

FARRAR TALKS ON CO-OPERATIVE POTATO MARKETING

FLORIDA HAS HAD A COLD WINTER

Dr. Haines Takes Rainy Day
Off to Write Northern
Friends.

My Dear Editor:

Oftimes as I enjoy beautiful scenery and the pleasures of travel, I am thinking of my friends and wishing they could share with me. It is a rainy day and I take a little time to write. Florida letters are written at midday when the sun is shining and unpleasant things forgotten. There are not many rainy days at this time of year.

This has been a cold winter in Florida. Campers around campfires nights and mornings say, "It would be more fitting to freeze at home than in Florida."

Poliage on palm trees are frosted below Palm Beach. The crops of oranges and grape fruit are large but the market very poor. A large portion will go to Washington. The best crop of Florida, "The Tourist," is large and the price is fine.

The activity of real estate men is great. The special stress about Miami being Coral Gables and Hollywood by the sea. The most stupendous money-making schemes. Great auto busses give free trips to prospective buyers for three hundred miles hoping they will take the bait and some take the hook.

Auction sales of lots are abundant everywhere. I took the bait five years ago on three lots, but when I found this year my lots had increased three fold on the assessment roll this year, and the tax rate was 7.6 per cent. I was afraid of the hook and sold at the assessment valuation.

Most free camping grounds have become pay ones. A recent law requires auto tourists to pay special tax in Florida. There is no satisfying tax greed on everything. I have no hotel, room rent or restaurant experience.

I like my home, a house on wheels. I cannot tell just how it feels. I have a touch of wander lust. It's something like Pike's Peak or It's something like Pike's Peak or bust.

Political Manager



Mrs. Edith Longfield, of Ft. Wayne, Ind., has been selected by Mayor Shank of Indianapolis to manage his campaign for the Governorship of Indiana.

Sometimes I cannot sleep at night, I have to take my pen and write. It is the must and not my fault, it's just the same with Uncle Walt. My car for sleep is hard to beat. It's just as good a place to eat. It is the best I can afford. Tires made for me by Henry Ford.

There is little work for snow birds, and it is a bad place to be without work or money. I enjoy the warm sunshine, fruit and flowers, and a rainy day.

I do not envy the idle rich. Life is but a long vacation. To the man who loves his work, life's one everlasting effort. To shun duty to the shirk.

I feel fortunate in having a job that is worth while, in taking school helps to teachers, white and colored. I would not like to be in Florida just to see the time pass and money go, but being busy, I think I am having a good time.

If you think you are, you are. If you think you're not, you're not. The prizes we miss you know always appear. To be better than those we've got. A. D. HAINES.

LYNCH AND SMITH, ARE THE LOCAL COMMITTEE

Benefits of Co-operation in Marketing Produce.—Feeding the Market Only as it Can be Assimilated

About one hundred and fifty potato growers attended the County-wide potato meeting, held in I. O. O. F. Hall, Andover, Friday afternoon, and much enthusiasm was manifest.

W. R. Farrar, campaign manager of the Cabbage and Potato Growers Association of Rochester, was present and presented the plan and aims of the organization. It seemed to be the unanimous opinion of all present that the organization as outlined by the speaker, was a move in the right direction, and with the proper management of details would be a wonderful help to the producers.

Mr. Farrar outlined the basic trouble with the present marketing system, which he stated could not be overcome in any other way than by some sort of an organization with magnitude enough to control the greater part of the county's output.

The first and perhaps the most harmful of the difficulties was the dumping of potatoes on the market thus killing the price. He displayed to the audience a comparative chart of prices and shipments, showing very plainly the effect of overloading the market; upon the price, the so-called "flooding the market," resulting in drastic price drops, which recover very slowly, and again as soon as markets revive a little, the producers begin drawing again, and down goes the price.

A remedy for all this could only be obtained by holding the potatoes in storage and "feeding the market" gradually, so as not to overload and hold a fair price throughout the season. Last season fifty-five percent of the potatoes were dumped on the market in about three weeks.

The next trouble, which is very closely related to the first, is competition, both in the growers and the producers. New York State has many more people producing potatoes than any other section, and they all try to get their products on the market ahead of their next door neighbor, so they will be in before the price drops from the so-called dumping, which they are doing themselves.

The competition between the distributors is brot about because of the number of them in comparison to the number of potatoes. Records show 14,000 cars of potatoes handled last year by 698 middlemen, making an average of 20 cars to a man. Mr. Farrar brot out that the overhead was too great for any one man to market only twenty cars of potatoes economically.

The next factor is the lack of standard quality of the potatoes. Upstate potatoes sell on the New York market for seventy cents less per sack than Long Island potatoes. This difference in price is due largely to prejudice, upstate producing as good stock as Long Island, but in the past the grading of the upstate products has not been as careful.

The potato and cabbage campaign in New York State is proceeding steadily. Recent weather conditions have slowed up the work some but in spite of this handicap, contract signing is well under way in Cayuga, Chenango, Genesee, Madison, Ontario, Schuyler and Wayne Counties. County-wide meetings have also been held in Allegany, Livingston, Steuben and Yates.

Names of potato and cabbage growers continue to pour into the office of the General Organization Committee. The mailing list for "The Cabbage and Potato Co-

operator" is increasing rapidly. Editors, bankers and other business men are manifesting greater interest as the campaign develops. New York State potato growers will be glad to hear that the Minnesota potato campaign ended March 1st amidst a landslide of contracts. Fifty per cent. of the commercial potato acreage of Minnesota was 140,000 acres, 12,170 potato growers 160,424 acres have signed the standard marketing agreement. Three thousand contracts were received during the last ten days of the campaign.

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April 1st, 1909, she was united in marriage with Dr. C. W. O'Donnell of this village, who with two daughters, Katherine M. and Susan R. survive, also, one brother, Wilber Hine of Buffalo, A. niece, Ruth Whiston, has been a member of the O'Donnell home for several years. Seldom has it been our duty to record so unexpected a death, one which touched with sorrow so many of our people. Seemingly with us today, active in life's round of duty and love, but gone tomorrow.

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Exposes Vet Graft



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BOB ADAMS ON THE GARDEN PATCH

Prof. Adams Tells, How,
Why and When of
Gardening.

Prof. Adams, known the nation over as a humorous rhymist, spoke at the Seventh-day Baptist church at Alfred Station, Friday afternoon last upon the garden. About 70 people attended the meeting.

Prof. Adams is a very interesting speaker, but when he wants to particularly impress his audience with a point he recites one of his rhymes touching that particular thing. He is very much of a vegetarian, and in touch with the home bureau work, under whose auspices he spoke.

Some of the things he advised was not to boil your cabbage too long. When it became pink, it is ruined. If you can't boil a cabbage in half an hour, better get a new cabbage. Twenty minutes is long enough to boil cabbage.

You should eat raw cabbage three times a week, and have at least two servings of vegetables a day.

Next to raw vegetables he placed string beans. Plant the green-podded beans.

Professor Adams is not very friendly to cucumbers, and radishes are not respectable according to his ideas.

In speaking of fertilizers, Prof. Adams advised the use of stable manure at the ratio of from 20 to 30 tons per acre. But as stable manure lacked phosphates, he advised the addition of 40 to 50 pounds of phosphoric acid to the ton.

If you must use commercial fertilizers he advised the 5-10-5 or 4-8-4. Put it on at the ratio of one pound to thirty square feet mixed well with the soil.

You can sow rye before the garden is harvested, between the rows. Most gardens need lime. If you don't know, use lime, and you will make no mistake. One pound to 20 square feet. A test he recommended to find if your garden was needing lime was to plant a row of beets and if they grew well and were a good crop, your garden didn't need much lime.

Wood ashes are good garden fertilizer. Coal ashes are no good only to lighten up heavy soils.

Prof. Adams recommended "plowing deep while the sluggards sleep." He wants his garden plowed from ten to twelve inches deep unless there is a poor streak of soil that the plow would be likely to hit. Then he said he would take about an inch a year off the top of his soil and mix it with the good loam, until he could obtain at last a depth of ten inches.

Tomatoes are the only fruit we have that keeps its quality unimpaired, after canning. He thot the Early Anna, the surest croppers in this section of the state.

The speaker recommended planting your garden on paper before you put the seed in the ground.

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Arbor Day Comes Friday, April 18th, This Year

In a proclamation made public today, Dr. Frank P. Graves, Commissioner of Education, designated the days to be observed as Arbor Day in various sections of the state.

The date for the observance of Bird Day has been fixed for April 11th.

The proclamation of Commissioner Graves follows:

In accordance with the provisions of law requiring the Commissioner of Education to designate the day to be observed as Arbor Day in this State, the following dates are hereby named for the various sections of the state:

First District. Long Island and the counties of south-eastern New York, including Putnam and Dutchess, Friday April 11th.

Second District. All of the state not included in the first and third districts, Friday, April 18th.

Third District. Northern New York, including the counties of Warren, Hamilton, Herkimer, Lewis, Jefferson, St. Lawrence, Franklin, Clinton and Essex, and the Catskill region in the counties of Ulster, Delaware and Greene, Friday-April 25th.

While Arbor Day is perhaps more

Sheriff Weir Gets Deuter, Floater of Bogus Checks

After many weeks search throughout this section of the state, Harold V. Deuter, of Olean, wanted for passing many worthless checks and notes, was picked up by chief of police Bailey at Hornell, Saturday, and is now lodged in the county jail at Belmont.

Sheriff Weir and his deputies went to Hornell and brot the prisoner to Belmont Sunday, and on Monday he was taken to Angelica, charged with forging a note on the Angelica bank for \$150.00. Deuter pled guilty to

the charge and was taken back to the county jail to await the action of the grand jury.

Deuter, who is 24 years of age and of pleasing appearance, was employed by the Burrows Adding Machine Company in 1921. Later discharged from there, he used his extended acquaintance to pass many worthless checks in towns throughout this section, but was able to get away before being apprehended. "With the many other charges against him, Deuter faces a long term of imprisonment."

Income Tax Man Coming to Wellsville, Today

H. V. Bradley, an agent of the personal income tax bureau, state tax commission will March 14, open an office in Wellsville, Village Hall, to aid taxpayers required to file such returns.

Persons who filed returns previously have received blanks for their 1923 reports. These should in all instances be brot to the agent because they carry the correct spelling of the name, address and filing reference for the taxpayer. New taxpayers or employers who wish to file returns of information on payments of \$1,000 or over can secure these blanks from this branch office, which will be maintained until March 15.

Figures released by the tax commission show that in 1922 there were 970 taxpayers from Allegany County who paid a total tax of \$16,816. Of this amount, forty-nine returns were filed by residents of

Andover with a total tax payment of \$461.

Among the new changes in the state law are the increasing of personal exemptions of \$2,500 for married persons living together or single persons who are heads of families, where the net income is \$5,000 or less, and the increase in all cases of the exemption for dependents from \$200 to \$400.

It should be understood that even tho the income of a man and wife living together was only \$2,000 and the exemption permitted is \$2,500, a return is still necessary. In cases where single persons earn \$1,000 or more, returns must be filed regardless of the fact that individual is entitled to a \$2,500 exemption as head of a family.

The New York state returns are due on or before April 15, or one month later than the Federal returns.

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