

CLEVER ACTORS TO PRESENT ONE-ACT DRAMAS

Popular Union young people who are to present "Daddy" and "Graft" for benefit of Union firemen.



MORE BEANS.

[National Crop Improvement Service.] A farmer in Hubbard Co., Minn., planted twenty acres of beans from which he received 377 bushels, selling them in the field for \$1.185. This is not the highest record.

The Michigan men and the Colorado men and, in fact, all states are turning to beans with a great deal of success.

There are three main principles to be observed in the control of weeds. They are: first, preventing the weeds from going to seed on the farm, second, preventing the weed seeds being brought to the farm, and third, in the case of perennials, starting out the underground parts by preventing them from making top growth.

VALUE OF STRAW.

[National Crop Improvement Service.] Don't burn that straw stack. You might just as well burn up dollar bills. In addition to returning actual fertilizing elements to the soil, it adds a large quantity of immensely valuable humus, if carefully spread over the fields.

AMOUNT OF SEED CORN.

[National Crop Improvement Service.] From twelve to fifteen ears of seed corn are required to plant an acre. All corn should be germinated right now in order to test its vitality and you should throw out every weak ear you can find. It will not pay you to plant poor corn this year.

STILL TIME TO SOW BARLEY

[National Crop Improvement Service.] The sowing time of barley should be done later than that of oats or spring wheat as an early spring frost is more detrimental to young barley than to other small cereals. The season is usually a week later in Canada barley is sown up into June, but that is not advocated in this country. Still, the second or third week in May will probably be safe this year.

A drill or broadcast seeder is commonly used and the barley is sown at the rate of 1 1/2 to 2 bushels to the acre. Where it is desirable to seed the land down to clover and timothy, 1 to 1 1/2 bushels of seed barley as a nurse crop is sufficient.

TREAT SEED POTATOES

The Prevalence of Scab on the High-Priced Seed Potatoes This Year Makes it Imperative That They Be Treated With Chemicals Before Planting.

[National Crop Improvement Service.] While the operation of treating is comparatively simple, close attention must be given to the direction and details followed absolutely. Your carelessness may mean ruin of the potatoes or danger to children or stock. Simply—Be Careful.

According to your conditions and equipment, the seed potatoes may be treated in crates; loose in barrels or in sacks. Treatment must be done before the potatoes are cut or sprouted.

The commonest method is to mix one pint of formaldehyde (be sure it is full strength) with thirty gallons of water. Soak the seed stock in this solution for two hours, just before you are ready to start cutting. This solution may be re-used two or three times, if no time is lost between batches. One of the easiest ways is to place the solution in a barrel and place a sackful of potatoes in it at a time.

Corrosive sublimate is an excellent chemical to use, and will kill rhizoctonia as well as scab, but it is a deadly poison and must be kept where children or stock will not get it. All vessels used with this material should be carefully cleaned afterwards. If you prefer this, use four ounces of corrosive sublimate to thirty gallons of water, and soak the potatoes for an hour and a half. The powdered chemical should first be dissolved in hot water and then added to the main solution. Do not use metal vessels. After treating, the potatoes should be promptly washed in clean water until all traces of the solution are gone, and they should be carefully dried, the sooner the better.

It only takes a little time and very little money to treat all your seed potatoes by either method, and it pays big in larger yields of better potatoes, free from disease.

Profit in First-Class Seed Corn.

[National Crop Improvement Service.] I have been able to raise 30 bushels of choice seed corn on an acre seed plot. For this seed I received an average of \$3.50 per bushel, which makes a return of \$105 for this seed alone, in addition to 40 or 50-odd bushels left for feeding purposes.

I have black loam soil that has always been in the highest state of fertility. I apply a heavy coat of stable manure in the fall, plow the field early in the spring, disk four times and harrow until a firm seed bed is obtained. For seed, I used eighteen of the choicest, highest testing seed ears which I could secure.

On May 21st I planted, checking corn into hills forty-two inches each way. At this time I drilled in 450 pounds per acre of a high-grade fertilizer. The corn was given the very best of care, and as a result of this intensive cultivation and the balanced plant-food ration, it matured by the 15th of September, at which time I picked the seed corn and put it on drying racks in a heated drying house so as to be in first-class condition for buyers.—Heiron J. Black, Burlington, Wis.

PROPER SEEDS

There is Still a Fair Supply Quickly Available.

[National Crop Improvement Service.] A great many of our farmers will not plant their full acreage this year on account of a supposed shortage of seeds. We are informed by the wholesale seedsmen in the country and the various experiment stations in the states, that there is still a moderate supply of pedigreed barley and certain kinds of corn on hand for quick shipment.

Potato is going to be the hardest seed to obtain. However, in most instances, potatoes can go in last. The advantage of a state Potato Growers' Association was never more apparent than now.

OUR PLATFORM.

[National Crop Improvement Service.] The four fundamentals following are being taught where grain is a factor: First.—Establishment of one variety of each kind of seed best adapted to soil and climate.

Second.—The fanning and grading to obtain a uniform seed, free from trash, immature grain and weed seeds.

Third.—Treatment of grain diseases by use of formaldehyde, etc.

Fourth.—Testing for vitality of all seeds with the assistance of the school children of the community.

WHISKERS-ON BARLEY.

[National Crop Improvement Service.] Considerable complaint has been made in the past on account of the obnoxious character of the beards of barley during harvesting and subsequent handling. This objection has been largely removed since the introduction of the blinder, self feeder attachments to threshing machines and self straw stackers. There is little danger in using the straw for feeding or bedding for stock.

FARMING COMMUNITY QUESTION.

[National Crop Improvement Service.] Far be it from us to urge the farmers to do anything more than they are already doing, but in case any of our farmers are prevented from planting their maximum acreage through the lack of money, labor, power or seeds, it is a public question and we ought to help them solve it immediately.

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