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A Personal Letter to Wisconsin Potato Growers

There has never been a time in the history of commercial potato growing in Wisconsin when attention has been so well directed to the development of the industry as now. The single fact of a production of approximately 30,000,000 bushels indicates the magnitude of the potato industry in this state. However, there are problems of development concerning which averages of yields and acreage is of little value.

During the past ten years the Wisconsin Experiment Station has established and developed a plan of field extension work which has involved close co-operation with practical growers and affiliated commercial interests. The Wisconsin Potato Growers Association is an outgrowth of this movement. The work of the Association is affiliated in interest and method with all the agencies which are active in the agricultural development of the state.

The executive committee desires to say to Wisconsin growers that the subject matter here submitted has received careful attention. The plans of the Association have the endorsement of practical and successful men connected with all commercial phases of the industry.

Again the committee after careful investigation, desires to call attention to the fact that this work has assumed important national relationship. Many important commercial sections of the United States are concerned with problems which threaten the industry. Wisconsin may well feel fortunate in the extent of its available undeveloped resources.

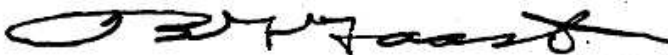
The markets of the middle west demand attention to improved commercial standards. Wisconsin will be prepared to meet this demand through effective state leadership and the committee commends therefore to every progressive grower a consideration of the work of the Association accomplished during 1913, and attention to the work proposed for the coming year.

Respectfully submitted,

Madison, Wis., April, 1914.



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ASSOCIATION WORK IN OUTLINE.

The subject matter in this bulletin, submitted by a widely representative group of successful men, embodies essentially a discussion of every important phase of Association work. A summary outline upon important phases of potato improvement work in Wisconsin is given as a preface to this discussion.

I. Community Organization is the most important phase of Association work. As this bulletin goes to press the secretary is receiving constant reports from potato sections announcing complete organization in the interests of community improvement here stated.

II. Pure Seed Growing on a community basis is under steady development in Wisconsin and is receiving direction from this Association.

Potato Seed Dissemination has become organized on a systematic basis. One standard market variety will be adopted in commercial potato centers in 1914. The co-operation of growers and affiliated commercial interests has been completed in order to secure foundation stock.

Sorting and Grading on the field and at loading stations will be given better attention in communities where uniform stock is handled.

Potato Field Inspection to establish satisfaction and a guarantee that field stock is: 1. Pure. 2. Free from Disease will be inaugurated in 1914.

The Wisconsin Potato Seed Industry will develop rapidly as a result of a systematic effort to establish the above guarantee.

Restriction of Acreage in accordance with ability to maintain correct cultural conditions and practice will be recommended to growers. Good Seed,—Fertile Potato Soil,—Intensive Cultivation—are essential to Type, Quality—and Uniformity in potato shipments.

Organization. The constitution of the Wisconsin Potato Growers Association provides that the regular staff member of the Wisconsin College of Agriculture in charge of potato extension shall serve as the regular secretary of this Association. The work here reported is therefore affiliated in interest and organization with the Horticultural Department of the University.

Secretary.