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## PROTECT THE OREGON MINT INDUSTRY IS THE ADVICE OF O. A. C. AUTHORITY

The Association Must Be Supported and There Must Be a Standardization and Uniformity of Methods of Growing and Distilling, Giving the Highest Possible Quality, Says Prof. Bouquet

(The following is in full Circular 179 of the Oregon Agricultural college extension service, the author being A. G. B. Bouquet, of the department of vegetable gardening, and the date being early 1921.)

There is undoubtedly much interest being taken in mint growing in the northwest at the present time. This is due to various things which have had a tendency to publish the high value of Oregon oil, and it is very evident that there are numbers of people who are becoming interested in growing mint, who have but a small idea concerning the nature of the crop and its care after it has been grown. Correspondence to the State Agricultural college has been quite extensive during past weeks, asking for information about growing mint. Especial attention is called concerning the following factors relative to spring planting in 1921.

First of all, it is known that Oregon oil now commands as good a market price as any peppermint oil that is offered from any other part of the country. This means

that Oregon mint oil has a reputation that must be maintained and preserved. Nothing should be done to soil this reputation in the eyes of the trade who purchase the oil.

**Get the Right Plants**

This being true, it is important that no mint should be grown commercially in the state that is not grown from plants coming from a field of standard strain of mint, which has already proven the quality of the oil previously produced. Mint fields from which plants are obtained for future planting should be certified as to their value in producing oil of a high quality, so that future growers of mint may get plants of the very best strain possible.

**Don't Raise Wild Mint**

Letters are constantly reaching this college and experiment station concerning the question of wild mint growing on the farm, and whether it is suitable for growing commercially, and worth distilling. To all of these inquiries the reply is that no mint in any wise should be cultivated and receive any attention whatsoever, but that which is planted from some known strain having previously produced oil that is of the best market value. There is more or less danger in wild mint growing on the place, which might accidentally get mixed up in the cultivated kind and the two distilled together with the result that the good oil may be tainted, and its value would be considerably depreciated.

**Support the Association**

It is to the interest of every grower of mint at the present time, and everyone who intends to grow mint, to become a member of the state association and to lend aid to it in any way, so that it may be the biggest factor in putting the mint industry on a high plane and in keeping the business standardized.

The officers of the mint association are as follows: E. B. Wallace, Albany, Oregon, president; Bird Rickard, Monroe, Oregon, secretary - treasurer. Inquiries concerning where to get roots and other matters pertaining to the association work can be taken up with either of these two officers of the association.

Oregon mint oil is of too great value to have a few individual growers growing some kind of

**OREGON GROWERS IN GOOD CONDITION**

Statement By President Miller About Reorganization Plans Being Made

(The following is a dispatch of December 3d from Sheridan, the home of the president of the Oregon Growers Cooperative association.)

Rumors, circulated freely throughout the Pacific northwest and more particularly Oregon, to the effect that reorganization of the Oregon Growers' Cooperative association indicated that the association was about to wreck itself on financial rocks were spiked in a vigorous statement released here today by Kenneth C. Miller, president, following his return from Salem, where a meeting of the board of directors had been called to discuss the perplexing problem that had arisen following the recent announcement of the intention of the association to reorganize. The original announcement had met with approval of bankers, growers and business interests of the state supporting the association.

**OREGON PEPPERMINT IS OF A VERY HIGH GRADE AND TESTS VERY HIGH**

Mark Aspinwall Says the Marketing Conditions are Bettering as the Years Go by, and the Outlook for Mint in the Future Is Very Good--The Methods of Planting and Harvesting the Mint

Editor Statesman:

Your letter of November 28th at hand and contents noted. In reply will say that my short time in the mint industry has revealed a number of things of interest to me.

Peppermint is more or less of a water plant and requires considerable moisture in the ground in order to get a good growth. I find that marshy or beaverdam land is the best soil adapted for the growing of mint.

**Planting of Mint**

The planting should be done in the early spring, about March if possible, or even a little earlier. The roots should be planted in rows about three feet apart, laying the roots in one continuous row; either plow them under in every third furrow or if the ground is in good condition mark it off and furrow out places for the roots which you can cover with a harrow or leveler. Mint can be harvested until it is up about five or six inches high without any damage being done to it. After that the rows can be followed with a cultivator (if straight enough) until time to lay it aside. Care should be taken to leave the ground as level as possible, as if there are too many ridges left in cultivating it will cause trouble in cutting.

The Harvesting  
The proper time to cut mint

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**Otto F. Zwicker, Prop.**  
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But since the rumors became prevalent that with the expiration of this year the association would not enforce contracts next year, great uneasiness has prevailed, causing a distinctly unsettled condition among the horticultural interests of Oregon, declared Mr. Miller. Since the association is strongly financed by Portland bankers, the statement of Mr. Miller will be keenly appreciated by them.

**Statement Denies Rumors**

"There has never been the least thought or intention on the part of the board of directors not to enforce contracts in 1924 nor to fail to provide proper facilities for growers who have fruit to deliver," declares the statement. "The board would like to have it understood that the organization has no financial difficulties except the original one of under financing. The association finances today are in better shape than they have ever been. Deliveries of fruit have been more prompt in 1923 than in 1922."

Mr. Miller concedes, however, that after 1924 it is possible the Oregon growers' association may be merged with other organizations as a result of the single commodity idea now sweeping the country.

"At present," the statement explains, "the association handles not only canned, dried and fresh fruits, but nuts also and in some districts vegetables. It is now proposed to turn the handling of some of these products over to local organizations and others to state-wide organizations which are now in process of formation. It was in this sense that the word reorganization was used in connection with the announcement of the plans of the Oregon Growers to reorganize."

"While some of us believe that the single commodity idea can and perhaps will be carried too far in western Oregon and particularly

## SPANISH AND ITALIAN ENVOYS' OF FICES DYNAMITED IN PHILADELPHIA



Two terrific bomb explosions in foreign consulates in the downtown district, which occurred in Philadelphia recently, injured scores of persons, damaged many houses and threw the southern section of the city into wild excitement. No one was seriously hurt, so far as the police could learn. The first explosion occurred at the Spanish Consulate about 1 A. M. and the second at the Consulate of Italy Bank an hour later. The Italian Consulate is in the bank building and the bomb was placed on the doorstep leading to the Consul's offices. Both blasts shattered window panes and shook houses within a wide radius. The force of the explosion at the Spanish Consulate was so great that many persons were hurled from their beds. The bomb, concealed in a wooden box, was found on the doorstep by Emilio de Motta, the Consul, when he returned from the theater. He placed it inside the hallway, but, after retiring, he told the police, he had concluded that a passerby had left the box on the doorstep temporarily and might return for it. Without a thought of the deadly bomb concealed within, he got out of bed and replaced the box on the doorstep. Below, Emilio de Motta, Spanish Consul, and Luigi Sillitti, the Italian Consul, and some of the Italian Bank building badly wrecked. Below, Emilio de Motta, Spanish Consul, and hole blown through wall of Spanish Consulate building.

in the Willamette valley, yet it may be best for us to bow to the inevitable and give it a thorough trial," continues the statement. "This point, however, will be determined by the sentiment and desires of the growers themselves and the board of directors will be governed absolutely by the sentiment of the growers. In order to make itself absolutely clear the board would like it understood that the association has no financial difficulties except the original one of under financing. Pools have been closed much earlier than in the past years and while returns have not always run as high as growers and officials would like, still they have compared favorably with the average return to other growers. In comparing returns people are prone to compare their returns with the highest return they know about. This is not a fair comparison, as the average should be used.

"As an example of this the association's 1922 returns on prunes will not be as high as some individual growers received, but when you consider that many growers sold for 3 cents a pound and even as low as 2 cents and that some growers still have their 1922 crop on hand with no sale in prospect the association's return on 20,000,000 pounds will be above the average."

**Back Dividends Paid**

During 1923 the association has not only paid up the back dividends on preferred stock but has retired one series of preferred stock and has accumulated a fund almost sufficient for the retire-

ment of an additional series. Reverting to the enforcement of contracts, the statement says: "As before stated, the contracts expire with the year 1924 and it is necessary that plans for 1925 and the future be not only discussed during the coming winter but that they be formulated and actually started. Whatever work in this line is left unfinished by March 1, 1924, will be exactly at the same place when the contracts expire. The reason for this is that after March 1 the growers are too busy with their work to attend meetings and in many instances too tired at night to give the subject proper thought.

"In addition to all that, the officials connected with the organization become tied down with the handling and sales of fruits that begin coming in after that time. For these reasons the board began talking reorganization about a month ago and this led to the many rumors already mentioned.

"While the organization is bound by contract to handle the fruit of all members this will not prevent sale of plants during the year 1924, whenever in the judgment of the board of directors it is good business to do so. Owing to the varied number of products handled and the small scattered tonnage which was originally signed in many districts it is possible that some plants will be sold and the various arrangements made for the handling of members' fruits in these districts. This is only correcting mistakes originally made and is good business."

**MAKES \$100 AN ACRE NET ON MINT**

Easiest Money He Makes and Wishes He Had More Land Suitable for It

A. T. Van Cleave and son have four acres in peppermint on the farm down on the edge of Lake Meadows, on Route 9, Salem.

A. T. Van Cleave was among the growers to whom the Statesman editor wrote last week for information concerning the mint industry. He did not answer, but when the Slogan man phoned he said he had intended to write but had been too busy till it was too late.

Wishes He Had More  
Mr. Van Cleave told the Statesman (Continued on page 11)

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