Italian Tomato Is Foe To Shore Canning Industry

At a meeting of the canners of Caroline county held at the Brick Hotel, Denton, Wednesday, Frank M. Shook, the newly appointed Field Secretary of the Tri-State Packers' Association, was present and explained the duties of the Field Secretary and some of the activities hoped to be carried on by his office. At present time the canners are very much exercised over the tremendous increase in the importation of Italian tomatoes. The tariff on tomatoes has been reduced twice recently; the last time being in 1922, when it was lowered to 15 per cent ad valorem. Since this reduction imports have jumped by leaps and bounds.

The year the last reduction was made, which was in 1922, the imports were approximately 300,000 cases. This increase in 1923 to 624,000 cases; in 1924 to 1,100,000 cases and in 1925 to the enormous total of 1,833,000 cases based on 24 No. 3 size cans to the case.

On a basis of No. 2 size cans which many of the Italian Imports consist, the importation of Italian tomatoes for the year 1925 would be equivalent to 2,933,075 cases, of 24 cans, 20 ounces each, or more than the entire pack of the States of Delaware and New Jersey of all sizes for the year 1925. A committee of the packers of the Tri-States have recently returned from Washington where they interviewed their Congressmen and Senators relative to an increased tariff on tomatoes. It appears that Congress is in no mood to take up the tariff question and they held out absolutely no hope of relief by a general or special tariff bill at this time.

It appears that the only relief in sight is to apply to the Tariff Commission which has authority to investigate costs and, if they find a higher rate justifiable, they can recommend to the President an increase in rates up to 50 per cent of the present rate. In order to get the Tariff Commission to consider the proposition it is necessary that the farmers and canners submit the labor costs of producing the raw product as well as the labor costs of handling and canning the product.

The Association at this time is endeavoring to get this information and is urging the Tariff Commission to take speedy action as, if imports continue to increase at the present rate, the packing of tomatoes in this section will be seriously threatened. It appears that the Italian tomatoes are a very fine article and are readily taken by the trade in this country, which, with their low production cost and the fact that their currency is much depreciated, sets up a form of competition which is very dangerous and which all must combine to try to overcome if possible.

The importation of tomatoes from Italy practically all enter the Eastern Seaboard and come into direct competition with the goods of the growers and packers of this territory.

Ten years ago very few tomatoes were grown in Missouri and Arkansas but in the last two ar three years these States have developed into a large tomato canning center and goods from this territory are being shipped to Texas and other points, and this is taking the trade that formerly came to our section. The loss of this trade and the loss occasioned by the importation of foreign packed goods amounts to a total of such proportions that the canners and growers in this section must give it serious consideration.

In addition to the competition above referred to, the New York Journal of Commerce under date of February 17, 1926, reported 79 carloads of fresh tomatoes received at the port of New York during the week beginning February 8th, from Mexico, Florida, Cuba and Nassua.

The result of the situation at present is that there is a large surplus of canned tomatoes on hand and packers offering to sell at less than cost to produce the goods does not move them.

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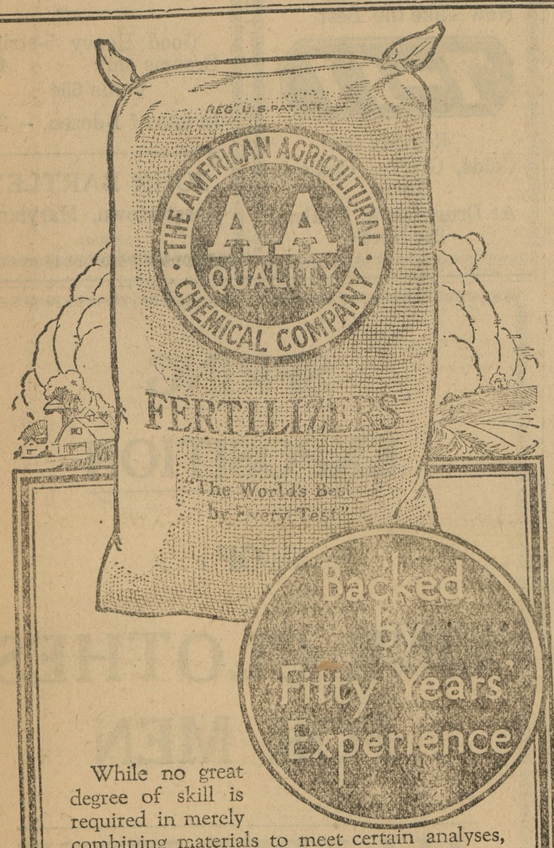

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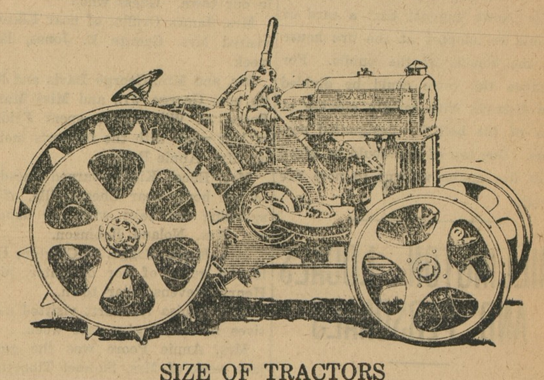

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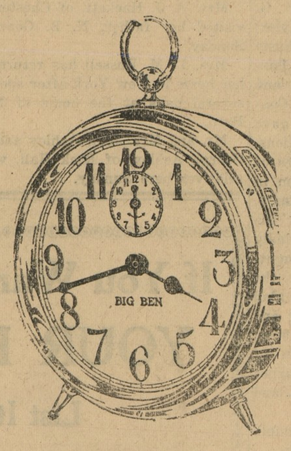

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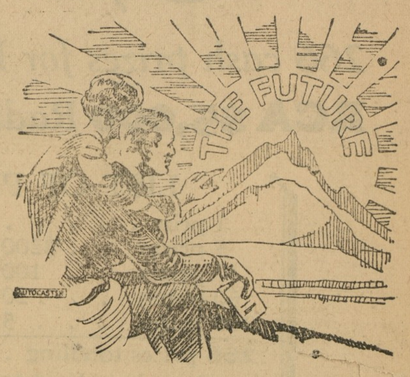

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