

PROPOSED NEW APPLE LAW PROVIDES FOR UNIFORM BOX

One of the most interesting matters which will come up for attention at the meeting of the International Apple Shippers' Association at Niagara Falls will be the bill introduced at the Spring session of congress by Representative Porter of New York. The association has already succeeded in securing the enactment of a state law which will do away with the short apple barrel evil, but this has nothing to do with the grading of the fruit and applies only to New York state. The measure, which Representative Porter has introduced provides for standard grading as well as standard packages, and it will apply over the entire United States. This is a measure of far greater importance than anything which has ever been undertaken in the way of legislation affecting apple packing, and thus far there seems to be little objection to it on the part of growers or shippers, while all operators are naturally in favor of it. It will come before the fall session of congress, and while it can hardly become operative during the coming apple season, there is every prospect of its passage, if strongly supported by those interested, and it would be in effect next year.

The bill reads as follows:
 "H. R. BILL NO. 21,400.
 "A Bill Concerning Standard Packages, Grades and Marketing of Apples.
 "Be it enacted by the senate and house of representatives of the United States of America, in congress assembled,
 "Section 1—That the provision of this act shall apply to closed packages of apples—that are, or may be, transported from one state or territory of the United States, or the District of Columbia, to another state or territory of the United States, or from one place in a territory to another place in the same territory, or from any place in the United States to an adjacent foreign country, or from any place in the United States through a foreign country to any other place in the United States.

Sec. 2—That in this act, unless the context otherwise requires, the expression 'closed package' means a barrel, box or basket, of which the contract otherwise requires, the expected when such package is prepared for market.
 "Apples packed in closed crates, barrels or boxes, covered with slat covers, burlap or tarlatan, shall come within the meaning of the expression 'closed packages.'
 "Sec. 3—That in this act the following classifications for closed packages of apples shall be adopted as standard packages:
 "Part 1—The Standard measure of capacity for all apples packed in boxes shall be the heaped bushel, containing as nearly as may be 2,564 cubic inches, and of no less capacity than would be contained in a box of the following dimensions: 18 1/2 by 12 by 11 1/2 inches, inside measurement. Boxes of the above described capacity or dimensions shall be marked 'standard box.'
 "Any box of less dimensions or capacity shall be marked in a plain and indelible manner, both on side and top, in letters not less than one inch long, 'short box' or with the fractional part of a bushel it may contain.
 "Part 2—The standard measure of capacity for all apples packed in baskets shall be the heaped bushel, containing 2,564 cubic inches.
 "Baskets of the above described capacity shall be marked 'standard basket.' Any basket of less capacity shall be marked in a plain and indelible manner on both side and top, in letters not less than one inch long, 'short basket' or with the fractional part of a bushel it may contain.
 "Part 3—The standard measure of capacity for all apples packed in barrels shall be as nearly as may be, three bushels, the barrel to be of no less dimensions than 17 1/2 inch head, length of stave 28 1/2 inches, with bulge circumference not less than 64 inches outside measurement.
 "Barrels of the above described capacity and dimensions shall be marked 'standard barrel.' Any barrel of less dimensions and capacity shall be marked in a plain and indelible manner, both on side and top, in letters not less than one inch long, 'short barrel' or with the capacity in bushels or fraction thereof, or if one-half the capacity or dimensions of a standard barrel, it shall be plainly marked 'one-half barrel.'
 "Sec. 4—That in this act the following classifications of grades for closed packages of apples shall be

adopted as standard grades: 'No. 1' and 'No. 2,' but such mark may be accompanied by any other designation of grade or brand, provided that such designation of grade or brand is not inconsistent with or marked more conspicuously than the one of the said two marks designating grade which is used on the package.
 Part 1.—'No. 1' grade and quality shall consist of healthy, well grown apples of one variety, sound, of not less than 2 1/2 inches in diameter, and of good color for the variety, of normal shape and not less than 90 per cent free from scab, worm holes, bruises and other defects, and properly packed.
 Part 2.—'No. 2' grade and quality shall consist of apples of not less than nearly medium size for the variety healthy, and not less than 25 per cent free from scab, worm holes, bruises and such other defects as cause material waste, and properly packed.
 "Sec. 5.—That the enforcement of this act shall be under the direction of the department of agriculture of the United States and the secretary of agriculture shall appoint a green fruit commissioner (with a sufficient appropriation to carry into effect the provisions of this act), and to employ such assistants as may be necessary.
 "Sec. 6.—That it shall be the duty of the said green fruit commissioner, upon the reasonable request of any person, corporation or firm, having in their possession, and intended for interstate commerce, apples in closed packages, as heretofore described, to make inspection and to issue to such person, corporation or firm making said request, a certificate which shall set forth the grade or standard of apples and package as established by this act, and if said inspector shall find the apples properly packed, according to the standard set forth in this act, he may certify to the same or if he finds them packed or graded inferior, or not true to marks, it shall be his duty to mark them in a plain and indelible manner 'falsely marked.'
 "For the services outlined in this section a reasonable charge may be established; said charge not to exceed five (5c) cents per barrel, and two and one-half (2 1/2c) cents per box or basket; provided that the minimum total charge for such services shall be two dollars and fifty cents (\$2.50).
 "Sec. 7.—That every person who not being an authorized government inspector, wilfully alters, effaces or obliterated wholly or partially any of the marks prescribed in this act for 'closed packages' of apples, or causes the same to be done, shall be liable to a fine of not less than twenty-five (25c) cents, and not more than five (\$5) dollars for each package upon which the marks have been so altered, effaced or obliterated; and further,
 "That every person, corporation or firm, who shall be found guilty of having, either personally or through the agency of others, wilfully mis-marked closed packages of apples as to capacity or packages, as described and provided for in this act, shall, upon conviction, be subjected to a fine of not less than twenty-five (25c) cents, and not more than five (\$5) dollars for each package so mis-marked.
 "The person on whose behalf any apples are packed, sold or offered for sale, shall be prima facie liable for the violation of this act.
 "Sec. 8.—That any of the Circuit

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