

A Questionnaire for Farmers Interested in a Cannery

In the interests of Southern Lane and Northern Douglas county farmers, fruit and vegetable growers, the Dorena Grange and Cottage Grove Chamber of Commerce, in conjunction with the Lane Pomona Grange, is conducting an investigation relative to the possibilities of bringing a cannery to Cottage Grove. We believe Lane county can support other canneries and further that Southern Lane and Northern Douglas counties can support a cannery, one which will pay cash to growers. We hope you think the same. If you do and want a cannery in this area, we ask your cooperation in filling out this questionnaire.

In the event a cannery can be secured in the above area, what acreage would you devote to the following crops:

1. Orchards Acres
2. Berries Acres
3. Vegetables Acres

Name

Address

Remarks:

B. Bouquet, horticulturist in charge of vegetable crops at Oregon State college.

Getting Grass Stand.

Keeping pasture weeds mowed has been proved by trials carried out by Afton Zundel, county agent, and Warrenton Soil Conservation officials, to be an important step in building up and maintaining good stands of forage grasses. An increase of three to five inches in top growth and 10 to 20 per cent in density of plants resulted on clipped pasture mixtures, as compared with unclipped seedlings of English rye grass, tall oat grass, orchard grass, chewing fescue and white Dutch clover. Clipping retards the growth of weeds and undesirable plants, but aids the desired species in spreading an establishing a good stand in competition with the weeds.

Thornton Corners

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Lewis of Junction City were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. John William.

Mrs. Henry Lake and Mrs. Joe Premazzi attended the Gowdville Neighborhood club meeting Wednesday at the home of Mrs. Row Aubrey.

Doris Dixon celebrated her birthday anniversary Tuesday by having a number of playmates in for games. Refreshments were served.

Mrs. Ralph Witcher and son visited Wednesday with Mrs. Witcher's mother, Mrs. Francis Zilkoski, at Springfield.

Mrs. Mollie Trent of Guyman, Okla., and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Shad and three daughters of Manhattan, Kans., arrived Friday at the C. R. Trent home. Mrs. Trent is the mother of C. R. Trent and Mrs. Shad is a sister.

The George Foster family visited Sunday at the Melvin McGuire home at Blue Mountain.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Fisher spent Tuesday afternoon at the Tom Fisher home at Saginaw.

Mr. and Mrs. Benton Schrenk and son Gordon were week-end guests of Mrs. Schrenk's sister, Mrs. Clarence Chestnut, at Albany.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Premazzi and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Corbett Smith, her son and daughter of Culp Creek, and Miss Jackie Lemon of Dorena, were Sunday dinner guests at the Frank LaBlue home at Hebron.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Starnor of Potlatch, Ida., were Saturday night guests of Mrs. Starnor's brother, R. B. Dixon. Sunday both families accompanied Martin Black to Eugene to visit the place where Mrs. Starnor and Mr. Dixon lived when they were children. The Starnors, after a two weeks visit here left this week for their home.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Lake and son were Sunday visitors at the Ray Myers home at Delight Valley.

Delmer Bowers of North Bend was an overnight visitor at the Joe Premazzi home Sunday. He will stay at Mosby creek with his father, B. F. Bowers, and attend school the remainder of the year.

The Frank Gireau family attended a party Saturday night at the Merle Porter home at Latham.

Mrs. Mollie Trent was a Sunday dinner guest of her sister, Mrs. General Johnson, in Cottage Grove.

Mrs. Ruth Plaster and son Nile, Mr. and Mrs. Byron Dow and Archie Brunkel, all of Portland, were week-end guests at the James Plaster home.

Mrs. Lee Thomason of Dorena was a visitor Monday of Mrs. Joe Premazzi.

Vernon Rush of Ashland was an overnight guest Friday of Bobby Plaster. He was a member of the Ashland junior basketball team which played the Grove junior high team Friday evening.

Soap Carried by Columbus

Soap was included among the supplies carried by Columbus in his voyage of discovery.

Latham

The Robert St. Elmo family visited at D. E. Matthews of Dexter and R. R. Moon of Goshen Sunday.

Guests at a bridge party held Saturday night at the Merle Porter home were Mr. and Mrs. Harry Reed of Divide, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Chapman of Drain and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Garoutte of Thornton Corners.

Jack Smith returned home Sunday after being in the hospital several weeks.

Maude Powell of Smith River visited at the H. H. Harris home Wednesday.

Harlan and Jerry Mickey entered school Monday. Harlan is in the 1st grade and Jerry the 4th. The Murt Miller family of Black Butte visited at the Jim Graham home Sunday.

Mrs. Jim Graham returned Sunday after spending several weeks with her father, Mr. Morris, at Lakeview.

The Jess Grubb family visited Sunday at the Lewis Strobeck home in Eugene.

Mr. and Mrs. George Peters visited Mr. and Mrs. Charles Turpin of Anlauf Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Garoutte of Culp Creek visited Saturday at the W. T. Garoutte home.

Clinton Garoutte spent Sunday at Myrtle Creek.

Mr. and Mrs. John Sanders of Mt. View were dinner guests Sunday at the Claude Plaster home.

Mrs. Hugh Trunnell and daughter Irene spent Wednesday afternoon at the Laverne Best home in Eugene.

Week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Clingenpeel were Junior White, Lane Smith, Betty Crinket, Jimmy Hughes and Marvane Hughes of Eugene and Sunday visitors were Clifford Clingenpeel, Helen Douglas and Mrs. Douglas of Eugene.

A meeting of the Latham Health club was held Thursday. Seven officers and 17 members were present. Chapters were reported on by different members.

A meeting of the Many Merry Marketers was held Monday. After the business meeting a basketball game was played, the boys vs. girls. The boys won 6 to 2.

Mr. Kuehner, Mr. Moffitt and Mr. Quiny visited the Latham school Friday.

MYRTLE CREEK VISITORS.

Elbert Naas and Gaylor Skinner spent Sunday afternoon at Cottage Grove visiting Rev. E. E. Coulter and family, former residents of Myrtle Creek, where he was pastor of the First Christian church.

Wanda Skinner, who had been visiting friends and relatives for the past three weeks in Portland, Eugene and Cottage Grove, returned home with them in the evening.

Rev. Coulter is doing fine work in Cottage Grove, having an attendance of about 250 both morning and evening. Since August 1 he has had from one to 11 additions every Sunday. He has accepted a call to the church at Shamrock, Tex., where he and his family plan to move in the near future.—Myrtle Creek Mail.

Marked Beginning of Canoeing

When John Ledyard hewed his own canoe and sailed from Hanover, N. H., down the Connecticut river, and thence on his round-the-world cruise, he marked the beginning of canoeing as a leading recreational sport at Dartmouth college as far back as 1773.

Hot House Tomato Crop.

Just as artificial light has been found to increase the production of laying hens during short winter days, so can it be used to stimulate setting of fruit on tomato vines grown in greenhouses, according to a report just made by A. G. B. Bouquet, horticulturist in charge of vegetable crops at OSC, in a new extension circular entitled, "Greenhouse Vegetables - Tomatoes." "Where plants were given the extra illumination, the number of fruits set per cluster was markedly higher than those which were unilluminated, but whether the cost of the illumination and its equipment would be equal to or greater than the value of the increased yield of fruit would depend on the cost of the lighting and the value of the crop," the report states.

Because of the influence of light, most growers find it more profitable to produce greenhouse tomatoes during the period of lengthening days in advance of the outdoor crop, rather than in the shorter-day period following the close of regular season, the author says. The circular includes complete discussion of production factors entering into the growing of tomatoes under glass.

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FOR FARMERS

Farm Economic Conference

Meetings of advance committees which are preparing material for the forthcoming Lane county farm economic conference, to be held in Eugene on February 15, are resulting in the accumulation of many important facts and figures regarding the present trends and future outlook for agriculture in this county, reports O. S. Fletcher, county agent.

The advance work for the conference is being handled through four committees this year, which are considering land use, crop production, livestock production, and farm home and rural life. The material being gathered by these committees will be submitted to the general conference for a full day's consideration, at the conclusion of which reports and recommendations will be adopted.

The forthcoming conference is to be a "family affair," emphasizes County Agent Fletcher, the idea being that the future welfare of the farm home is directly dependent on the economic success of the farm itself, and that plans for the farm and home should be made together.

OSC Research Report.

The effect of agricultural and home economics research on Oregon's progress is the theme of a report of the agricultural experiment station at OSC. The report by R. S. Desse, vice-director of the experiment station, contains a list of the 237 research projects for the last biennium.

The largest number of research projects reported on is concerned with protecting crops and livestock. The next largest number have to do with the developing of more economical production methods. Next in order are studies to improve quality, to win and hold markets, conserve soil fertility and testing irrigation, introducing, testing, breeding and developing superior strains, analyzing cost of production and economic efficiency and testing farm home conveniences and management.

Oregon's agricultural and home economics research program has for its main objectives the reduction of the hazards in farming, and improving the standards of living in rural homes. Vice-Director Besse points out in the report. The problems of the farm have increased and broadened with the progress of civilization and its

complexities. The farm today is a commercial unit that must compete in the markets of the world, not only in amount and quality of products but in the efficiency of production as well, he says.

The continuous returns the people of Oregon receive from the known results of agricultural research is conservatively estimated to exceed ten million dollars annually, while the state's direct cash contribution to this program is less than one per cent of this return for the biennium reported on.

Best Berry Insurance.

Avoiding the dwarf disease of fields depends primarily on using plants from stock not affected by this virus trouble, and through being sure that loganberries are not planted near phenomenal berries, which are quite generally subject to the disease, says Dr. S. M. Zeller, plant pathologist, Oregon State college, in a brief station circular of information entitled, "Dwarf Disease of Loganberries." Where the disease shows less than five per cent, it is practical and advisable to rogue out the affected plants, making sure that the stalks are burned immediately, rather than being allowed to lie around as a source of infection for other plants.

Celery Growing Increases.

In 1920, Oregon shipped only six cars of celery to outside states, but in just 10 years this crop had increased more than 10-fold, with total shipments reaching 647 cars. During 1936 the number of car load shipments reported was 523, though this doesn't include less than car lot shipments, truck hauling and celery loaded in mixed cars. These few statistics, together with latest information on celery production methods in Oregon, are contained in a new extension circular of information, "Celery Production and Marketing," by A. C.

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