

AGRICULTURAL INTERESTS

SPURRING ON POTATOES.
Bring the seed potatoes to the light and give them a warm place if you wish an early crop and a big yield. Experiment stations all over the country seem to agree that sprouting potatoes before planting not only hastens the ripening of the crop but it increases the yield materially.
They must be sprouted in the light and the sprouts will be green and stocky. The white, anemic, lanky sprouts of the dark cellar have just the opposite

tendency. Expert potato growers have trays in which to lay the tubers while they sprout before cutting them up for planting purposes, and they carry them gently and in small quantities to the rows so that the sturdy sprouts may not be broken off in transit or in planting.
The sprouts developed in the light will not be more than a half inch long and roots will start to develop at their base, ready to get to work as soon as they come in contact with the soil. It is a fine way to get the jump on the season

and have the potatoes going before it is warm enough to plant them safely. There is no vegetable that shows so directly the result of care and culture as the potato. Culture makes the difference between yields of 85 and 90 bushels per acre and 300 or even 400 which are not uncommon in Europe, while as high as 800 bushels have been grown on trial acres. Europe is far ahead of the United States in the potato growing industry. They cultivate intensively, the English average being 198 bushels and the German 187. An average American potato grower's eyes would bulge out at any such yield.
Care in selecting seed potatoes is one of the most necessary factors in a suc-

cessful crop and care should be taken to avoid those with pointed ends. Plant deeply, four or five inches is none too much in light soil, and see that the depth is the real depth. The depth of a furrow with soil thrown up on either side is deceptive. The depth should be measured from the soil level.
The potato needs rich, heavily fertilized soil. It needs as much soil attention as any garden crop, and it is in this respect that the gardener often fails and the reason that American potato growers do not get as heavy yields as foreign gardeners who lavish great care in preparing the soil, both as to fertilizer and tillage.

With a running start, the plant is better able to withstand the early attacks of insects and can be sprayed readily or dusted with some of the common insecticides for the purpose.
The cucumber needs a light soil and if the soil is heavy it should be lightened by mixing in sifted ashes or sand. It also likes a couple of forkfuls of manure buried beneath it to furnish fertility and hold moisture, for with its liking for light soil it also likes moisture, a combination hard to arrange in the ordinary garden.
Grated plants that the cucumber flourishes and escapes the ravages of insects which an industrious gardener should be able to control, it often fails to produce cucumbers. In most cases a precocious infant is to blame. Often the first blossoms will produce a fruit far in advance of the others. The strength of the plant is thrown to this solitary "cuke" and the rest fail to get a start. If a precocious cucumber appears before there are any further signs of fruit forming, pick it off.

THE HERB GARDEN.

A GARDEN OF FLAVORS

There is no more practical use for a tiny patch of ground than to make of it a herb garden. The herbs which are so small to gladden the soul. The great secret of foreign cookery and a department in which the American cook is often lacking in flavoring, particularly for sauces. The French or Italian chef uses quantities of herbs, dried or fresh, to add taste or zest to a vegetable which has no very pronounced flavor of its own.
Stuffing for fowls is dependent for its palatableness upon the herbs which flavor it. Three or four herbs enter into some of the dressings an accomplished chef will turn out.
Only a few plants are needed of each herb. It is a great convenience to have them handy in the kitchen, for when they are needed they are needed badly. A fresh home-grown supply is worth double the dried product obtainable from the grocery store.

Sweet basil, a favorite of French cooks for soups, stews, dressings and sauces, marjoram, used for the same purposes; thyme, often used in combination with basil and marjoram or alone or with sage; and dill, used for pickles, are some of the herbs which are most commonly used to cook with green peas or to make into jelly (no longer for jellies, but as a hair dye). Fresh string beans, sage, and the inevitable herb of the Thanksgiving turkey, and if worse comes to worse, asible as a hair dye. Annual lavender, the dried blossoms of which make scent bags to be placed among the linen for the dainty fresh fragrance it imparts; a few plants of dill for the pickles; all these in a small space may be grown readily, and all except the thyme may be dried and put away in cans, boxes or paper sacks and some home-selves merely cut under the whole plant and hang it to dry, protecting it from dust.
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THE PRECOCCIOUS CUCUMBER.
Many gardeners complain of having no luck growing cucumbers. It must be admitted that the life history of the cucumber is a very peculiar one. It is subject to more kinds of bugs, blights

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RAISING GERSE.
To keep a record of their eggs and hatching, the web of the feet of the newly hatched goslings should be punched. Hens with goings may be confined to the coop at the cooling allowed to range. In mild weather the hens are allowed to brood the goslings for from

1 to 10 days, when the latter are able to take care of themselves. It is very necessary to keep the water fresh and dry, so they are usually kept confined in the morning until the dew is dried off, and they should not be allowed to get into water until partly feathered. This occurs when they are from 2 to 4 weeks old, depending on the weather and their range. Goslings caught and apparently "drowned" in a cold pool may sometimes be revived by dipping in flannel near a fire.

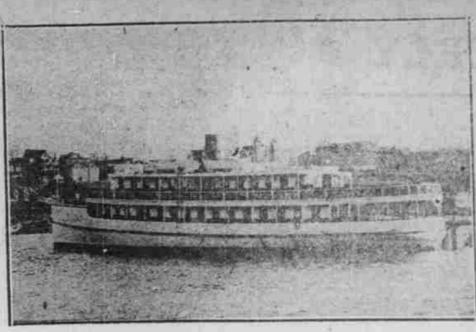
Good-sized growing coops with board floors should be provided for the goslings, which must be protected from their enemies. When on range, the young birds need some attention, as they get lost of caught in post holes and odd corners. Young goslings, if confined, should be given moist grass yards and the eggs moved frequently to fresh grass. It is better to keep the growing goslings separate from the old stock. Shade should be provided in hot weather. If very young goslings are allowed to run with old animals, they are apt to be injured or killed.

GROWING TOMATOES.

Tomato plants should be set out three to five feet apart, in rows four to six feet across, depending, of course, on the variety. The trees tomatoes may be set closer together than the vining sorts.
The tomato may be planted on almost every kind of soil, but will do best on that which is light, warm and not over rich. Avoid the use of fresh manure the same year the tomatoes are grown. It has a tendency to foster root disease. As with potatoes, the soil should be graded deep, and a good mulch prepared. Set the plants to about one-third their height, and leave a basin around the base. This should be filled with water, and covered level the next day. It is best to set a shingle beside the plant, or provide other shade, for a few days, to protect it from sunburn.
When the plants have fairly started, they need but little care. Keep up an even supply of moisture in the soil. If it is soaked one week, and left to dry out the next, the result will be cracked, in the fruit, blight, blossom end rot, and other diseases. Do not cultivate close to the roots. The commercial grower usually draws furrows about 12 inches away from the plant on each side, for the first heavy irrigation, and then draws further away for each subsequent irrigation, keeping space with the growth of the vines. When the vines are in heavy bloom, stop watering them, for the blossoms may fall.

Our steamer, already chartered for the purpose, is the Nelasco II, which you will doubtless recall as having made regular trips between Norwich and Block Island from June 26th, 1921 to September 6th, inclusive.
This is a direct result of numerous requests from Norwich and Block Island business men, who have given us to understand that such a service would be appreciated and patronized.

CELEBRATE 81ST BIRTHDAY
Friends and relatives of John Kelley of 137 Summit street celebrated his 81st birthday Sunday at his home with a pleasant gathering. A beautiful supper was served by his daughter, Miss Mary A. Kelley. A feature of the occasion was a large birthday cake brought from New London by his granddaughter, Miss Mary Kelley.
Mr. Kelley enjoys vigorous health in spite of his years and is able to follow his employment at the United States Fishery Co., where he has worked for the last thirty years.
Among those present to congratulate him on his birthday were Thomas J. Kelley and Ernest C. Middleton of New London, Mrs. Margaret Butler, Mrs. George Kelley, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Sullivan, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Roberts, and Miss Mary Kelley.
The McKinley Avenue A. M. E. Zion church, annual fair recently held at the church, building proved very successful. Mrs. Mary Bloves, the president of the fair committee, expressed gratitude for the various gifts provided by members of the church and others and for the splendid support given the committee during the three day event.



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The proposed plan to establish daily steamer service between Norwich, New London and Block Island this summer has received the support of the Norwich Chamber of Commerce. The steamer which will be put on the line, if it is established, will be the Nelasco II, in regard to the plan under way the Norwich Chamber of Commerce has received the following communication from H. Momm, of New London, one of the several partners in the enterprise:
"Relative to an interview between your secretary and our Captain Quarry, we wish to call the attention of your chamber to the fact that we are completing plans to establish a daily steamer service between Norwich, New London and Block Island from June 26th, 1921 to September 6th, inclusive.
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The forty fourth session of the Board of Health closed Tuesday morning with a brief session at seven-thirty o'clock, presided over by Dr. Nicholas Fairbank, chairman of the subcommittee, assisted by Dr. Charles W. Whanna, pastor of the church. The children received in procession, presenting the Sacred Host, which was carried by Rev. Father Feculino, the choir singing Pange Lingua, forming an impressive close to the devotion. The lighted candles, flowering plants and string flowers about the altar, and in the sanctuary were most effective during the devotion, especially in the evening. There was a large attendance and many communions were received. During the forty hours there were many visiting priests.

Next Sunday at the eight-thirty o'clock mass, a large number of children will receive their first holy communion. Beginning Tuesday afternoon, continuing this (Wednesday) afternoon and again on Friday afternoon, at the close of school the children are receiving their instructions.

Friday evening, at seven-thirty (instead of the missionary and social committee of the First Congregational Young People's Christian Endeavor society is to give a public social in the church which all Endeavorers and their friends will be privileged to attend. All this is to be a missionary social, the programme will include a short mission play and other interesting features, illustrating different phases of life in some of the foreign countries.

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