, sea calm.