

Farm Pointers

Gooseberry growers in Oregon find it beneficial to use a sal soda or a baking soda solution on gooseberry plants which are infected late with mildew, says H. P. Barnes, bacteriologist and plant pathologist at the experiment station. One and one-half ounces of sal soda or bak-

ing soda are used to one gallon of water. This is sprayed over the plants when the disease begins to develop.

The bacterial leaf and cork disease on gladiolus in Oregon is controlled by using a formalin solution, says M. H. McKay, plant pathologist of the experiment station. The disease is recognized by spots on the leaves and rotting of the corolla. One part of formalin is added to 50 parts of water and the corolla are soaked in this solu-

tion for 30 minutes just before planting.

Maintenance of a high plane of dairy production in Oregon requires more legume hay, better pastures, more succulent crops for winter feeding and supplementary summer pastures, the experiment station has found.

Census figures show great variability in kind of crop and in yield per acre in Western Oregon, but they show a general shortage of le-

Red Gap?



Like Ma Fettingill of Red Gap, famed in fiction, Mrs. T. C. Primm of Medford, Ore., is a veteran rancher, superintending all the work on a 1000-acre cattle ranch. She is also president of the Study Club in Medford and takes an active part in civic work.

gume hay and in some sections a shortage of succulents. Forage production to meet the real need of Oregon must provide legumes for hay, silage, and summer succulents, according to the experiment station. Successful inoculation, lime, manure, and early planting are giving best results with legumes.

Red and black clover are excellent hay crops for newly cleared upland and bottom soils in Oregon. Where lime and manure are available, experimental results show their production may be profitable continued on all well drained soil types.

Dairying in the main agricultural industry in the coast section of Oregon largely because of favorable climatic conditions, distance to market, and inability to use large areas of land except by pasturing, say experiment station authorities.

The Garden

THREE REFINED CABBAGE COUSINS

Considering their popularity as table vegetables, their expense in the market and their ease of culture, it is surprising that so few gardeners have cauliflower, Brussels sprouts and kohlrabi in the home garden. Cauliflowers from the early sown seeds or plants from the seed houses may be set out now for the early crop. Kohlrabi can be sown in the open ground. They should be treated the same as turnips. As they are an early summer or late fall crop, doing best in the cooler portions of the season, the seed should go in at once. They may be transplanted as easily as cabbage but it is just as well to sow in rows and thin to six inches apart.

They produce an upstairs turnip, the swollen stem bearing the leaves being the edible portion of the vegetable, of delicate flavor somewhat resembling the cauliflower. They want rich soil and plenty of moisture.

Broccoli, which most people cannot tell from cauliflower, is attaining much popularity in the Pacific coast states where it is grown as an early winter crop and succeeds best here from early spring plants or for a late fall crop. Its culture is the same as the cauliflower. It is claimed that the broccoli is of more delicate flavor than the cauliflower, but to attain this flavor it must be cooked immediately after it is cut. Otherwise it is stronger. The head or curd is not so solid and close-packed as the cauliflower. This is the most substantial difference in appearance.

Brussels sprouts may be planted in May for the fall crop. They require the same cultivation as the cabbage and cauliflower and are at their best when the frost touches them in the fall. They make stems during the summer with cabbage-like leaves which are gradually mounted until only a tuft remains at the top and the miniature cabbages form at the scars where the older leaves grew. It is an expensive market vegetable but very easy to grow. All these plants need careful attention for plant lice and should be sprayed with a nicotine solution early.

Explorers have discovered abundant pink and ink which can still be used for writing. This last qualification precludes the possibility of the Post Office claiming them as their property.

Happy thought for this week—Don't worry about the hot weather; you may not live through the whole summer.

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PERRY PERSONALS

PERRY (Special)—Miss L. J. Reher, who is working in La Grande, visited her father, Al Reher, here Monday.

S. A. Robinson was a business visitor to La Grande Saturday. Ed Phil and family were in La Grande Sunday.

Mrs. George Robertson and son, Morris, made a trip to La Grande Monday evening.

Mrs. Clara Johansen was shopping in La Grande Saturday.

Mrs. H. Robinson called upon Mrs. Walter Thompson recently.

Harry Hansen called upon Jacob Murray one day last week. Mrs. Mildred Fewle was a La

Grande visitor Sunday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Ole Matheson were business visitors to La Grande Monday.

Harvey Larsen and family visited relatives at Mt. Glen last Sunday.

Lowell Fuller called upon relatives at Perry last week-end.

Mrs. Robert Turner made a trip to La Grande the first of the week.

J. E. Jensen visited at Perry over Sunday. He returned to Hot Lake for further treatment. He is recovering from an operation.

Frank Braden is installing a lighting system at his home here. He is in the poultry business.

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