



92 PER CENT

of the tires used here are not properly inflated. Probably yours are included. We will gladly take care of them for you if you will let us, without cost to you.

WE SELL GOODYEAR TIRES. WE GIVE GOODYEAR SERVICE.

W. H. BOHNENKAMP COMPANY

Factors In The Culture of Tomatoes

In view of the difficulty of getting canned goods especially tomatoes at the precious prices and also in view of the shortage of tin cans which is going to raise the price of canned tomatoes still further this fall, it is important that the home gardener grow for himself as many tomatoes as possible and put them up for the next winter's supply. Tomatoes are not hard to can and every effort should be made, where conditions are favorable for their growth, to produce as many ripe fruits as possible before frosts.

There are a number of factors that enter into the production of early ripe tomatoes. In the first place the plants that are set in the garden must be well grown, vigorous, properly hardened, of the right size, and of the best early variety. Following these factors, there must also be given considerable care to see that the plants move along rapidly after being set out and that they are not hampered by insect attacks and if necessary that they are protected from unusually cold nights in May or June.

If the tomato plants have been

grown in individual pots or bands they are usually more stocky and vigorous. Or they can be well grown in boxes if they do not stand too close to each other.

Tomato plants are very liable to lose their first blossoms after they are out in the field. This will result in a delaying of the first ripe fruit. The dropping of the blossoms is caused by the sterility of the flower and the non-pollination of the female portion of the flower, namely the pistil. A number of people imagine that it is some sort of a disease that attacks the blossoms when they see them dropping off in the early summer. Such, however, is not the case. I am going to enlarge later on in another article upon the methods that can be used to stop a large portion of these early blossoms from falling off.

It is best to keep the tomato plants protected by glass at this time of the year until the weather has warmed and appears to be settled. Then the plants will not receive a setback after they have been field set.

Some very cheaply constructed forcing-hills or plant boxes can be made to cover the tomato plants at night by taking a dry good box or one that is about 10 by 12 inches and about 12 inches high which is set over the plants in the garden and the glass is laid over the top of the protector. In this fashion the plant can be well protected from the cold night temperatures.

Following the setting of the plants in the garden it is not at all improbable that they be attacked by cutworms, or flea-beetles, or possibly both. The worms will bite off the plants right at the surface of the ground while the flea-beetle will penetrate the leaves with small holes the size of small shot. Both of these insects can be dealt with quite efficiently with the proper control measures which I shall be taking up in another article very soon.

A large well grown tomato plant of

the right variety will be the first consideration, after which the other factors mentioned above. The soil should be stirred deeply and must be well broken up before the plants are set about May 15-20.—A. G. Bouquet, head of vegetable gardening, O. A. C.

CITY NEWS IN BRIEF

Collection of News Paragraphs and Advertisements.

Puts in Garden.
L. B. Moe, of 1707 Second street, is putting his lawn into garden.

We pay better prices for used furniture. Phone B 1241. Cor. Fir and Jefferson. E. J. Donohue. 12-20-tf

La Grande's Quota 29 Men.
The Second Congressional District will furnish 1141 men of the first 500,000 men required for the army. La Grande's quota will be about 29 men.

Good light makes pleasant reading in the evenings, after the day's work is done. A good reading lamp is the first thought. The 75 watt Nitrogen Filament lamp is one of the best made for this purpose. Get one at Silverthorn's Family Drug store. Westinghouse Mazda lamps in all sizes and kinds.—Adv. 5-3-tf.

Today you will find all kinds of fancy soda fountain drinks including orange sherbet at Silverthorn's.—Adv. 5-5-tf.

New Eastman and Ansco kodaks and cameras and a complete line of both Eastman and Ansco supplies at your service at Silverthorn's Family Drug store.—Adv. 5-3-tf.

Ready on Call.
I would like you to notify all your officers to be ready upon call either

from the chief of police or myself to render any aid that the chief of police may desire. Each officer and cadet should have a first aid outfit ready for instant use. They should be prepared to answer the call day or night at a moment's notice and to remain on duty as long as circumstances require.

Call on Bert Hughes for those high water flies. He has them.—Adv. 5-2-4t.

My phone is Black 2041.—E. G. Lovely.—Adv. 5-2-5tp

Misses Jones and Rabone.
Ladies' Ready to Wear. We are now showing all the new goods in Suits, Coats, Skirts and Waists. We make suits, coats and skirts to order. Remodeling done. 3-12tf

Oregon fish will help solve the world's food problem.

Call on Bert Hughes for those high water flies. He has them.—Adv. 5-2-4t.

Water Glass.
When you think of water glass, think of the La Grande Pharmacy.—25c pint; 40c quart.—Adv. 5-5-tf.

Remodeling and trimming. Latest style ladies' and children's hats, made to order. Prices reasonable.—Miss Vivian Hansen, phone Red 3692.—Adv. 5-2-1w.

Cameras, films and all camera equipment at Silverthorn's.—Adv. 4-23-tf

Try Silverthorn's Almond Cream for chapped hands and faces. Cold creams and bleaches all in 25 cent sizes. The best formulas that can be had.—Adv. 5-3-tf.

We pay best prices for second hand furniture. DYAL'S FURNITURE CO., 404 Fir St., Phone Black 3351.—Adv. 12-4-tf.

Pure Milk and Cream company's telephone number is Black 2001.—Adv. 4-13-tf.

The Germans have lost 1,300,000 dead in the war.

Call on Bert Hughes for those high water flies. He has them.—Adv. 5-2-4t.

Aster Plants.
Aster plants now ready at green-Grande Seed & Floral Co.—Adv. 5-3-3t.

Eats and drinks, ice creams and sherbets, fancy mixed drinks, and dishes at the Silverthorn fountain.—Adv. 5-3-tf.

Aster plants now ready at green-houses. Plant them now while it is cool.—La Grande Seed & Floral Co.—Adv. 5-3-3t.

We pay highest prices for hide and sheep pelts. Peoples' Meat Market, 419 1-2 Adams Ave.—Adv. 12-5-tf.

If you get your hat wet bring it to Miss Hansen for remodeling, phone Red 3692.—Adv. 5-2-1wk

6 1-2 Per Cent Money.
\$30,000 for long term at 6 1-2 per cent interest for loans on Grande Ronde Valley farms. See W. B. Sarrent at La Grande Investment Company at once. 2-2-tf

Singer Sewing Machine.
New and second-hand machines sold on easy terms. No interest. Repair work a specialty on all machines.—Chas. M. Shapland, agent, New Foley Bldg. Phone Black 1051.—Adv. 1-17tf

Girls' patriotic hats the newest thing for sport wear, made to order by Miss Vivian Hansen, Red 3692.—Adv. 5-2-1wk.

FOR RENT SIGNS—For sale at the Observer office.

REPORT OF CONDITION OF THE

La Grande National Bank

At La Grande in the State of Oregon, at the Close of Business May 1, 1917

RESOURCES		
Loans and discounts		\$ 813,821.06
U. S. bonds deposited to secure circulation (par value)	72,000.00	
U. S. bonds pledged to secure U. S. deposits (par value)	10,000.00	
U. S. bonds pledged to secure postal savings deposits (par value)	5,000.00	
U. S. bonds owned and unpledged	25,000.00	112,000.00
Securities other than U. S. bonds (not including stocks) owned unpledged		33,050.19
Stock of Federal Reserve Bank (50 per cent of subscription)		7,200.00
Value of banking house	49,464.30	
Equity in banking house		49,464.30
Furniture and fixtures		7,764.30
Real estate owned other than banking house		2,066.00
Net amount due from approved reserve agents in New York, Chicago, and St. Louis	56,636.45	
Net amount due from approved reserve agents in other reserve cities	169,446.32	226,082.77
Net amount due from banks and bankers (other than included in 12 or 20)		64,687.02
Other checks on banks in the same city or town as reporting bank		7,465.75
Outside checks and other cash items	1,926.94	
Fraction currency, nickels, and cents	495.60	2,422.54
Notes of other national banks		2,855.00
Federal Reserve notes		1,855.00
Lawful reserve in vault and net amount due from Federal Reserve Bank		101,491.91
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer and due from U. S. Treasurer		3,600.00
Other assets, if any, Rev. Stamps		212.03
Total		\$1,436,037.87

LIABILITIES		
Capital stock paid in		200,000.00
Surplus fund		40,000.00
Undivided profits	18,297.26	
Less current expenses, interest, and taxes paid	13,068.27	5,228.99
Circulating notes outstanding		72,000.00
Net amount due to banks and bankers (other than included in 29 or 30)		30,731.40
Demand deposits:		
Individual deposits subject to check		613,951.62
Certificates of deposit due in less than 30 days		138,484.57
Certified checks		203.72
United States deposits		9,634.05
Postal savings deposits		5,000.57
Total demand deposits	767,274.53	
Time deposits (payable after 30 days, or subject to 30 days or more notice):		
Certificates of deposit		319,965.88
Other time deposits, School Savings		837.07
Total time deposits	320,802.95	
Total		\$1,436,037.87

State of Oregon, County of Union, ss:
I, F. L. Meyers, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

F. L. MEYERS, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 5th day of May, 1917.

H. A. ZURBRICK,

Notary Public.

Correct—Attest:

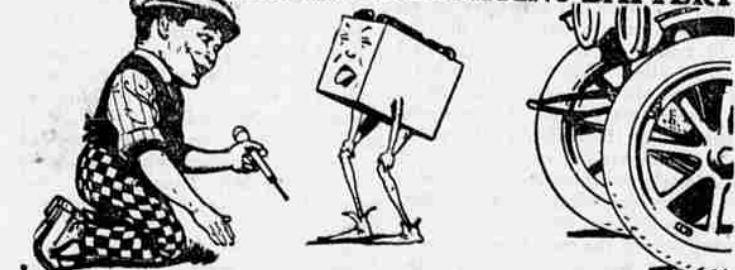
FRED J. HOLMES,

A. T. HILL,

J. G. SNODGRASS,

Directors.

FREE ATTENTION FOR YOUR STARTING & LIGHTING BATTERY



WE want you to get in the habit of letting us inspect your battery (regardless of its make) regularly. This we do free of charge, thus materially increasing the life of your battery. Should repairs be necessary we will make them at moderate cost.

The "Exide" Starting and Lighting Battery gives you a service on which you can always depend and at the very minimum of cost.

Remember, it's the battery chosen by the U. S. Navy for Submarines: gun firing and wireless service. That's a recommendation that's hard to beat.

Take advantage of our free service.

R. W. LEIGHTON

When in Portland you will find The Observer on sale at the Oregon Hotel news stand and Imperial Hotel.

