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## A Lesson to Texas Farmers That Louisiana Farmers Should Learn.

Careful experimentation and investigation covering a period of ten or fifteen years has satisfactorily proven that Texas grown seed produced in the neighborhood where it is to be planted is the safest, best and most productive that can be used.

As almost every one knows the silk on the cob where the silk is formed is simply a hollow tube leading to the cob and cannot produce a grain of corn unless it is fertilized by the pollen or fine dust that falls in great profusion from the ripening tassel. If conditions are favorable for crop growing and the stalk that bears the ear is well bred and vigorous and the stalk that bears the pollen is its equal or superior in these desirable qualities, then great ears and full plump grains are the happy result. But if either party to this union lacks in these qualifications then the results are not satisfactory.

Every corn grower can greatly increase his next year's yield by a careful system of cultivation and selection from his own crop this season. It is very harmful to allow positive inbreeding with corn, that is, to allow the pollen from the tassel of the given stalk to fertilize the silk on the ear of the same stalk. To prevent this, choose a few acres of the very best of your corn where all conditions are favorable, good stand, good growth, etc. Mark off, say thirty rows, about the center of this good patch seventy steps long and pull off the tassel from every weak or inferior stalk in the first row to prevent pollen from these runty stalks from fertilizing the silk of your strong stalks and thus dwarfing the corn. In fact, it would pay big to go over the entire corn field and pull out the tassels of every feeble stalk. Thin the corn in row number two to one good stalk to the hill, three feet apart, absolutely destroying all weak stalks in this row and detasseling or pulling out the tassel from all of the stalks.

As the even rows in this patch are to be your seed producers every stalk must be a good one. Treat row number three and all other rows of odd number as you did number one and treat all other rows of even number as you did number two. To be sure that no mistakes are made watch the corn closely for five or eight days after the first tassel appears, as some of it may tassel earlier than the balance. See that these few acres are carefully and frequently cultivated, aim as near as possible to keep the top soil for about one-and-a-half inches deep, well pulverized practically all the time until the grains are hard on the cob.

When this corn is ready to gather, pull and keep for seed the best ears on the strong stalks in the even rows where the tassels have all been pulled, as these ears will have been cross fertilized, that is, fertilized from the pollen not of their own but of their strong neighbor-stalks.

In gathering these ears for seed it will pay to give preference to the goose-necked, ears, that is, those that have bowed their heads. The fact that they have turned over instead of standing upright indicates, in the first place, that they are heavy ears and in the second place that their shanks are comparatively weak. It is desirable of course to perpetuate the heaviest ears, and it is also desirable to perpetuate the tendency of the ear to turn down when it ripens,

as this insures perfect protection of the grain by the shuck from the rain that would otherwise run into the ear and to some extent damage it.

Hang this corn in a dark, dry place to preserve it carefully for next season's planting. Repeat this breeding process from year to year, and this alone, other conditions being equal, will add twenty-five to forty per cent to the value of your corn crop. Try it.

HENRY EXALL,  
Pres. Texas Industrial Congress.

### Tribute to Louisiana.

Louisiana is a centenarian. On April 30, last Monday, she celebrated her one hundredth anniversary as a State.

The history of the section is full of color and picturesque interest. The French settled at New Orleans in 1718, but the cast of political dice in Europe threw the territory under Spanish ownership some years later; and then a reversal of the dice threw it back to France. It was thus that the United States found it when Jefferson came to the presidency—mixed in its racial elements, and jealous of our use of the Mississippi and of our trade depots in New Orleans.

Jefferson saw the complications that must follow, the ceaseless bickering that must mark all intercourse between us and New Orleans unless we owned it. The first plan was to buy the city alone as a trade market and port of entry. But Jefferson was quick to see that this would not settle the question of river navigation, and that it would leave the town as a constant invitation to the spirit of adjacent lawlessness.

The thing to do was to buy out all French interests in the south, and extend the control of the United States as far as French rule then held away. Jefferson realized not only the desirability but the absolute necessity of this, and so, with the assistance of Robert Livingston, our minister to France, and James Monroe, made special envoy to help with the plan, what is known in history as the "Louisiana Purchase" was negotiated and consummated, the United States paying Napoleon \$15,000,000 for the tract out of which was later carved nine States.

This purchase was the red letter in Jefferson's administration; setting out to buy a city, he bought territory enough for another nation. The whole country stood amazed at the transaction, and his enemies sought vainly to make political capital of his act, declaring the purchase to be "unconstitutional." Mr. Jefferson's frank admission that it was without "constitutional warrant," and his request that congress make everything legal by proper ratification, silenced his opponents, while the public at large applauded his act and his frankness.

This happened one hundred years ago, or in 1803, and was commemorated by the St. Louis exposition.

It was not until 1811, eight years after its purchase, that Louisiana was permitted to write a constitution and apply for statehood. In 1812 the statehood was granted and another star was added to the rapidly increasing number on the national flag.

Since that time the history of the section has been an integral part of the national annals. In spite of the French and Spanish blood tinges, the people are Americans, deeply imbued with the American spirit and loyalty.

In 1815 the battle of New Orleans made the city a world cynosure. During the civil war it was the scene of some thrilling episodes and occurrences.

When the bill ratifying the purchase of the province went to congress, only twenty-five votes were cast against it, and all of those by Mr. Jefferson's political and personal enemies. Every year that has gone to the rounding out of Louisiana centennial as a State has been a vivid vindication of this greatest of Jefferson's policies.

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## The United States has the Biggest Battleship in the World.

Newport News, Va., May 18.—The battleship Texas, greatest of the super-dreadnoughts yet constructed for the United States navy, was successfully launched here to-day. As the big hull, gay with bunting started down the ways, little Miss Claudia Lyon, daughter of Col. Cecil A. Lyon, republican national committeeman from Texas, crashed a bottle of champagne against the bow. There was cheering and the scream of steam whistles and sirens as the vessel gained momentum and finally plunged into the green waters of the James river.

In the Texas the American navy has the biggest and most powerful battleship the world has ever seen. She carries ten 14-inch guns, arranged in five turrets, and her secondary battery consists of sixteen 5-inch rapid firing rifles, a heavier armament than that of the biggest British battleships, which carry 13½-inch guns, with a much lighter secondary battery. The Texas is also the fastest battleship in the world by several miles an hour, and has the heaviest and most approved armor of any fighting craft ever built.

### This is for Men Only.

If it is a lady who has this issue of our paper in hand she will confer a favor by handing it over to her husband, father or brother at this very point, and retire to the next room while he reads this article.

Thanks! And now we have to say to our men readers, that the women must be saved—saved from themselves. The State board of health of Colorado has made a thorough investigation and diagnosis. There were 433 cases of smallpox in Colorado in 1908, 1,906 in 1910, and 1,394 in 1911. The increase is due to the growing popularity of "rats," "Janes," pin-on-curls and other species of false hair. This sort of hair, largely imported from China where smallpox has been very prevalent, began to be stylish in 1910. Note the increase in smallpox over 1908. The use became general in 1911. Note the corresponding increase in 1910. Here you have it! The women are simply wearing smallpox on their heads. Everytime you yield up a dollar for a rat or a Jane, you imperil the life of your wife or your daughter. Moreover, she may spread the disease to you. How are you going to save her from herself? Oh, don't ask us. It ill becomes us to tell any man how to start anything in his own home. Every man to his taste, and the Lord keep your taste on straight! But you can see that you have got to get rid of the smallpox hair, even if you have to eat it, can't you?—Sioux City Daily News.

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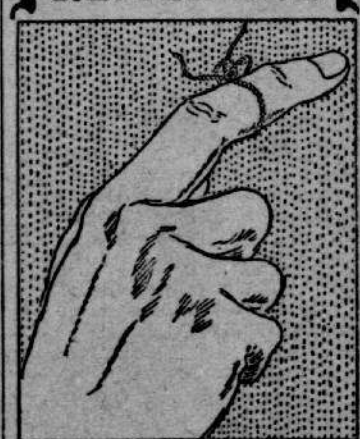
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