

GETTING EARLIER "CANTS"

There is an unauthentic tradition to the effect that the owl, that bird of nocturnal habits, was the original earlier bird. It was not sufficient for the owl that dawn—that call to breakfast of the robins, the larks, the sparrows and others of the feathered tribe—should arbitrarily govern him. He began to outwit the other birds by snooping around before light, as if sun-up wasn't early enough for any sensible bird to begin the day's activities. Thus, so goes the fable, the owl came to love the moonless dark; his eyes adapted themselves to the gloom; and eventually his ocular equipment enabling, he became strictly a night bird.

The owl's tactics suggest latest methods of Imperial Valley, California, cantaloupe growers. California has always been noted for its early produce. One can be very early without half trying in California, so why should cantaloupe growers try to be earlier?

The answer, of course, is that moving business reason expressed in four words—to make more money. The steps which ingenious Imperial Valley growers, planting in January, take to get earlier "cants" are as successful as they are unique.

The growers begin by ridging the cantaloupe land in the great series of rows running east and west. The purposes of the ridges are dual. They enable the grower to irrigate the plants without washing them out, but much more than this, they adapt themselves to forcing measures. The rows running east and west, it is practical to plant the seed half-way up a side facing the warm south. This southern exposure means that the young plants get maximum benefit from the sunshine. It is an absolutely necessary measure.

Next the growers bring into use their cantaloupe caps. These are circular devices made of waxed or oiled paper, and they are placed over the hills until the young plants are well up. They protect the plants in the event of adverse temperatures. When it is safe to remove the caps, they are not thrown away. Oh, no! The clever cantaloupe expert knows every kink of his business. He turns the caps back so that they protect the plants on the north side, while the southern exposure is still preserved.

Among the Imperial Valley growers there is intense competition to get the edible "cants" on the big Eastern city markets at the earliest possible date. That is why such methods as here described are used. They are a product of competition.

Not all the cantaloupes grown are capped, on east and west rows, but a large percentage are—in 1919, according to a good authority, 8000 out of 13,000 acres.



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A good year! A very good year—and you helped make it so! We thank you, and extend to you and yours the compliments of the season. Your loyal support in the past encourages us to lay BROADER plans for the FUTURE.

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been duly appointed Executor of the estate of John R. Cooper, deceased, by the County Court of the State of Oregon for Polk county, and has qualified. All persons having claims against the said estate are hereby notified to present the same duly verified, together with the proper vouchers therefor, to the undersigned executor at his residence in the city of Independence in said county within six months from the date of this notice.

Dated and first published December 5, 1919. PEARL C. COOPER.

Executor of the estate of John R. Cooper, deceased.

SWOPE & SWOPE, Attorneys.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been duly appointed Administrator of the estate of B. F. Schunk, deceased, by the County Court of the State of Oregon for Polk county, and has qualified. All persons having claims against the said estate are hereby notified to present the same duly verified, together with the proper vouchers therefor, to the undersigned Administrator at his residence near Buena Vista, Polk County, Oregon, within six months from the date of the first publication of this notice.

Dated and first published December 5th, 1919. J. A. REYNOLDS,

Administrator of the estate of B. F. Schunk, deceased.

SWOPE & SWOPE, Attorneys.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned D. E. Fletcher, has been appointed by the County Court of the State of Oregon for the County of Polk, Administrator of the estate of J. L. W. Jaspersen, deceased, and has qualified.

All persons having claims against the said estate are hereby required to present them, with proper vouchers, within six months from the date of this notice, to said Administrator at his office in the Cooper Block, in the city of Independence in said county and State.

Dated and first published November 28, 1919.

D. E. FLETCHER,
Administrator of the Estate of J. L. W. Jaspersen, deceased.

D. E. FLETCHER, Attorney.

NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned Administratrix of the estate of Homer Liliberty, deceased, has filed her final account in the county court of the State of Oregon for Polk county, and that Monday the 22nd day of December, 1919, at the hour of 10 o'clock in the forenoon of said day at the County Court room in the County Court House at Dallas, Oregon, has been appointed by said Court as the time and place for the hearing of objections to the final account and the settlement thereof.

GRACE MORGAN,
Administratrix of the estate of Homer Liliberty, deceased.

Dated and first published November 21, 1919.

SWOPE & SWOPE, Attorneys.

When home merchants do not advertise in their local papers, they have mighty poor excuse to kick and find fault when Salem or Montgomer Ward & Company fill the papers with their announcements. The Editor solicits business on "charity sake," it solicits business on "charity sake," but its advertising value is for sale and is the same as the merchants who sell goods off his shelves whether the customers is from Monmouth, Independence, Portland or Salem—it makes no difference. Our advertising space is for sale, (home merchants preferred) but if the local merchant cannot see the value of advertising to him and his business, why the other fellow more wide-a-wake has a perfect right to endeavor to sell his goods through this medium. Don't kick because he is after the trade, as he is only using the same business tactics you should. If your trade is slipping away from you, you should only cuss yourself—and not the poor editor who is slowing starving to death waiting for you to support him.

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C. G. IRINE, Cashier.
L. C. FITZGERALD, Asst. Cashier.



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