

WESTERN CANADA'S PROSPECTS FOR 1914

Excellent Spring for Work and Wheat Seeding About Finished.

The writer has just returned from an extensive trip through the Provinces of Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta. In Western Canada, the crop conditions are the very best, and no one locality seems to have an advantage over another in this respect.

The uniformity in growth is remarkable, and in all parts of the three provinces spring wheat at the time of writing, May 10th, is well above the ground from two to three inches.

Considerable fall plowing was done last year, and this, with the summer fallow, is already seeded, so that practically wheat seeding is over by this date.

Everywhere the farmers are busy and the whole country presents one great scene of activity—three-horse, four-horse and five-horse teams are busy preparing land for barley, oats and flax.

On some of the larger farms batteries of steam and gasoline outfits are at work, but in a great many districts where these have been operated in the past they are being displaced by horses, owing no doubt partially to the difficulty of securing experienced men to operate them.

Any way, there is being put into agriculture in Western Canada, greater effort with more promise than for some years past. The soil is in the best possible condition; moisture has been sufficient, there have been no winds to dry out the soil, and if the farmers have had to lay up for a day or so now and again, it was merely that the ground might have the advantage of the rain and an occasional snow, which promise so much for the growing crop.

With some warm weather the grain will come along in a manner that will equal the best years Western Canada has ever had.

It must not be thought from this that the farmers are full bent on securing a grain crop alone. In nearly every district there is more and more the indication and inclination to go into mixed farming.

DID REALLY MEAN IT ONCE

Newspaper Man's Flowery Compliments Not Altogether a Complete Case of Bunk.

William D. Hassett, one of the sharps on diplomacy and international affairs in Washington, covers the state department for a big news association. One day another reporter covering the same run rushed up to him with this request:

"Bill, fix me up a nice little story about this affair for my paper. You know more about this than anybody."

Hassett, not being particularly busy at that time, complied with the request.

Half an hour later the same man came back and requested:

"Bill, please fix me up another little story. You know you're the best informed man in regard to this particular subject."

Bill again wrote the story. The other man came back the third time.

"Look here," said Bill dryly, "I'll write this third story for you, but I hope you don't think it's because I'm falling for this bunk of yours about how much I know."

"Well," said the other, rubbing his chin, "it was on the level the first time."—Popular Magazine.

Beginning Sunday School. "And what do you know about Moses?"

"Please, teacher, it's my first Sunday here and I don't know anybody."—Punch.

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GOOD STORY ON KLEM

HOW "HIS UMPS" LANDED ROY THOMAS OF QUAKERS.

Credit for Term "Catfish" Given to Al Bridwell, Shortstop on St. Louis Federal—Expression Brought Tin Can.

Bill Klem, umpire in the National league, is a prolific source when it comes to stories and rapidly is taking the place of Tim Hurst—formerly of the American league—in this specific respect.

This is told on Klem by "Red" Dooin, the scrappy manager of the leading Phillies.

"Klem was umpiring a series for us at Philadelphia and our teams were having considerable trouble with his decisions. He seemed to have an off day or perhaps we had. But anyhow, nothing went right. It got so Bill began canning men from the game right and left. We didn't dare to even open our faces or out we'd go.

"Roy Thomas was playing center field for us then. As most everybody knows, Roy was one of the most peaceable players who ever wore a uniform. He never caused any trouble for an umpire.

"On this particular day Thomas vowed to himself he wouldn't even look at Klem. He was bound to stay in that game no matter what happened. Perhaps Klem knew this.

"Anyway Thomas was called out on strikes and we all thought the third one was rather high and wide. But Thomas didn't say a word. He turned abruptly from the plate and started back for the bench with Klem after him. Evidently Bill was looking for Roy to start something, but Thomas kept his face straight ahead.

"They walked this way about 30 feet. Still Roy kept his peace. Finally



Umpire Bill Klem.

ally Klem drew closer and whispered, so Roy could hear:

"If I had a million dollars I bet I could lick you, Thomas."

"Roy paused and turned half around.

"If you had five million dollars you couldn't begin to pay your debts."

"Up went Klem's arm. 'Get out of the game,' he yelled. This was just what he wanted. So Roy went.

There's another player who is mild by nature on the St. Louis Reds. His name is Al Bridwell and he's some shortstop, too. In all his years of big league ball playing he has been fired from the game exactly three times. Klem has had the honor of forcing every dismissal.

It seems they were both in the same minor league years ago, and graduated at the same time to the National—one as umpire and the other as shortstop. In this minor league the players had started calling Klem "catfish" whenever they were especially peeved. Naturally the term didn't suit Klem. It jarred his nature. Every time the expression was used a dismissal from the pastime would follow.

"This became known in the National league when Klem arrived. Evidently he believes Bridwell tipped it off. Only three times in three years has Bridwell raised even the slightest censure when Klem is around. These three times brought him the 'in can.

Daly Gives Advice. Tom Daly, once a leading National league catcher, who is coaching the Yankees' pitchers, says the secret of good box work is putting the ball over or near the corners of the plate as often as possible. Daly goes back into baseball history to prove that the greatest pitchers were those who mastered control and always kept the batter in the hole. He says that a curver who gets two strikes on a batter with as many pitched balls, holds the whip hand, whereas the boxman who finds himself in a fix with "three and two" usually comes to grief when he puts the "x" next one over. "Get a grip on the man at the plate right off the reel," says the veteran coach, "and he'll do the worrying, not you."

Attention of Recruits. "If young players who sit on the bench would pay more attention to what is going on in the field they would soon develop into regulars," said Pitcher Jack Warhop of the New Yorks, the other day. "A coil can learn more inside stuff on the bench than when actively engaged on the diamond. Some of these young fellows are inclined to be thoughtless, and that is one of the reasons why they fail."

McGraw's Influence. Because Branch Rickey said there should be no poker playing by his players, the scribes set up a loud guff about Sunday school methods. Then Frank Chance and John McGraw laid down similar rules and the same scribes immediately saw the wisdom of it.

Wallace Shows Speed. Bobby Wallace, despite his years, is said to be showing more speed and life at shortstop with the Browns than any of the younger members of the team, and is counted upon as likely to be the regular shortstop despite his years. Wallace was out most of last season, because of a bad arm.

SAM CRAWFORD DISLIKES ROWDY TACTICS



Sam Crawford, Hard-Hitting Tiger.

Read for the first time the truth about why Sam Crawford, the slugging outfield veteran of the Detroit Tigers, refused to jump to the Feds when they tackled him upon the arrival of the world touring teams in New York.

When the big liner docked, several Fed leaders were waiting at the gang-plank to buttonhole the unsigned big leaguers as they came off the ship.

A Fed manager singled out Crawford in the throng and set out to reach his ear. Between him and Crawford several women were standing.

The Fed magnate did not wait for a chance to walk around them, nor did he ask them to let him walk through to see Crawford. No, as soon as he spied Crawford, he plunged into the midst of the little group of women, football fashion, and with a sort of breast-stroke swimming movement of his arms, swept them aside and sidled up to Crawford to whisper something

in his ear. But Crawford had seen the act out of the corner of his eye. "Don't you talk to me, you rowdy bum!" he exclaimed as he shoved his big right hand in the Fed's mid-section and jammed him with a bang up against the iron railing. Only the fact that so many people were present, including Crawford's wife, prevented him from showing the objectionable individual in more forcible manner what he thought of a man that would use rough and ready tactics of that sort.

The Fed later managed to say a few words to Crawford about his Federal league proposition, and other Federal leaguers also spoke to him. But the die was cast. Whatever Crawford might have done, otherwise, his mind was made up that he didn't want any Federal league business just as soon as he saw the Federal's ungalantry exhibited in such a striking manner.

COACHING RULE TOO DRASTIC Managers Birmingham and Callahan Oppose Order Restricting Coaches at Third Base.

The new rule prohibiting coaches from touching a runner rounding third will be repealed before another season, if the rules committee will listen to Manager Birmingham.

The Nap nabob is opposed to the new rule as it now stands. He has the support of Manager Jimmy Callahan of the White Sox. Both declare the rule is too drastic, and predict it will reduce the art of coaching to a mere formality.

"There is sound excuse for a rule which bars tackling runners and the

supremacy court of New Jersey holds in Bolton vs. Bolton that when a wife goes into bankruptcy the trustee in bankruptcy is entitled to take possession of arrears of alimony due her for the benefit of the creditors. The court said:

"When it is considered that during the period of non-payment the wife has in all probability been contracting debts for her support on the faith of recovering these payments, and that alimony is awarded for the express purpose of her support by paying in cash as she goes along, and when it is considered further that by her discharge in bankruptcy these debts are wiped out, it seems manifestly unjust that the creditors should have no recourse to the very fund that the divorce court provided to pay them."

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Overexertion. "You frown like a pessimist." "Well," replied the patient man; "that's what I get for worrying myself half to death trying to think of something to be optimistic about."

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Many a friendship has been cut short by a long tongue.

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Boost for Checks. George Stallings, manager of the Boston Braves, is authority for the statement that Jimmy Sheppard, pilot of the Cleveland association, is managing one of the strongest minor league teams that he (Stallings) has ever seen. The leader of the Braves isn't talking through his hat, either, for the Sixth City Seconds played four games with the Braves and won three of them.

High Spots to Lamp For the fanatic who sits in the lookout there are a certain number of high spots to lamp in the early stages of the conflict which will have an important bearing upon the two races. For example:

What effect 40 years and 18 campaigns will have upon Hans Wagner? What effect 39 years and 18 campaigns will have upon Napoleon Lajoie? What form Joe Wood will assume after a long lay-off season and a complete separation from his appendix? What assistance Ed Walsh will be able to furnish Russell, Cicotte and Scott? What machine morale Hank O'Day will be able to instill into the Cubs? How Griff's new pitchers will be able to help out Johnson and Boehling? Whether Koney, Mowrey and Harmon will more than supplant Robinson, Wilson, Butler and Miller? How well McGraw has been able to plug that gap at third with both Shafer and Herzog missing?

THIRD LEAGUE NOT NEEDED Umpire Billy Evans Doubts if There is Demand at Present Time for Another Organization.

In discussing the Federal league, American League Umpire Billy Evans said the other day: "The Federal league seems to have plenty of money. That is a good thing, for before the season is over they are liable to need a lot of it. Launching a major league is a big proposition. It can't be done on a shoestring. From report it seems the 'Feds' have no intention of doing business on that basis. Seriously, I doubt if there is a demand at the present time for a third major league. There is certainly a dearth of big league material. If all players could be had for the mere spending of money, the New York Americans would have a pennant-winning team. No club owner is willing to make a bigger gamble for his club than Frank Farrell. Yet for years he has labored in vain. The Federal league has been a good thing for baseball players. It has boosted the salary of practically every player in the game. It has enabled a lot of players who have had grievances to have them cleared up. The Feds have made money for the players and it now remains to be seen whether the players can make money for the magnates. If the Feds are successful, it is certain to lower the standard of baseball in the majors for a time, since many of the stars in the new organization must of necessity be drawn from the majors."

Couldn't Blame to Pump.

A lumberman having awakened on a Sunday morning in a "dry town," after a big spree of the night before, searched his pockets in vain. Being very thirsty, he remembered stumbling over a pump in the alley back of the hotel.

He hastened to the pump and began pumping, but without results, as the pump had not been primed. He slowly backed away and, eying the pump, said: "Well, I don't blame you for not working, anyhow. I wouldn't patronize you when I had money."

Appropriate. Mrs. Winks—When is Miss Hard-cash to marry the count? Mrs. Binks—On Monday.

Mrs. Winks—Oh, of course. I might have known. Monday is bargain day.

Literally. "I tell you, this is a black outlook." "What is?" "About this coal business."

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Advertisement for Western Canada Settlers. 400,000 Settlers a Year. Immigration figures show that the population of Canada increased during 1913, by the addition of 400,000 new settlers from the United States and Europe. Most of these have gone on farms in provinces of Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta. Lord William Percy, an English Nobleman, says: "The possibilities and opportunities offered by the Canadian West are so infinitely greater than those which exist in England, that it seems absurd to think that people should be impeded from coming to the country where they can most easily and certainly improve their position." New districts are being opened up, which will make accessible a great number of homesteads in districts especially adapted to mixed farming and grain raising. For illustrated literature and reduced railway rates, apply to Supt. of Immigration, Ottawa, Canada, or to W. V. BENNETT, 300 Building, Omaha, Neb., or to any of our Agents. Canadian Government Agent. WESTERN CANADA FREE.

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