

# FEVER AT HEIGHT

But It's Just the Garden Kind That Is Raging. Many School Children Expect to Make Spending Money.

## THEY WILL SELL PRODUCE

Some Suggestions as to How and What to Plant.

## Government Expert Tells How to Grow Vegetables.

The garden fever is now at its height in the case of thousands of Topekans—school children who will compete in the home garden contests, and grown-ups too. Never in the history of the city has the interest in gardening been so keen.

There are many enterprising school children who are expecting to earn anywhere from five to more than one hundred dollars this season through the sale of vegetables. Experience has taught those who have been in the school garden contests for the last two or three years that it is the early vegetables that bring the best prices, or the vegetables out of season. These youngsters have got an early start

tween the rows of celery to make use of the space up to time for bleaching. Succession of Sweet Corn. Sweet corn should be planted on rich land and cultivated as field corn. Plant the seed as soon as the soil is warm in the spring, and make successive plantings every two or three weeks until late summer. The same results can be obtained to some extent by planting early, medium and late varieties. Plant the seeds about 2 inches deep in drills 3 feet apart, and thin to a single stalk every 10 to 14 inches.

The soil for cucumbers should be rich, and it is a good plan to apply well-rotted manure under the rows or hills. If planted in rows, the furrow and scatter the manure along the furrow, turning fresh soil over the manure before planting the seeds. If the seeds are planted in hills, confine the application of manure to the area occupied by the hills. As cucumbers are easily injured by cold, it is not advisable to plant until all danger of frost is over and the ground has begun to warm up.

**Egg Plant.** The plants for this crop should be started in a hotbed or in a box in the house for about two months before time for planting in the field. The plants should be started in the field until after all danger of frost has passed and the ground has become quite warm. Set the plants with 18 to 24 inches apart in rows 3 feet apart, and in clean, shallow cultivation to keep the plants growing rapidly. A dozen good, healthy plants will supply enough fruit for the average-sized family throughout the season.

**Lettuce Thrives in Cool Weather.** Lettuce thrives best during cool weather, so it should be planted in the

grown for greens and should be found in every home garden. Sow in drills 12 to 15 inches apart.

**Tomatoes Should Be Staked.** Tomato plants should be set in the open as soon as danger of frost has passed. If the plants are to be pruned to one or two stems and tied to stakes, they should be set 18 inches apart in rows three feet apart. If the plants are not pruned or staked, they may be planted three feet apart in rows four feet apart.

**Turnips.** The turnip should be grown both as a spring and as a fall crop. For the spring crop, plant as early as the condition of the soil will permit, and for the fall crop sow the seed in late summer or early autumn. Sow the seed thickly in rows 15 to 18 inches apart, and as the plants reach a height of four or five inches, begin thinning, using the young plants for greens. (Editor's Note.—This is the tenth of a series of articles published in The State Journal.)

### SAME HUSBAND 57 YEARS. Cloud County Couple Celebrate Their Wedding Anniversary.

Concordia, Kan., April 17.—April fourteenth, marked the fifty-seventh year of happy married life for two of Cloud county's most honored settlers. They are Mr. and Mrs. Lester Heaton, who live on the south side of Concordia on the Parallel road. This couple have lived in Kansas since March, 1863, and moved here from Cass county, Mich., to take up a homestead. The Yuma postoffice is now located. They lived on that property until 1882 when they moved to the land they now occupy along the Parallel road. Mr. and Mrs. Heaton are both seventy-five years old and they have raised four children, who have likewise grown up in the respect of the community. No party was held yesterday to celebrate the wedding anniversary, but all was happiness and cheer and reminiscence in the Heaton home.

### CAUGHT A BURGLAR.

#### Six Women Hold Him Down Until Aid Comes.

Atchison, Kan., April 17.—Mrs. William Pitts, Mrs. Fannie Wilmer, Mrs. Harry Keene, Mrs. Davis, wife of Dr. Davis, Miss Bessie Thomas, and Mrs. Fannie Turpin, of East Atchison, have to their credit the capture of a real professional burglar. The man was captured in the broad open daylight, too.

While those women were talking on the street at Atchison, a traveling man took Governor Capper's grip with him to Leavenworth. In making the trip from Topeka to Leavenworth a traveling man took Governor Capper's grip with him to Leavenworth. The traveling man discovered his mistake soon after reaching Kansas City, when he found that he had Governor Capper's instead of his own called the banquet was in progress and told him of it.

### TRADED GRIPS WITH CAPPER. Traveling Man Made Mistake—Took Governor's Grip on Train.

Leavenworth, Kan., April 17.—Governor Arthur Capper left for Topeka on the early Santa Fe train Wednesday morning. He expressed himself as highly pleased with his visit here and the pleasure he had in meeting Leavenworth business and professional men. While here the governor had an automobile ride to Fort Leavenworth and he was impressed with the beauty of the place.

### WOULD BE W. R. C. PRESIDENT. Larned Newspaper Woman Announces Candidacy for National Position.

Washington, D. C., April 17.—Mrs. Isabel Worrell Ball, of Larned, Kan., has announced herself as a candidate for the office of president of the national organization of the Women's Relief Corps, which will be convened here next fall.

### GIVEN NAVAL POSITION. Atchison Boy Appointed to Annapolis Naval Academy.

Atchison, Kan., April 17.—Forest Wilson, of Atchison, who has been studying in the army cadet school at Fort Leavenworth since the first of the year, yesterday was appointed to the United States Naval academy at Annapolis by Congressman C. B. Anthony. Mr. Anthony telegraphed the appointment to Secretary of the Navy, Daniels yesterday.

### WANTS ARMY HORSES. Manhattan Man Has Contract for 500 for Artillery.

The following advertisement appeared in one of the Manhattan daily papers of a recent date. The animals are to be sent across the water for the use of one of the warring countries:

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### BIG LIGHT AT JETMORE. Install 100-Watt Lamp on Top of Water Tower.

Jetmore, April 17.—In addition to the street lamps which were installed on the streets of Jetmore last fall, there is now added a 100-watt light placed on top of the large water tower, which was recently built. The light can be seen a number of miles from town.

### ET TU, WICHITA. Subscribers Tie Cloths Over Phone Receivers to Keep Dust From Flying.

Wichita, Kan., April 17.—The telephone joke which has been tried out several times in other cities has made its debut here. The other city that a subscriber, usually non-friend, and after a few minutes himself as an official of the telephone company, in an authoritative tone asks the subscriber to place a cloth over the telephone transmitter and receiver to keep the house

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Gardeners Living on the North Side May Grow Luscious Melons Like These This Season.

with their onions, radishes and other hardy vegetables and expect to find ready sale for their products. When and what to plant are questions that are worrying many of those who are inexperienced in gardening. For the benefit of such persons suggestions prepared by the United States department of agriculture will prove of valuable. Following is useful information furnished by the government experts:

**Asparagus in Garden.** Asparagus should be grown in every home garden where it will thrive, because it is one of the earliest vegetables and is a valuable addition to the spring diet. For asparagus, the seeds should be made quite rich by the application of partly rotted manure before the plants are set. As soon as danger from hard frosts is over, the seeds of asparagus may be sown in the rows where the plants are to remain. Soaking the seed in hot water for an hour or two before planting will hasten germination. No weeds should be removed the first year.

**Beans Are Tender.** Beans will not withstand much cold, so they should not be planted until danger of frost is past and the ground begins to warm up. The first planting should be made as soon as the ground is reasonably warm, and other plantings may be made at intervals of ten days or two weeks until hot weather sets in.

**Beets can be planted as soon as danger of frost has passed, even before the ground has become warm.** Sow the seeds in drills 14 to 18 inches apart, covering to the depth of about 1 inch. As soon as the plants are well up, thin them to stand 3 to 4 inches apart. Make two or three plantings, so as to have a continuous supply of young, tender beets throughout the season.

**Cabbage will withstand a hard freeze if the plants have been hardened off before they are planted in the field.**

**How to Grow Celery.** Celery requires a deep, rich, moist soil and frequent shallow cultivation. When grown as a fall crop celery may be planted after some other crop, such as peas, beans, cabbage, lettuce or radishes. When the celery plants are nearly grown a little soil should be drawn around the base to hold the plants in place. About two weeks before they are wanted for the table the bleaching should begin. Soil, boards, or paper may be used for bleaching, but soil should be employed only when the weather is cool. When soil is to be used for bleaching, the rows should be 4 feet apart. Some quick-maturing crop could be grown be-

spring and autumn. In order that the leaves or head may be crisp, the crop should be forced and successive plantings made ten days or two weeks apart.

When grown in the garden the seeds should be sown in rows 14 to 16 inches apart and the plants thinned to the desired distance. The heading type should be thinned to stand 8 inches apart in the row, but with the loose-leaf type the plants may be grown close together and thinned as needed for the table.

**Okra, or Gumbo.** Sow seeds of okra in the open after danger of frost is over and the soil becomes quite warm. The rows should be 3 to 4 feet apart for dwarf varieties and 4 to 5 feet for the tall kinds. Sow the seed a few inches apart in the row and thin the plants to 18 inches to 2 feet apart. Give frequent shallow cultivation until the plants are nearly grown.

**Various Vegetables.** For very early bunch onions it is the common practice to plant sets in drills 12 to 14 inches apart and 2 to 3 inches apart in the row. For dry onions, sow the seed thickly in drills about 12 to 14 inches apart.

**Parsley is used mainly for garnishing meats, but can be used for flavoring soups and other foods.** Parsley seed thickly in a drill or sow broadcast and cover lightly, either in autumn or early spring. A space a yard square will be sufficient for parsley.

**Sow parsnip seed in the spring as soon as danger of hard frosts is over.** Thin the plants to stand 3 inches apart in the rows. The cultivation of parsnips should be about the same as for beets and carrots. A crop may be planted in the late summer for winter use, and the roots may be left in the ground through the winter or until needed, as freezing is believed to improve the flavor of parsnips.

**Garden peas, sometimes called English peas, are not injured by light frosts, so should be planted as soon as the soil can be put in order in the spring.** The first plantings should be of small-growing, quick-maturing varieties, such as Alaska, First and Best, and Gradus, which do not require supports. These varieties should be followed by the large wrinkled type of peas, such as Champion of England, Telephone and Prize Taker.

**A small area of early potatoes should be grown in the garden, but the main crop should be grown elsewhere.** Early potatoes should be planted as soon as the ground can be prepared to good advantage.

**The radish is quite hardy.** Sow in drills 12 to 15 inches apart and thin to one inch apart.

**Salsify or vegetable oyster seed may be handled in the same manner as the parsnip and carrot seed.** Spinach is one of the best crops

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**W. O. W. TO BUILD HOME.** Lawrence, Kan., April 17.—Before adjournment the Woodmen convention voted to assess each member in the state 25 cents annually for the purpose of buying a home for superannuated members, including Royal Neighbors, and for orphans of members. It is estimated that such assessment will raise \$2,500 annually. The purpose is to buy and equip as a home an eighty-acre tract, if possible located contiguous to some of the best small cities of the state.

### TAKES NEW POSITION. Junction City Instructor Appointed Superintendent at Tonganoxie.

Junction City, Kan., April 17.—Professor Vernon Landis, who has been principal of the city high school, has received word that he has been elected superintendent of the schools at Tonganoxie.

### \$100,000 FOR FRIENDS. Campaign to Increase Endowment to \$350,000—Build New Gym.

Wichita, Kan., April 17.—An aggressive policy has been adopted at Friends University to make it one of the strongest, largest endowed and best equipped educational institutions in the southwest. A campaign to add \$100,000 to the present \$250,000 endowment will be started at once. A

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