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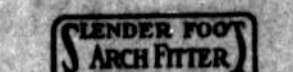


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**HOW TO PREVENT
POTATO DISEASES**

(By Gordon G. Brown)

The following is a copy of circular
letter No. 3 issued by the Department
of Botany and Plant Pathology of the
Oregon Agricultural College:

The diseases which are most apt to
be introduced with potato seed are
common scab, Rhizoctonia (Black
Scurf), late blight, wilt and black
stalk. These diseases are all caused
by parasitic fungi or bacteria growing
on or within the potato tissues. Seed
treatment is of value for the control
of the first two diseases listed but
has no effect upon the others. This
is due to the fact that the organisms
which produce the former diseases
grow on or in the surface of the po-
tato while in the latter they grow
deep within the potato tubers making
it impossible to kill the parasites by
means of any fungicides without in-
juring or entirely preventing the
growth of the potatoes themselves.

The two principal solutions used for
potato seed treatment are prepared
and used as follows:

**Solution A—Formalin (Formalde-
hyde 40 per cent commercial solution)**
one pint in 30 gallons of water. Soak
seed in this solution for two hours.
**Solution B—Mercuric chloride (Cor-
rosive sublimate) one part in 1,000**
parts of water (4 ounces in 30 gal-
lons.) Soak the seed for one and
one-half to two hours. In making
this up for use the proper amount
should be carefully weighed out and
dissolved in a small quantity of hot
water in a clean wooden or porcelain
container, but never in metal contain-
ers as the solution corrodes the metal
and rapidly deteriorates. The solu-
tion may then be diluted to the re-
quired amount in a similar container
and is ready for use. A convenient
way to make up this solution is to
have the dealer from whom the mer-
curic chloride is purchased weigh it
out in small amounts to be dissolved
in a given quantity of water for the
required dilution. This substance is
very poisonous, so should be kept
away from small children or stock.

Both of these solutions lose their
strength through use or on standing,
so for best results they should not be
used more than four times. The po-
tatoes may be soaked in solutions in
such a container and after disinfection
should be dried thoroughly before
planting or before going back into
storage if the planting is not to be
done immediately. Care should be
taken not to re-infect the potatoes by
placing them back in the same bags or
containers unless they are dis-
infected. All potatoes whether they
show evidences of disease or not
should be treated before planting as
they may have been selected from
badly diseased lots and are apt to be
covered with spores which might in-
fect the new crop if left untreated.

For the prevention of different dis-
eases treat as follows:

**Common scab—Use either solution
A or B.**

**Rhizoctonia (Black Scurf)—Use so-
lution B.**

**Late Blight—Discard all tubers hav-
ing indications of the disease, as
shown by dark sunken patches on the
surface and discolored tissue below
the surface, in the form of a re-
maining with either solution A or B.**

**Wilt—Inspect the seed stock care-
fully by cutting across the stem end
of the potatoes to determine whether
or not a distinct brown or black dis-
coloration occurs in the form of an
irregular ring or as dark strands ex-
tending down into the potatoes. If
very many tubers show such discolor-
ation the whole lot should be dis-
carded as seed. Those not discarded
should be treated with either solution
A or B.**

By far the surest and most satis-
factory way to produce clean, healthy
potatoes is to plant only seed from a
healthy field rather than to try to
disinfect diseased seed. It should
also be borne in mind that clean seed
or seed treatment alone is of no
avail if the potatoes are planted on
soil that is already infected with any
of the disease-producing organisms.
Infected soil is the commonest and
most troublesome source for potato
diseases—a source that can be avoid-
ed only by rotation. Do not grow po-
tatoes two years in succession on the
same ground and plant in soil that
has not grown potatoes for at least
three or four years. Only in this way
can the production of clean, healthy
potatoes be assured.

**SHERIFF PRESENTED
WITH OLD SHACKLES**

Sheriff Edick last week received
from C. E. Fields, rancher of Cascade
Locks, a set of steel manacles, a
unique relic of pioneer days, when
horse thieves were the bad men of
the land. In 1887 Mr. Fields, then a
young man, deputy sheriff in
Multnomah county. While he was an
officer a famed horse thief, wanted
badly in several Oregon communities,
was captured in an eastern city. Mr.
Fields was delegated to go east and
return the horse thief.

"I have forgotten the name of the
man," said Mr. Fields, explaining that
he had found the old shackles in a
storeroom the other day, but he was
considered a very bad man, and the
eastern officers thought I had better
not take any chances. They armed
me with the shackles, and I brought
my prisoner across the continent with
them."

The key to the shackles have been
lost, but Sheriff Edick will have a
new set made, and the shackles are
now ready for any bad man that may
get caught in this section.

Miss Page's Wedding Near

Miss Eugenia Page, daughter of Mr.
and Mrs. Frederick Page, of 87 Euclid
avenue, Maplewood, N. J., formerly of
East Orange, has set Tuesday, June
30, as the date of her wedding to
Hoyt Metzgar, of Chicago, son of Mrs.
Mary Metzgar, of East Orange. The
ceremony will be performed at 8
o'clock at St. Agnes's Episcopal
church, East Orange, by the rector,
Rev. W. W. S. Hohenschild, and will
be followed by a reception for the im-
mediate families and intimate friends
at the home of the prospective bride's
parents, Miss Katherine Phillips, of
East Orange, to be maid of honor
and Misses Dorothy Nash, of Elm-
hurst, Long Island, a cousin of the
bride-to-be, and Mabel Nickel, of Ir-
rington, bridesmaids. Mary Elizabeth
DeGroot, of Maplewood, will be flower
girl.

During 1921 and 1922 Miss Page
was a resident of Hood River. She
was a student at the University of
Oregon and is a member of Alpha Phi
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ty, and has qualified. All persons
having claims against said estate are
hereby notified to present the same,
duly verified as by law required, to
the undersigned, at the office of J. H.
Hazellet, Fythian Building, in the City
of Hood River, in the said Hood Riv-
er County, Oregon, within six months
from the date hereof.
Dated and first published April 2,
1925.
A. K. Strassman,
Executor.

Notice of Final Settlement
In the County Court of the State of
Oregon, for Hood River County.
In the Matter of the Estate of
Elizabeth Cooper Gregory, Deceased.
Notice is hereby given that the un-
derigned has filed his final report
and accounting in the above entitled
estate, and that the Court has fixed
Saturday, the 9th day of May, 1925,
at the hour of 10:30 o'clock A. M. of
said day, at the county court room in
the City of Hood River, Oregon, as
the time and place for hearing and
settling the same.
W. L. Gregory,
Administrator.

Notice Guardian's Sale of Real Estate
In the County Court of the State of
Oregon, for Hood River County.
In the Matter of the Guardianship
of Francis B. Sandman, Paul Sand-
man, Hazel Sandman and Margaret
Sandman, Minors.
Notice is hereby given that the un-
derigned, as guardian of the above
named minors and their estate, by
virtue of an order made and entered
in the above entitled Court and cause
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from and after Saturday, the 2nd day
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