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THE TOMATO OUTLOOK

Prospects for 1925 Crop are Exceptionally Good

The following resolutions were unanimously adopted at a meeting of representatives of the Maryland Farm Bureau Federation held in Chestertown on March 19th for the purpose of considering the tomato crop outlook for 1925.

"Whereas, a full discussion of the many conditions and trade practices which are operating against the best interests of producers and packers of canning crops and their legitimate brokers lead the representatives of growers organizations at this time to acquaint the producers of the state with certain propaganda which has in the past and is at this time interfering with the stability of this industry by preventing a true market for their products based upon supply and demand:

"Whereas: Ciriulars letters issued by certain brokers are being sent to canners just prior to the contracting season, advising heavy and early sales of futures at prices below which early business wes taken at, causing a group of poorly financed canners to have a 'brain storm' and fall for such propaganda and sell futures at their prices. Such propaganda and sales at a low basis stagnates the 'spot' and 'future' markets which is evident today and plays into the hands of the speculators and is against the best interests of growers, canners and wholesalers who have booked early business. This is another illustration where certain brokers are living 'off of' rather than 'by and through' any constructive service they render to the industry.

As an illustration we quote from three letters of John S. McDaniel & Co. of Easton, Md., signed. John S. McDaniel, Pres., which have been read before this meeting and which contain certain paragraphs that should bc condemned as prejudicial to the best interests of the farmer and canners of this state.

We quote from the McDaniel Co. letter of March 14th, 1925 and addressed to canners as follows:

"There are just two things of paramount importance to the tomato canners this year. One is to keep down the cost of canning including the cost of raw stock, and the other is to sell as early as possible a large volumn of futures. The latter one may be of vital importance."

From their letter of March 6th.: "During the week there has been increasing evidence of the willingness of farmers generally to contract for tomatoes at 25 cents per basket. One does not hear so much about this as they do about farmers in certain sections holding out for higher price yet these sections are small as compared with the whole Maryland and Delaware tomato packing territory."

"Tomatoes, if properly cultivated, are an excellent crop for farmers at 25 cents per basket. At this price there should be enough planted to make a pack that will entirely supply the demand at the present basis of future prices, which is 60 cents for 1's 90 cents for 2's, $1.30 for 3's and $4.25 for 10's. and to possibly create a surplus if future prices should advance."

It is also important to note that the attitude of farmers has greatly changed in the last two months. One hears little now about the high prices demanded by farmers and it is recognized fact that in a great many sections where farmers talked of requiring a high contract price, canners have actually contracted at 25 cents per basket."

Therefore, be it resolved: That the representatives of the growers organizations here assembled, hereby advise the farmers of the state that the information supplied by their investigators and the information taken from the Canning Trade journals show that the great bulk of futures have been sold at 95 cents for 2's and $1.85 for 3's with some outlying counties shading to 92½ cents and $1.32½. Some sales may have been made at propaganda prices by canners who are financed and controlled by brokers and commission houses and therefore not in control of their own business and are a detriment to the industry and are poor credit risks for the farmers."

"That the propaganda/ method of avoiding an over production by forcing upon the farmers a low contract price in order to limit production should not be tolerated by farmers. Over production should be prevented by a limit of tomato acreage at the contract price for the different localities which will afford a fair profit to the farmers. This can be accomplished by growing no tomatoes on the open market and confining the acreage to that which can be contracted for at a fair price."

"That, due to farming conditions, a uniform contract price for the whole state is impractical. Fertilizer, seed and plants cost about the same in all sections of the state with a slight freight differentials, but the price of labor varies a great deal in different sections and at $1.50 per day is 41% of the total cost per acre. Therefore, as the cost of production is higher this year than last, especially so with fertilizer, farmers should receive a higher contract price per ton in order to insure a reasonable profit."

"That we recommend to the farmers of the state to avoid the possibility of an over production of tomatoes by greater diversification of crops, there by protecting the industry and establizing the market."

"That, from such acreage as they may contract, to be very particular to deliver tomatoes in good condition, that the canners who may contract at a fair price may be able to pack a quality of fruit which will tend to bring back the former reputation for Maryland Packed Tomatoes, and to faithfully carry out their contracts as to delivery and not to exceed the acreage so contracted.

"Be it further resolved: That reports received from all the counties do not bear out the propaganda statements as issued by certain brokers but on the contrary the great majority of the reports received indicate contracts at prices decidedly above those mentioned.

That, as a growers organization, we recognize the many difficulties of the legitimate canners; we wish to co-operate with them in every performance for the protection of the industry and court conferences at all times for the benefit of the industry. We believe that most of our canners wish to deal with the farmers fairly. We wish to extend every co-operation to such canners so that the growers and canners will receive a fair and reasonable profit for the labor and capital involved in producing and manufacturing the crop."

"That we particularly urge careful attention to the securing of plants from good seed, preferagly from Community Plant Beds, proper fertilization and culture so as to increase our average yield and reduce per unit costs as fundamental towards insuring a fair return from the crop.

"Be it further resolved; that copies of this preamble and resolutions be given to the press, mailed to the growers and copies sent to the Delaware Farm Bureau, the New Jersey Farm Bureau, the Tri-State Packers Association and the Baltimore Canned Goods Exchange."

Sports of the Week

Baseball Season Near At Hand
—Fox Hunters Are Active—
Other Sporting Notes

The baseball season at Washington College opens on April 14 at Chestertown, with Fairfield Farms A. A.

Coach Kibler is having his team out every afternoon these warm spring days and there is more than the usual interest in baseball on College Hill. The prospects are fairly bright for a good team this year.

Fox hunting is the chief sport among Kent's farmers during the idle months. This sport is traditional and has come down from one generation to another, dating back for a great many years. There is no doubt about it, there are some of the finest packs of hounds in Kent that can be found anywhere in the country and some of the most daring riders.

Fox hunting in this section has been stimulated somewhat by the fact that Mr. Harvey Brice, having moved in this section, now ranges with the hunters that live in this neighborhood. Mr. Brice has a fine pack of hounds, rides well and is a lover of the sport. Messrs. Wm. French and William Toulson are also good hunters and have five facks of hounds. Mr. Lee Robinson, of Chestertown, also keeps a fine pack of hounds and follows this sport.

Here's one from Granttand Rice that is right up to the minute:

Here comes the ancient melody in,
Echoing long and loud;
When a foul tip socks the umpire's shin,
Hark to the merriment and the din,
Out of the cheering crowd;
There's nothing that brings on greater glee
Than a foul tip cracking the umpire's knee.

H. A. Goff, of Chestertown, star pitcher for the Massey Athletic Association for the past two seasons, has signed with Frank Baker's Eastern farmers for a try-out in the Eastern Shore League during the coming season.

Washington College has its frist track team this year and Coach Kibler has appointed Dr. Randolph Faries as coach of the cinder-path artists. The first meet in which a representative team of the institution will take part will be the Penn relays in Philadelphia on April 25, where a mile-relay quartet will represent the Eastern Shoremen. Dr. Fairies has had experience as a mentor elsewhere. While at Germantown High, in Philadelphia, he coached a team which won every relay race, every dual meet and every field meet in which it was entered for a period of two years. Candidates for the team has been parcticing steadyly and the material looks good. The track has been completely renovattd and it is planned to hold several large meets there this spring. On April 3 the first tryouts will be held and the mile-relay and substitutes will be selected. The following are in training: W. Schnauffer, Loviesky, Norris, Buchanon, Hirlenbrand, Crouse, Bennett, Gardner, Rayne, Hopkins, Cavanaugh, P. Donaghay, Timmons and Purnell. Meets scheduled here are the interclass relays and an interclass field meet during the week of April 27 and the fourth annual interscholastic track and field meet May 16. Early in June the American Legion will hold a meet here, in which the Washington runners will be represented by a full team.

STILL POND

Miss Catherine Nicholson and Mr. Andrew Moore spent Sunday in Baltimore.

Mihs Clara Medders spent this week at her home here.

Miss Lucille Parr spent this week with her brother in Baltimore.

The Ladies Aid Society will meet next Wednesday afternoon April 1st., at the home of Mrs. Ella Pennington. A good attendance is desired, as there is important business.

Rev. and Mrs. Earl Shockley are attending the Annual Conference in Wilmington , Del. Their return for another year is hoped for.

Mrs. Oliver Nicholson spent last week-end with her mother at Ingleside, Md.

Miss Mabel Norris is hpending this week-end with her aunt, Mrs. Arthur Allston in Wilmington, Del.

Miss Anna Bramble went to the Easton Hospital last Sunday where she was operated on for appendicitis. She is getting along nicely.

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