

POTATO CROP IS A BIT SHORT

ACREAGE SOMEWHAT REDUCED

George Hobbs is "Spud King" at Powell Butte—Farmers East of Bend Get 200 Bushels Off Half Acre of Well Manured Land.

By U. N. Hoffman.

The Central Oregon Irish potato, which is each year becoming more famous because of its excellent qualities—qualities that potatoes of few other sections of the land can boast—will not be eaten so extensively this year as last. The only reason for this is that the crop is a great deal shorter than it was in 1912. So many spuds were raised then that they could not be disposed of at any price—in this part of the country both the yield and the acreage were large. Many of the farmers who could not get rid of their crops fed them to hogs and in this way made them bring from 25 to 50 cents a hundred. The cost of raising potatoes, from what I have learned from talking with a large number of growers, is pretty close to 50 cents a hundred, this being especially true if the spuds are sacked. The sacks generally cost 5 or 10 cents each.

With so many potatoes saleable in 1912, the farmers this spring hesitated in planting them and the result has been that the acreage was greatly reduced. One of the exceptions to this is George Hobbs of Powell Butte. Mr. Hobbs is known among his neighbors as the "Spud King" and he is probably the largest grower of this vegetable in all of Central Oregon. This year he has 90 acres. When the writer visited the Powell Butte district recently he had not yet started to dig his crop, but Mr. Hobbs felt sure that the yield would be a great deal less than it was last year. However, he expects to make more money than from his 1912 crop owing to the better prices. Already some of the ranchers have been getting a cent a pound for their spuds in Bend, and by next spring they expect the price to go to a cent and a half or more. There are more people to eat potatoes and fewer potatoes to be eaten, hence the law of supply and demand will naturally put the price higher than it was in 1912.

From conversations with potato growers in the Powell Butte, Alfalfa, Laidlaw and Bend districts I do not think that the average yield of potatoes to the acre in these communities will be very much over 50 sacks—if they run that much. Some of the farmers do have excellent yields—but these are exceptions. "How are your potatoes this year?" was a question which I asked of at least 25 growers, and with few exceptions the answer was, "Poor." Various reasons were put forward as the cause of this. Some attributed it to the frosts which came in July and August and nipped the tops; others to lack of water—these were the main reasons assigned.

Two Hundred Bushels on Half Acre. The best yield this year that the writer has heard of is that obtained by H. Hughes, who lives in the Orange Hill district six miles east of Bend. Mr. Hughes had a half acre of irrigated land planted to what were supposed to be Burbanks but which turned out to be some other variety—a very smooth and well shaped potato, however. From this half acre Mr. Hughes dug 200 bushels, or 120 sacks of 100 pounds each. This is at a rate of 240 sacks to the acre, a tremendous yield. Mr. Hughes will no doubt be able to sell these at a cent a pound or more, but should he get a cent he will realize a gross return from this half acre of \$120. Should he get a cent and a half his return will be brought up to \$180. Mr. Hughes used manure freely on the land and cultivated it intensively.

Standing next in the list with Mr. Hughes' yield is that obtained on the ranch of Frank May at Powell Butte. This ranch was farmed this year by Oscar Prickett, who had five acres in potatoes. Mr. May spent Thursday and Friday on the ranch looking after the digging, and reports that the yield is about 100 sacks to the acre. The explanation of this is that he used manure freely, just as Mr. Hughes did, hauling out a load last year every time he brought a load of hay to Bend.

WEEKLY MARKET REPORT.
NORTH PORTLAND, Oct. 18.—Receipts for the week have been: Cattle 1931, calves 412, hogs 3151, sheep 3921, horses 42. Optimism has ruled the cattle market this week and prices are 5 to 10 cents higher than they were six days ago. Prime steers and cows were in demand and sold quickly. Best load of steers averaged \$8 early in the week. Other top sales were \$7.75 to \$7.80 and \$7.90 in small quantities. Portland's swine market can always be depended upon for surprises. It sprang a new one this week by advancing a full dime to \$8.75 and this advance was made notwithstanding a total receipt as large as that of last week. Outlet has greater capa-

bilities than the trade anticipated and the run was disposed of at sellers' prices. Swine weights were better also, and quality averaged high. The bulk of light swine sold at \$8.25 to \$8.65, heavy weights \$7.25 to \$7.80. Mutton buying was limited to ewes, as yearlings and old wethers were not offering. A strong ewe top at \$3.90 was established and three full cars went over the scales at that figure. The lamb market was quiet.

BREEDS OF DAIRY CATTLE

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(Madras Pioneer)
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Notice is hereby given by the undersigned, duly appointed, qualified and acting administrator of the estate of A. P. Ramsay, deceased, to the Creditors and all persons having claims against the said deceased or his estate to present them, verified as required by law, within six months after the date of the first publication of this notice, to the administrator of said estate at the office of his attorney, Vernon A. Forbes, in the First National Bank Building at Bend, Oregon, the same being the place for the transaction of the business of said estate in said county and state.

Dated this 15th day of October, 1913.
W. D. BARNES,
Administrator of the Estate of A. P. Ramsay, deceased.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.
Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at The Dalles, Oregon, Sept. 25, 1913.
Notice is hereby given that Thomas Gray, of Bend, Oregon, who on April 28, 1910, made homestead application No. 96529, for sw 1/4 sec. 1, and s 1/2 sec. 2, sec. 11, and ne 1/4 sec. 1, sec. 12, township 20 south, range 16 east, Willamette, Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make final three year proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before H. C. Ellis, United States commissioner, at Bend, Oregon, on the 22nd day of November, 1913.
Claimant names as witnesses: Joseph W. McConnell, Otis C. Henkle, Fulton F. Hafner, Frank J. Elkstead, all of Bend, Oregon.
H. FRANK WOODCOCK, Register.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.
Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at The Dalles, Oregon, September 26, 1913.
Notice is hereby given that Fulton H. Hafner, of Bend, Oregon, who on March 31, 1910, made homestead entry No. 96365, additional, March 17, 1913, No. 911425, for Lots 3, 4, Sec. 18, T. 19, S. R. 14, E., SE 1/4, S 1/2 NE 1/4, Section 13, Township 19, S., Range 13, E., Willamette Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make final three year proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before H. C. Ellis, a U. S. Commissioner, at his office in Bend, Oregon, on the 17th day of November, 1913.
Claimant names as witnesses: Frank J. Elkstead, John A. Hazuka, Thomas Gray and Adolph Gebhart all of Bend, Oregon.
H. FRANK WOODCOCK, Register.

NOTICE OF CONTEST.
Department of the Interior, United States Land Office, The Dalles, Oregon, September 22, 1913.
To Clarence C. Presby of Bend, Oregon, Contestee:
You are hereby notified that Charles A. Bengtson, who gives 6-of H. C. Ellis, Bend, Oregon, as his post-office address, did on August 23, 1913, file in this office his duly corroborated application to contest and secure the cancellation of your homestead, Entry No. 1, Serial No. 919401, made August 10, 1912, for NE 1/4 SW 1/4, S 1/2 SW 1/4, SW 1/4 SE 1/4, Section 23, Township 20, S., Range 20, E., Willamette Meridian, and as grounds for his contest he alleges that said Clarence C. Presby has failed to establish or maintain a residence upon said entry; that he has failed to cultivate said tract as required by law; that he has wholly abandoned said tract for more than six months last past.

You are, therefore, further notified that the said allegations will be taken by this office as having been confessed by you, and your said entry will be canceled thereunder without your further right to be heard therein, either before this office or on appeal, if you fail to file in this office within twenty days after the FOURTH publication of this notice, as shown below, your answer, under oath, specifically meeting and responding to those allegations of contest or if you fail within that time to file in this office due proof that you have served a copy of your answer on the said contestant either in person or by registered mail. If this service is made by the delivery of a copy of your answer to the contestant in person, proof of such service must be either the said contestant's written acknowledgment of his receipt of the copy, showing the date of its receipt, or the affidavit of the person by whom delivered; if made by registered mail, proof of such service must consist of the affidavit of the person by whom the copy was mailed stating when and the postoffice to which it was mailed, and this affidavit must be accompanied by the postmaster's receipt for the letter.

You should state in your answer the name of the postoffice to which you desire future notices to be sent to you.
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