

petition of drought conditions such experienced in the 1930's or 1883-98 periods will show wastage of snowmelt to have been folly.

Precipitation data for Melfort (1910-1971) shows 35 of these years with less than 16 inches and only 27 years above this amount. Using 16 inches as a dividing point for Prince Albert (1885-1949), there were 36 years below and 27 years above. One might advance the argument that the odds favor dry years 4 to 3.

In conclusion, the farmer and conservationist must recognize their common problem is the intelligent storage of water for survival during the inevitable and unpredictable dry years.

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LOOKING AT SASKATCHEWAN'S FUTURE

The Saskatoon Environmental Society is arranging a meeting of people from all over the province interested in sketching out possible futures for Saskatchewan, determining the environmental, social and economic implications of these alternative futures, and beginning to plan strategies and activities which will help to bring about the sorts of environmental, social and economic futures they desire.

The meeting will be held at Camp Rayner, Lake Diefenbaker, on November 3 and 4, 1973. Persons interested in attending should contact T. H. J. Gilmour, 1614 Ruth Street East, Saskatoon S7J 0L8.