

Home-Grown Seed Not Regarded As Worth Saving

Many gardeners ask if it pays to save home-grown vegetable seed. The answer is generally no, says J. Roland Parker, County Agriculture Agent.

Home-grown seed is not likely to be as pure a varietal strain as the seed you buy. Unless the garden contains only one variety of each vegetable and is separated by at least a quarter of a mile from other gardens or seed-producing fields, cross pollination in some vegetables will cause the varieties to be "mixed."

Seed from last year's garden may carry disease to infect the new crop. Seed borne diseases may occur in cabbage, cauliflower, Brussels sprouts, broccoli, collards, kale, kohlrabi, mustard, radishes, turnips, beans, peas, cucumbers, muskmelons, watermelons, tomatoes, peppers, eggplant, celery and carrots.

Few homes have facilities for adequately drying and storing seed. For good germination, most seeds need to be kept in a dry, cool, insect and rodent proof place.

Certain vegetables such as beets, chard, Brussels sprouts, cabbage, carrots, kale, onion, parsley, and turnips require storage of the plants or roots over winter to produce seed. The home gardener rarely has facilities necessary to do this successfully.

For these reasons and because the home gardener needs only small amounts of seed of any given kind or variety, Parker advises most gardeners to buy the garden seed fresh each year.

Number Tattooing On Babies Opposed By Federal Bureau

By JANE EADS
WASHINGTON—The U. S. Office of Vital Statistics wants to make clear that it does NOT favor tattooing numbers on all babies born in this country after January 1, 1949. It seems a lot of folks got that idea, and other ideas just as out-of-this-world, when the office backed a proposal for standardizing the numbering of birth certificates in the states.

The standardization project was generally agreed upon by state registrars of vital statistics in a "work conference" sponsored by the statistics office here in March. The idea is merely to make the registration of all births in the United States "simpler, more positive and cheaper" by a standard method adopted by all the states. There would not be a central federal file of birth registrations, and the project if carried through depends entirely on the states' adoption of the system.

Montana and the District of Columbia have already voiced approval of the idea and other states

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are following suit, says Herbert P. Dunning, acting chief of the Office of Vital Statistics. He says that although there are approximately 3,750,000 births in the United States annually, it would take more than a generation to get an appreciable portion of the population included in the newly-numbered group. If the project goes through it will be done this way with three groups of figures printed on each birth certificate.

1. The first serial will consist of three figures indicating the registration area in which a child is born. The first figure will be the numeral 1, which will stand for United States. The second number, or second and third number, will represent the state, territory or city. (Canada uses a similar system. Its serial numbers start with "2". If other nations join the system they will use "3", "4", etc.)

2. The second serial will consist of two digits, indicating the year of birth—'49—'50—'51 and so on. Births are already filed and indexed by year in most registration offices throughout the country. 3. The third serial will list six digits, indicating whether the registration lists the first, fourth, eighth, or ninth, 998th

certificate to be filed in that state within the year.

Mr. Dunning says that most people will accumulate from five to 25 numbers in a lifetime anyway—Social Security numbers, numbers on driver's licenses, insurance policies, bank accounts and charge accounts.

Lettermen Banquet Guests of Girls League

Roseburg High School lettermen, who comprise the R Club, were honored at a banquet sponsored by the Girls' League Tuesday night in the school gymnasium.

Nearly 100 members, faculty, guests and members of the Girls' Athletic Association were in attendance.

Talks were given by Bob Feldcamp, R Club president, and Coaches Cecil H. Sherwood, George Erickson and Jack Newby. Miss Danese Doak sang, "I'll See You in My Dreams." Miss Nancy McKinney was toastmistress, and Miss Nancy Lehman, Girls' League president, was also in attendance. The program was under the direction of Miss Melva Williamson, faculty adviser.

Gas Tax Refunds In Oregon in 1947 Set New Record

Oregon gasoline tax refunds in 1947 totaled \$2,707,794.73, an all-time high, Secretary of State Newberry reports. Under the law, the tax must be paid originally by all purchasers, but tax-exempt or non-highway users are repaid the full amount, he explained.

The refunds were 12.59 per cent of a gross tax of \$21,511,631.07, Newberry said. They topped those of 1946 by more than \$550,000, while receipts increased nearly \$3,000,000. Sales for the year exceeded 430,000,000 gallons.

Agricultural users claimed refunds of \$1,288,949, nearly half the total. The lumber industry accounted for nearly one-quarter with \$614,909. Cities and counties shared \$148,987, and aviation came in for \$266,539 to greatly increase its share over preceding years.

Marine and commercial users, mail carriers, the federal government, exports, and the state institutions divided the balance, Newberry said. Number of claims was 35,719, averaging \$75.82.

Recapitulating the figures from February 25, 1919, when the first

gasoline tax was collected, to December 31, 1947, the secretary pointed to total sales for the period of nearly 5,300,000,000 gallons. Taxes on this amount have reached \$235,344,714, with refunds of slightly more than \$28,000,000. As of January 31, 1948, a total of \$205,064,907.75 had been transferred to the State Highway Fund, exclusive beneficiary of the state gasoline levy.

Tree May Indicate Metal Underneath

DENVER—By examining a tree, the geologist of the future may be able to tell definitely whether deposits of copper, zinc and other metals lie underground.

Progress made by the University of British Columbia in research along this line was reported by Prof. H. V. Warren before the national convention of the Society of Exploration Geophysicists.

"Our investigation shows," he said, "that the zinc and copper content of some trees and lesser plants may reflect, to a striking extent, the presence of zinc and copper under the ground."

"We have proved conclusively the biogeochemistry has real pos-

sibilities in metal prospecting."

When the project was started three years ago, Warren said "we faced a lot of laughing from practical mining men. A sure sign of our progress is the fact that the mining companies of British Columbia now show 'benevolent tolerance' toward us."

But when it comes to putting up money for continued research, he added, this "tolerance" changes into a stone wall. However, he said, much financial and technical help has been given by the United States.

"From the results of our experiments so far, we feel that it will be possible to present both prospector and geologist with a new and useful tool," he said.

Boy Scouts to Attend Swim Class at Eugene

Boy Scouts from Douglas County will go to Eugene Friday for their second swimming class at the University of Oregon. They are to meet at the Roseburg Junior High School at 5 p. m., and the trip will be made by bus.

A Boy Scout court of honor is scheduled for 7:30 p. m. next Monday night. It will be held outside in the Kiwanis park if the weather permits. Otherwise it will be held in the courthouse.

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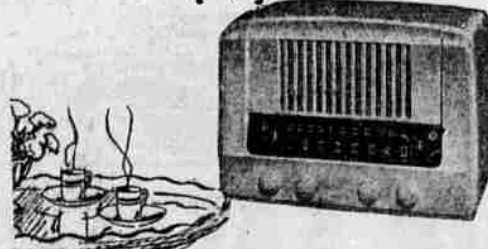
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