

rough condition, and this has been taken into consideration when the rules were made.

Size of Gardens:—Gardens entered for the competition are to be 1000 square feet in area. In other words, they should be 50 x 20, 40 x 25, 30 x 33½, or any other shape that will give the required area. Potatoes are excluded from the general garden but may be grown alongside, and, if possible a special prize or prizes will be given based on the same points as for the general garden. There is no restriction as to size of plot in the case of potatoes.

Times of Judging:—The gardens will be visited six times by the judge, or judges, once before any work is done and then once a month in May, June, July, August and September.

Score of Points:—Each month, after the first visit, there will be a possible maximum of the following points, a total of 500 points for the season. At the first visit the points for difficulties (to be) overcome will be the only ones considered, full notes being taken on the condition of the land. A score will be made at the second visit from the notes taken at the first and from the improvements that have been made.

Quantity and Value of Vegetables	20 points
Quality of Vegetables	20 "
Assortment of Vegetables	20 "
Difficulties overcome	20 "
Cleanness and neatness	20 "
	100 "

Quantity and Value:—The quantity of vegetables grown will be decided both from the observations made by the judge, and by a signed statement from the householder showing how much of each kind of vege-

table was gathered and the approximate value of the same.

Quality:—By quality is meant condition of development and uniformity, and any other factor that affects the value of the product, except that of palatability, for the judge will not be expected to test the eating quality of the vegetables.

Assortment:—By assortment is meant the number of kinds of vegetables grown. There should be a fair proportion of each kind.

Difficulties overcome:—The judge will take into consideration the difficulties which each competitor faces when beginning his garden operations. If one competitor has many difficulties to overcome he will receive a high score under this head, but another competitor with fewer difficulties will get compensation in other ways.

Cleanness and Order:—Freedom from weeds, insects, and diseases, good cultivation and straight lines come under this head, or in other words, the general appearance of the garden will be considered.

HOW TO GET INFORMATION IN REGARD TO VEGETABLE GARDENING

The judge, or judges, will furnish pamphlets free giving information on the best varieties of vegetables to plant, the general preparation of the soil, a suggested arrangement of vegetables in the garden (which need not necessarily be followed), directions for controlling injurious insects and diseases, and cultural directions for the different kinds of vegetables. It is expected also that information not covered by the pamphlets will be cheerfully supplied by the committee.

PRIZES: 1st, 2nd, 3rd, or more.