

Cities Need For Grading And Packing Vegetables

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Growers and shippers of fruits and vegetables, located in the Carolinas, should keep posted as to conditions in Northern Markets, and be on the alert to cater to the needs of the trade and to the desires and whims of all classes of buyers.

Progress has been made in grading and packing, but there is plenty of room for further improvement. The fight between producing areas for favorable place in the "big markets" never ceases.

By the term "grading" is meant that operation whereby an effort is made to group together fruits or vegetables of the same variety that most nearly resemble each other as to shape, size, color, ripeness and quality. There are several reasons why grading

is such an important step in successful marketing.

Graded produce has a much more attractive appearance than a miscellaneous collection. The appeal through the eye largely determines whether or not a sale is made and also governs to a large extent the price offered. It is especially important that Southern vegetables be carefully graded, since the climate and soil conditions under which they are grown are conducive to the planting of numerous strains and varieties. In many cases crops have been so poorly trimmed and washed that these operations have had to be repeated before sales to retail stores are attempted, and all this expense is charged back to the producer. The necessity of establishing and maintaining a reputation for high-grade produce should not be overlooked.

Grades that are fully standardized and enjoy a good reputation provide a basis upon which buying and selling can be done by wire. This facilitates the better distribution of goods, since inspection is not necessary. Many cars of graded produce are sold by telephone or telegram while they are rolling.

Certain markets require No. 1 grades while others take second or third grade produce. Grading makes it possible to supply such demands.

Ungraded produce not only brings a low price in competition with graded goods, but frequently demoralizes an otherwise stable market. Careful grading prevents the expense of packing and shipping inferior produce which serves only to glut the market.

Grading provides a basis for shipping point inspection.

There are two possible classifications in considering the methods of grading and packing: (1) the place of grading, i. e., whether in the field or packing house; (2) the height of the pack, i. e., whether flat or bulge.

Much of the cabbage, beans, lettuce, beets, carrots and potatoes shipped out of the South are field graded and packed. These vegetables cannot be graded properly by the laborer in the

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WASHINGTON, June 11.—

Sharp diplomatic exchanges between our State Department and the French is taken to mean another step toward actual involvement in war. Opinion around the Capitol is that the numerous international crises are bound to come to a head shortly. Meanwhile, these ominous turns rivet Congressional attention on the time factor in defense preparations. It accounts to some degree for the unwillingness of the legislators to grant additional emergency powers to the President in bills sent up from the White House lately. The stoppage of defense production through strikes without the utilization of existing authority by the Chief Executive makes the lawmakers hesitate about granting new powers. Much of the resentment will probably disappear once Mr. Roosevelt puts existing power over labor into practice.

The action of the West Coast strikers, in particular, in deriding the efforts of the National Mediation Board to settle their differences is rubbing Congressional nerves. Feeling is running so high that many solons are openly talking of amending the Selective Service Act in regard to deferments of workers in defense industries who are within the draft age. This sentiment has cropped out in hearings regarding the Labor Department's policies in which some lawmakers express the opinion that something should be done to make these strikers and others realize that sacrifices which men drafted into the military and naval service are making while their brethren, listed as skilled workers, enjoy a 40-hour week with overtime and high wages as against the selectees' \$21.00 a month. The Army is crying for skilled mechanics for motorized divisions.

The belief that the strikers in defense industries are indispensable will shortly receive a real jolt when the War Department makes known its plan for women's employment in defense industries. The study is now being completed to show where women may adapt themselves to all different situations that may arise in expanding defense factories. Reports disclose that many women are now employed in certain processes for airplane manufacture and in other armament work. In Germany and in England about forty per cent of the workers are women.

The labor unions' defiance of government mediators is giving rise to Congressional sentiment to cloth the Labor Department conciliators with more power. Secretary Perkins has resisted this proposal on the theory that once a conciliator has rights and authority he loses his status and must take an entirely different approach to the problem of obtaining good will of both parties but should be graded in a packing house by skilled labor.

There is a decided preference shown on the markets for well trimmed and washed vegetables. In recent years especially adapted machinery has been designed to wash such crops as celery, potatoes, beets and carrots.

The packing shed need not be an expensive structure and the equipment is simple. Plenty of light and ventilation, provision for the easy and rapid movement of the produce through the house and plenty of grading bins are the chief requirements. Space for the storage and assembling of containers may be made a part of such a structure. Adequate supervision of the grading and packing is, of course, essential, but even this is not necessarily a costly service and with proper care the entire packing costs can be kept very low.

FIRE LOSS NEARS RECORD FIGURE

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importance is illustrated by the following facts: 1. The twelve southeastern States contain about 37 per cent of the country's forest land; 2. These same twelve States account for about 75 per cent of all the forest fires in the country each year, for about 85 per cent of all the forest area burned, and for about 80 per cent of all the damage done by forest fires.

North Carolina's total land area is about 31,194,000 acres, of which about 59 percent is forest land.

In 1936 about 90 percent of all the acreage burned by forest fires throughout the United States was on lands without organized fire protection. In 1937 an more recent years this figure has been about the same or slightly higher.

During the 8-year period of 1933-40, inclusive, the AVERAGE fire in State-protected counties of North Carolina burned 60 acres and did estimated damage of \$106. During the same period the AVERAGE fire in counties without State protection burned 868 acres and did damage of \$1,447 (according to the State Forest Service annual survey in those counties).

VACCINATE DOGS BEFORE JULY 1ST

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county commissioners have appointed a man for each township to see to it that all dogs in his territory are properly treated. They are as follows: Northwest: George Ganey; Town Creek, T. W. Swain; Smithville, Goley Lewis; Lockwoods Folly, S. O. Hewette; Shallotte township, Warren Milliken; Waccamaw township, Lafayette Jones.

UNLAWFUL TO KILL ANY SONG BIRDS

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tion to Agriculture (755-F); Some Common Birds Useful to the Farmer (630-F); and The European Starling in the United States (1571-F).

MORE RECKLESS DRIVERS TRIED

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\$15.00 of the amount of his fine. Daniel Long, white, was found guilty on charges of drunken driving. Sentence of four months on the roads was suspended upon payment of costs and a fine of \$50.00. His driving license was revoked for 6 months.

Agustus Hall, colored, was found guilty on charges of making an assault with a deadly weapon. Sentence of 60 days on the roads was suspended upon payment of costs and a fine of \$25.00. The fine was remitted.

Ernest Grady, colored, pleaded guilty to charges of assault and was given 30 days on the roads. Judgment was suspended upon payment of costs.

RECORD OF WHEAT CROP NECESSARY

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of 49 cents a bushel on excess wheat or by providing satisfactory removal of the overage from trade channels—before they may receive marketing cards. Unless the farmer can show his marketing card, Floyd said, the buyer or combiner will know that the wheat offered is subject to penalty.

Buyer and producer of wheat sold without marketing card will be jointly liable for payment of penalty. Action will be taken by the office of the U. S. Attorney General in Federal Court if the penalty established for the individual farm is not paid within 60 days after completion of the harvest.

If the producer shows a marketing card, however, the buyer or combiner will know that the wheat may be handled penalty-free.

Special arrangements will be made to accommodate growers who market wheat by telephone or mail, Floyd said.

Queen Robertson, colored, pleaded guilty to charges of possession. Given 4 months on the roads, judgment was suspended upon payment of costs and a fine of \$100.00.

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men who have been physically examined and place in Class 1-A. Of the total of 9,629 who applied for voluntary induction, 8,795 have actually been classified and only 6,196 have been placed in 1-A. The State has a pool of 6,193

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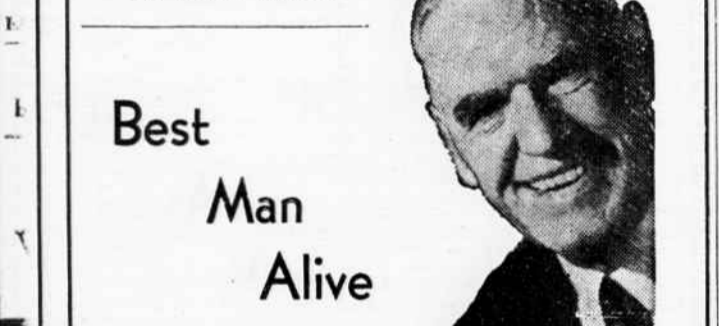
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