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LATEST NEWS!

Harvest Garden Crops When Ripe For Best Results

One of the skills of a good gardener is the ability to harvest crops at just the right time, declares Jack Rose, Michigan state college extension specialist in home gardening, in offering some suggestions on harvesting.

Here are some of the general rules he suggests gardeners follow:

Harvest garden produce just as near the time it is to be used as possible and keep it cool until ready for use. Sweet corn, for example, steadily loses sweetness and flavor the longer it is held after picking. Pick sweet corn when it is in the milk stage—when a little pressure from a fingernail will cause white milky juice to squirt from the kernels. This stage is about the time most of the silks have turned brown, but the husks are still green.

Harvest mature root crops when the proper size, and remove tops as they are harvested. Tops only cause the roots to dry out and lose quality faster. Leave parsnips and salsify in the ground until after the first few frosts to improve their quality. Cut broccoli buds before any yellow flower color begins to appear. Broccoli should be a solid green color at harvest. Use kohlrabi while still young and tender.

Remove stems from tomatoes as they are picked and less punctured fruit will result.

Avoid injury to squash and pumpkins at harvest to reduce spoilage in storage. Cut the stems, leaving them about an inch long.

Pick cantaloupe when the stems separate readily from the fruit. Tap the finger on the surface of the watermelon. A dead, solid sound means it is ready. A somewhat hollow, drum-like thud means the inside is red ripe and ready to eat. To check the thumping method, try peeling away with the finger nail just a little green surface. If it separates readily, the melon is ripe.

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Men in Service

Editor's Note—Men in the armed forces, and parents, are invited to send photos of the boys' whereabouts and activities, service men scattered about the country, are hungry for news of their friends. From the address of a newly-placed inducted man is of interest.

Promoted to Corporal

Malein E. Ross, son of Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm Ross, 878 Chester, of the Army Air Corps, has just been made a corporal. He has been in the Air Corps about a year and a half, and is now stationed with the 1st Reconnaissance Squadron at Okinawa, which is now engaged in aerial photographic mapping of the hitherto uncharted areas in the Western Pacific and the Orient.

Out of Marine Corps

Corporal James Scheerhorn, son of Mr. and Mrs. Marty Scheerhorn, 555 Stanley avenue, has received his Marine discharge, and is now at home with his parents. He has been in the Marine Corps for three years, spending half that time overseas at the time of the invasion of Iwo Jima. He was trained as an aerial gunner at the Navy school in North Carolina.

Ens. Wright Home

Ensign Newell Wright, son of Mr. and Mrs. Shelton Wright, 248 Apple, has received his discharge from the Navy. Newell spent three years in the Navy, and received his commission in December, 1945. He was stationed at Guam, and was the only Navy man from the Marine island. He acted as personnel officer.

John Gilbert Back

John Hoyt Gilbert, S. I. C. son of Mr. and Mrs. H. Hoyt Gilbert, 836 Mohagan, who has been in the Navy for 14 months, is now at home, discharged. He was trained for radar work in the Navy, being discharged from the secondary radio school, Navy Pier, Chicago. He plans to resume his study of electrical engineering at Purdue University this fall.

To Resume Education

Charles Walter McConnell, S. I. C. son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert S. McConnell, 1285 Lamb road, recently received his Navy discharge after 14 months of service. Six months of that time was spent overseas on the USS Titanic, stopping in the Philippines and at Guam. He intends to finish his education at the Highland Park Junior College in the fall.

Capt. Corson Home

Captain Bruce Corson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Corson, 979 Chesterfield, returned home on terminal leave recently, after more than three years in the Army. He spent his last year overseas with the Army Ordnance on Leyte in the Philippines. Previously, he had been stationed at Camp McCoy, Wis., and Officers Training Corps in Aberdeen, Md., being commissioned in November of 1945.

Transferred

Seaman first class James S. Watt, who became ill several months ago, has been transferred to the U. S. Naval Hospital at Dublin, Ga., Ward 7B. Jim was studying radar at the U. S. Navy Training School in Gulfport, Miss., when he became ill, and is advised that he will have to re-

main hospitalized for several more months, according to his mother, Mrs. Robert F. Watt, 1215 Yorkshire road.

At Fort McClellan

Private Francis A. B. Buckler, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Buckler, 607 Brookside, is now taking his basic army training at the Infantry Replacement Training Center at Fort McClellan, Ala. He was a chemist with the Reichold Chemical company before joining the service.

Announce Judges For Dog Show

John Hackett, 1161 Birmingham boulevard, chairman of the bench show committee of the Oakland County Kennel club, has announced an outstanding panel of judges for the club's annual show to be held in Royal Oak on September 1.

Alex Stewart, Chicago, will select best in show, best American bred, and will judge the terrier and toy groups as well as a part of the breeds in working and non-sporting.

James Trullinger, Pittsburgh, will judge the hounds and toy and hound group. Jack Spoor, Tipton, will judge sporting dogs, except English setters and English springer spaniels, and will do the sporting group.

John H. Hartley, Richmond, Va., will pick the terriers; Dr. Fletcher Vinson, Baltimore, English setters; Raymond Beale, Buffalo, springers; Howard K. Mohr, Philadelphia, dobermans, great danes, old English sheep dogs and the working group. Mrs. Walter Monroe, Chicago, will judge dachshunds.

Clyde H. Henderson, Brecksville, Ohio, will judge the obedience events.

Unusual interest is being evidenced in the show, according to J. P. Malley, president, because of the club's decision to award substantial cash prizes for various show classes, in addition to an extensive list of trophies.

Club officials expect many more local dogs than usual to be entered, with the cash awards attracting a number of entries of the better dogs from other areas.

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Committeeman

Fred J. Walls, 629 Pierce, a director of the American Foundrymen's Association, was elected to its executive committee for 1946-47 at the recent annual board meeting of the technical society in Chicago. S. V. Wood, president, announced Monday.

Immediate past president of the association and its vice-president in 1944-45. Mr. Walls, manager of the Detroit office, development and research division, International Nickel Co., Inc., previously served as a director of the society in 1939-42.

Strictly Fresh

It now comes out that the Nazi bigshots are income tax dodgers. So along with being guilty of mass murder, plotting aggressive war and other crimes against humanity, they are dishonest as well.

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