

## Invest and Care Croft Lilies

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are indicated on the following. These can be made from wood or 1/8" to 3/16" "mas-

If a lily bulb will pass through a no. 6 opening but not a No. 5, then it is classed as a no. 5-6 bulb. Similarly if a bulb will pass through a no. 7 opening but not through a no. 8, it is a 7-8 bulb. All bulbs 7s are better classed as 7s stock. The performance of forcing stock has not been satisfactory, and in the opinion of florists, they should be planted for an additional year's

problem of shrinkage is a serious one. Many growers, however, complain that they are undersized when they are avoided if the bulbs are in such a manner as to and storage with a minimum amount of shrinkage. How- it may be difficult, if not sible, to pack bulbs so they survive storage indefinitely at some deterioration, such as shrinkage, excessive root growth perhaps some definite allow- needs to be made for shrink- The question then arises as to will bear this loss.

### Packing Cases

growers have been pack- ing their forcing bulbs in units of each. Shipping cases made of box stock seem to be about right size to accommodate the and packing material. Tops and bottoms must be made of the material as the sides since conventional tops and bottoms are used for apple boxes are not suited for packing lilies. Stock is available in the region in less than would specially pack. Cases should be cleared around. This is necessary to the circulation of air and between the cases when they are stacked in the warehouse. It also streng- them against possible rup- handling.

Unfortunately, not all growers using this type of case. That is needed for the growers to a standard shipping case is apparent. Economy of stor- age is perhaps one of the less, if the growers would their collective experience with that of the brokers, a satisfactory solution to the problem would be found.

### Packing Material

Experience shows that granu- lated peat moss is a satisfactory material to use for packing lily for shipment. Both the hort- icultural grade and that sold for house litter are used. Both are available in this region and both economical to use. The peat should be shredded and screened

in preparation for use. A screen made from 1/2 inch mesh hard- wood cloth is satisfactory. After the peat has been shredded and screened it should be moistened by sprinkling and mixing with water. The moistened peat seems to improve as a packing material if it is allowed to stand about 24 hours before using.

NOTE: Moisten the granu- lated peat, but do not make it wet. If the peat is used dry, as it comes from the bale, it will draw moisture from the bulbs, causing unnecessary shrinkage and harm.

### Packing The Bulbs

Cover the bottom of the case with a layer of the moistened peat moss. Place a layer of bulbs on this and add enough of the pack- ing material to fill the spaces be- tween the bulbs to cover them. Add another layer of bulbs and packing material and repeat until the case has been filled. If the bulbs are placed in the case ac- cording to a definite pattern, say 25 bulbs to a layer, then the prob- lem of counting is simplified. Many growers place the bulbs in rows across the case with the roots all one way, the second row of bulbs covering the roots of the first row, and so on until the layer is com- pleted. About four layers of 25 bulbs each will fill a case made from apple box stock.

Before nailing the cover be sure the case is well filled. Settle the contents of the case by gently shaking the and firm the pack- ing material above the last layer of bulbs by pressing gently with the hands. Pay particular atten- tion to the sides and ends of the pack. Add packing material to a little more than will fill the case. The cover should buldge some- what after it has been nailed in place. The object is to prevent the bulbs from shifting in the case during the shipping and storage operation. Careless packs are a loss to everyone

### Labeling The Cases

Plainly mark each case with the variety, the number of bulbs it contains and the size. Some grow- ers also include the date when the case was packed. For example: CROFT 100 7s-8s 9-29-46

Do not pack more than one size in the same case. Also avoid mix- ing varieties. The florist, who is the ultimate consumer of your product, will thank you for this consideration. Unfortunately, no two varieties of Easter lilies re- spond in the same way to any given set of forcing directions.

## P.-T. A. Seeks Big Membership List

Is your child's success tomorrow worth a little of your considera- tion today?

Today, you worked long, hard hours in those precious lilies, to insure his economic security. Give the Parent-Teachers Association

your membership and help work toward his educational security, so that he will be equipped to plan a well-balanced and satisfy- ing life. Every boy and girl in local school system is building the educational foundation for success or failure.

Parents and teachers, working together through the P.-T. A., can accomplish many of the things needed to improve the future our local youngsters have a right to look forward to. There is strength in numbers working for a com- mon good.

Every parent of a local school child will either be called upon or receive a personal invitation to affiliate with the P.-T. A. The organization can begin to func- tion sooner in the school year if you will send your application for membership to your child's teacher, give it to Jeanette Pierce, acting president, or to Lulu Gol- dizen, membership chairman. A yearly fee of 50c is asked to de- fray expenses.—Contributed

### Local News Items

Mrs. W. K. Harmon of Klam- ath Falls came Sunday and will remain here during bulb harvest, the next two weeks or more.

Mrs. Ella Kessler arrived Sun- day by car from Dixon, Wyo., and is visiting her sons, Homer and George of Brookings, and Ralph of Gold Beach, for a time before going to Corvallis where she will be house mother at a sorority, at Oregon State College campus.

A power shovel was unloaded here Sunday by Elmer Bankus' crew, to be used in his operations.

A number of the board members left for Portland earlier this week to confer with Freeman & Hays- lip, architects, concerning erec- tion of the local school building.

Mrs. Georgia Froom, former first grade teacher at Gold Beach, is reported to have been appointed county school superintendent, to fill the vacancy caused by resig- nation of Kathryn Smith, who left for Hood River.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Stephenson of Salem are guests of Mrs. Stephe- son's mother, Mrs. Goldie Smith. The Stephensons are associated in the Triple S Bulb Farms, with Mrs. Smith and Mrs. Swearinger. He is state bridge engineer for Oregon.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Cleveland left late Saturday evening en route to Los Angeles where Mr.

Cleveland will visit a brother, and spend part of his vacation. Mr. and Mrs. Roy Stephenson are in charge of the Coos Electric Co-op office during his absence.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Carr and

son of Dayton were brief visitors in Brookings, Monday, en route to Crescent City, from where they planned to visit Oregon Caves, and return home via Roseburg and Eugene.

## LILY BULB INSURANCE

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