

STATE OF MINNESOTA.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.

PROCLAMATION.

Minnesota is now producing nearly 2,500,000 acres of corn annually. Last year its corn product was worth nearly \$51,000,000. The yield of corn secured by Minnesota farmers last year was surpassed by that of only one other state. It went ahead of all the old "Corn Belt" states.

This distinction was won in part through the influence of Seed Corn Week, observed for the last four years.

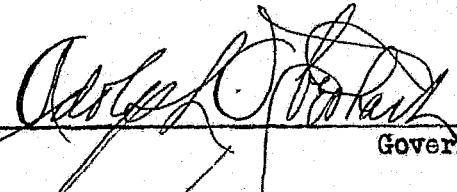
Good seed corn is important in every state, but according to the College of Agriculture, it is especially important in Minnesota, because varieties of corn must be planted that will mature in from one hundred to one hundred twenty days. Minnesota cannot successfully depend upon importing seed corn. The best seed corn for Minnesota farmers is carefully selected seed corn that has been produced on their own farms. In the five years from 1904 to 1908 the average yield of corn in Minnesota was 29.8 bushels. In the succeeding five years it was 35.1 bushels. Good seed corn in Minnesota may easily mean another five bushels added to the average yield. This will be worth to the state at least \$10,000,000 annually, or more than \$50 to the farm.

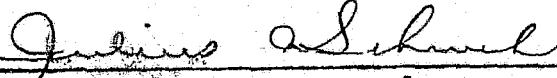
I therefore heartily endorse the campaign for the careful selection of seed corn being made by the Minnesota College of Agriculture, and hereby appoint the week of September 14-19, 1914 inclusive, as

SEED CORN WEEK.

I earnestly join the college in urging that every corn grower in Minnesota shall on at least one day of the week designated, make it his especial duty to go through his corn field and select for seed the best ears from his sturdiest stalks, selecting and storing them after the plan outlined in Extension Bulletin No. 9, which may be had by writing the Agricultural Extension Division, University Farm, St. Paul.

Given under my hand and the great seal of the State of Minnesota this
2nd day of September 1914.


Governor.

Attest: 
Secretary of State.

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STATE OF MINNESOTA,
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Julius A. Schuch
Secretary of State

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