

CONTEST 2—POTATO GROWING

The contest in potato growing will be work with a well-known and desirable variety.

The potato originated in America and has grown to be one of the most important of food plants. The potato is eaten the world over more than any other crop except rice. It is grown very extensively now as a garden vegetable, as a truck crop, and in many sections of the country as a valuable field crop. Although the potato is adapted to a wide territory, certain varieties are best suited to particular climates and soils. Hence in selecting varieties special attention will be given to locality and soil texture.

Rules for Potato Growing Contest

1. Every member of each local branch of the Club will be supplied with ten pounds of a desirable variety of pure bred potatoes.

2. All potatoes must be planted and instructions must be followed as closely as possible.

3. Notes must be kept as outlined in paragraph on "note book," from which a composition of not more than two hundred words is to be prepared, giving the history of growing the crop. Credit will be given for this composition in placing the awards at the School Fair.

4. From the note book each member must prepare a financial statement showing value of time expended in growing the crop. Rates are specified on page 4

5. The composition and financial statement must be mailed to the Director, Manitoba Boys and Girls Club, Manitoba Agricultural College, Winnipeg, at least two weeks previous to the Fall School Fair.

6. Each member must exhibit at the School Fair, one bushel of selected potatoes from the crop grown.

7. The "marketable" must be separated from the "unmarketable" potatoes and each weighed, and weight of each recorded in the financial statement.

8. The following score card will be used in placing the awards:—

	Total Score	Student's Score
1. Value on basis of yield	35	
2. Quality as shown by exhibit of one bushel	35	
3. Written history of growing the crop (Not more than 200 words	15	
4. Financial statement showing value of labor expended in growing the crop.	15	