CARAMEL POPCORN

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1 c. brown sugar, firmly packed
(½ stick)

2/3 c. dark corn syrup
3/4 c. water
1 tsp. baking soda
1 tsp. vanilla
1 tsp. salt
7 qts. popped corn

Combine white and brown sugars, corn syrup and water in 2-qt. heavy saucepan. Cook over medium heat, stirring frequently and wiping sides of pan with damp pastry brush, until mixture reaches soft crack stage (290°).

Stir in salt (1 tsp. is correct) and continue cooking at a steady, low boil to the hard crack stage (300°).

Remove from heat and stir in butter, baking soda and vanilla until well blended. Slowly pour over popped corn, stirring until kernels are well coated.

Turn onto a clean, cool surface and spread out. When cold, break in pieces. Makes about 7 quarts caramel corn.

2/99 - Cut corn to 59t (3/4C)

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