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## HARVESTING AND STORING FEED CORN.

### How Every Corn Grower May Grow, Select and Care For Seed Corn Which Will Increase His Yield From Twenty to One Hundred Per Cent.

Investigations show that a lack of care in the harvesting and storing of seed corn has resulted in a loss of vitality and consequently has been given to the plant a poor seed corn has resulted from a lack of care in the harvesting and storing. The little attention has been given to these points by seedsmen and corn growers, and the result is that the corn grows suffer an enormous loss each year. The loss this year to the farmers of any one State from this source alone will amount to many thousands of dollars.

Corn should be harvested before it is thoroughly mature. It should be picked when the milk is still in the ears. The plant food intended for it, and consequently has the vitality weakened. When gathered before it is fully matured the seed is difficult to preserve. When dried in a warm place it is liable to sprout, and unless there is a good circulation of air it will become heated and mouldy. During the average season, heavy frosts may be expected during the last part of October and early part of November. At this time the corn on the stalk contains a high per cent. of moisture and a few degrees of frost will injure the vitality. Therefore, the best time to gather seed corn is when it is thoroughly matured and before the heavy frosts.

The methods of selecting seed corn from the load at the crib, from the crib after harvest, or in the spring are objectionable. Such practices as these do not allow a

break over and hang with the tip downward. For the reasons that ears so located are inconvenient to harvest, have low vitality and low producing power, they should never be selected for seed. Perhaps there is no way in which corn is injured more than through improper storing. Corn as it comes from the field contains a high per cent. of moisture, and if it is subjected to a high or low temperature will be materially injured. Too many people overlook this fact, and the result is that we have large quantities of seed corn with low vitality. The most critical time in the handling of seed corn is the first month after it has been picked. Owing to the large amount of moisture contained by the corn at the time of harvest it is necessary to store it in a dry, well ventilated place and in such a way that each ear will be exposed to a free circulation of air. Seed corn should always be stored in the ear, but never in barrels, boxes or sacks, or above large quantities of grain. A satisfactory method and one adopted by many farmers is to tie eight or ten ears in a string with binding twine, and hang them in an open shed where the sun will not shine on them, but where the air can circulate freely about them. Another plan is to tie the ears together in pairs and hang them over a wire. It must be kept in a temperature above the freezing point until thoroughly dry.—Progressive Farmer and Cotton Plant.

When seed corn is selected in the field the parent stalk can be studied. Experiments have shown this to be a very important part in the production of high-grade corn. The stalks from which seed ears are selected should be of medium size, strong at the base, tapering gradually to the tassel, and should have a large leaf development, as the leaf is the laboratory of the plant. The stalk should also stand erect and be free from smut and insect attacks. Stalks with suckers are objectionable. Always select ears of good size and quality which have straight rows of regular sized kernels and which most nearly represent the type desired. These ears should be at a convenient height of 4 1/2 to 5 feet on the stalk and should be attached to the stalk by a shank medium in length and strength. The ear when it is selected should

## JAMESTOWN EXPOSITION NOTES.

### Some Of the Many Attractions To Be Seen There.

The lover of tobacco will find at the Jamestown Exposition the finest and most elaborate exhibit of his favorite weed ever attempted. Tobacco from plant to mouth will be shown in every phase of its preparation together with machinery and methods used in its manufacture into smoking and plug; cigars and cigarettes.

The grounds of the Jamestown Exposition front two and one-half miles on Hampton Roads and one mile of this frontage will be one of the finest bathing beaches on the Atlantic coast. Sea bathing will be one of the real delights of the exposition visitor. Nothing is more refreshing.

The gates of the Jamestown Exposition will be closed on Sunday. This will give visitors an opportunity to visit the surrounding resorts and other side trip attractions at the big show.

The parade ground at the Jamestown Exposition will be the largest in the world. Among the War Path attractions at the Jamestown Exposition will be an historically correct reproduction of the original settlement at Jamestown as it was three hundred years ago.

The new annex for women at the State Hospital for the insane at Raleigh has been completed. There are 100 beds for patients and all the rooms will soon be taken.

Mr. Bun Nelson, one of the finest tobacco raisers of the Buckle State, was here Saturday.

## MR. AND MRS. SAVAGE COMING HOME.

### Have Been In Faraway, Cold Alaska--Items and Personal Concerning People You Know.

Mr. A. D. Dodd is reported sick at his home at Francisco.

You can do your sweetheart, relative or friend no greater honor than to vote for her to go to Jamestown.

Mr. Cleveland Mabe, a son of the late J. Thomas Mabe, who died a few weeks ago, was in town Saturday.

Messrs. J. W. Simmons, Jno. D. Smith and Eric Shelton, students at school here, have returned to their respective homes.

Misses Phebe and Roxie Tilley left Saturday for their home at Westfield after spending two weeks in Prof. Smith's school.

Mr. and Mrs. N. A. Martin returned Friday from a visit to Greensboro and Pilot Mt. They took in the Fair at the Gate City while away.

Superintendent Smith conducted an examination for public school teachers here Thursday and Friday. A large number of teachers were present.

Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Savage, who have been living at Nome, Alaska, for several years, are enroute to their former home in Stokes county. They are relatives of Register of Deeds C. M. Jones.

This is said to be the coldest October on record. Snow at Roanoke and many other places last week broke the record. Ice formed to a depth of an eighth of an inch here on Thursday night.

## A Coon Hunt.

A party consisting of Lum Booth, A. W. Davis, Raleigh Young and Raleigh Stewart went on a coon hunt Thursday night. They struck a trail near Hanging Rock and followed it about 30 miles, going by way of Moore's Knob, Stomping Ground, Cascade, Devil's Den, Tory Den, Vade Mecum, and other places, but found no game. At one point they discovered tracks which, being reported later to Mr. Luther Young, are pronounced to be those of two deer that have come down out of the Chestnut Ridges to spend the winter in our mountains. The cry of a wild beast in one of the dark hollows, which Mr. Luther Young says was that of a catamount, induced the hunters to come in a little earlier than they intended, but they brought home a small possum.

Dr. W. V. McCanless is the attending physician.

Public Sale!

On the 1st day of November, 1906, I will sell to the highest bidder for cash the following personal property to-wit:

Two horses, four hogs, one two-horse Nissen wagon, one top buggy, one carriage, one set buggy harness, wagon harness, carriage harness, farming tools of all kinds. Sale at 10 o'clock, A. M.

NAT BOWLES.

# Ho, For Jamestown, 1907

## Danbury Reporter's Second Great Annual Voting Contest

### THREE YOUNG LADIES TO BE SENT TO THE WORLD'S FAIR WITH RAILROAD FARE, ADMISSION TICKETS AND ALL EXPENSES PAID

## The Opportunity That Comes But Once In a Lifetime

### VOTING BEGINS TODAY. CONTEST TO CLOSE DECEMBER 31, 1906.

The Reporter takes great pleasure today in launching its Great Second Annual Voting Contest. Our voting contest of last year was very successful, adding hundreds of new subscriptions to our ranks. This year we have decided to conduct the contest on a much larger scale, and propose to send the three young ladies who receive the highest votes on a 7-days visit to the Great World's Fair at Jamestown, which opens in April, and closes in November. The railroad fare, admission tickets and expenses of the party from the time when they leave home until they return will be paid by this paper. Those who vote so lucky as to be elected will be named by the readers of the Reporter.

The conditions governing the contest are as follows: Every person who pays money on subscription to the Reporter will be allowed to vote for the lady of his choice, as follows: For \$1 20 votes; for \$2 10 votes; for \$5 5 votes. The contest will not be confined to Stokes, but any lady reader of the Reporter of Stokes, Surry, Rockingham, Forsyth or Patrick will be eligible.

### IT COSTS NOTHING TO VOTE.

Remember that it costs nothing to vote. You are going to pay your subscription anyhow, and the privilege is given you to vote for whom you please when you pay. You can pay in advance as many years as you desire, or can send the paper to as many of your relatives as you desire, every subscription you pay for counting for votes in the proportion mentioned above. The ballots cast will be deposited in a ballot box kept in the Reporter office, and in order to insure the most absolute fairness, a duplicate of every vote cast will be kept on a book with corresponding date and number. The result of the voting will be printed in the Reporter every week in order that the friends of the candidates may keep up with the situation.

### THE TRIP TO JAMESTOWN.

This trip to Jamestown will be something to be desired by everybody. The United States is spending millions of dollars to represent the nation's resources there. Every State in the Union and every country in the world will be represented. President Roosevelt, King Edward of England, the Emperor of Germany and all the crowned heads of Europe will be present. All the most magnificent creations of the genius of man will there be represented—architecture, painting, statuary, etc. The wonders of science will make the exposition ground one grand, gorgeous fairland. There will be stupendous displays of electric brilliancy; sham battles between splendid fleets of warships, etc., etc. To attempt to enumerate the sights to be seen at the great World's Fair is folly. To spend seven days on the grounds will be worth a liberal education to anyone. And the three fortunate young ladies who go, with all expenses paid, will be fortunate indeed.

The contest will close on the last day of the year 1906, and the three young ladies who have received the highest votes will be furnished with round trip tickets from their nearest railway station. They may go either in a body or separately, as may best suit them. The Fair will remain open from April to November. Their traveling expenses and board while at the Fair will also be paid.

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