

Poultry Department

NO PROFIT IN POULTRY UNLESS RIGHTLY HANDLED

There is no large margin of profit in poultry unless the stock is handled in the right way. In the handling of flocks of hens and chicks there is no art to bother the young birds. Cold weather is no drawback to their growth if they are warmly housed and fed, and especially if they are kept in dry quarters with sunlight when the sun shines.

One essential for good early broods is a healthy and vigorous parental flock of hens and males. The brood flock should be in the prime of condition during the season when eggs are laid for incubation. It is folly, to say the least, to use eggs for incubation from breeding birds that are low in vitality, diseased or out of condition in any way. They must live in a clean place and be fed upon a variety of nutritious foods.

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Chickens can be hatched and brooded as easily and as economically in late winter and early spring as later in the season. In fact, early chicks as a rule are healthier and harder than later hatches. They always do better. One

Northwest Squab And Pigeon Club

The Northwest Squab and Pigeon club, at its regular monthly meeting Monday night, reelected the officers of this club and made arrangements to grade its product and contract for grain for the ensuing year.

The club is in healthy condition and growing rapidly. About one year ago C. A. Warren conceived the idea of organizing the pigeon men into a co-operative association. It is owing to the diligent efforts of Mr. Warren and the secretary of the club that the pigeon men now have a market for their squabs.

Mr. Warren asked to be excused from all executive duties this year, but owing to the good work done, he and his associates were swept back into office by a unanimous vote of the members present.

Any one interested in the breeding of pigeons is urged to join this club for their own mutual interests. Offices will be maintained at 527 Chamber of Commerce.

Fresh Air Necessary.

There are various methods used for ventilating poultry houses.

The easiest is to allow the fresh air to come in unobstructed except by a muslin screen. Remove the window sash and tack on muslin in its place. Enough air will enter to keep the house dry and sanitary, but there will be no breeze even in very stormy weather.

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QUESTION ANSWERED

Feather Eating.

To the Editor—I have a full block of white Orpington hens which picks up feathers and eats them. M. L. L.

Perhaps the hen is not getting enough nitrogenous food. Suggest changing her ration to some extent, giving her a little animal feed, such as bone or meat scrap; also, if convenient, mix a little bran with her mash feed. If feather eating has become a fixed habit, it will be difficult to prevent.

Gluten Feeds.

To the Editor—What is the gluten meal I see advertised for laying hens? G. C. B.

These gluten meals or feeds are corn products, consisting of the bran, the style of the horse, the age of the chickens, and the weather conditions.

Aim to keep the chickens comfortable. As the operator learns by the actions of the chickens the amount of heat they require, he can discard the thermometer if he desires. When too cold they will crowd together and try to get near the heat. If it is found in the morning that the droppings are well scattered around the house, it is an indication that the chickens have had enough heat.

If the chickens are comfortable at night they will spread out under the hover, with the heads of some protruding from under the hover cloth. Too much heat will cause them to pant and gasp and sit around with their mouths open.

Lice on Chickens.

To the Editor—My chickens have those long body lice on them. How can I get rid of them? Is there any kind of spray you would suggest to be applied to the coop that will kill them? They eat well, but are not laying.

W. A. G.

Get a can of Lee's or Lily's Liquid Lice Killer and use it according to directions, and it will rid both the hens and coop of lice. It can be secured from Portland seed stores.

POULTRY AND PIGEONS.

SOLD TO CAPACITY.

Account of big demand for these famous Browndale strain S. C. White Leghorn chicks we are sure to capacity to May 1st. Have several hundred yearling and 2-year-old hens to sell this spring.

BROWNDALE FARMS, INC.

Box 106, August 1st, Oregon.

WHITE LEGHORNS EXCLUSIVELY.

Eggs for hatching from our famous laying strains. Regular pen eggs at \$1.50 per setting, & \$6 per 100. A few extra sets of pens.

McKenna's Farm, Poultney Farm, Lombard and Kearny ave., Main 4822.

S. C. White Leghorn day-old chicks after April 1st, per hundred, from the best stock there is to be had.

From Egg Farm, Newberg, Oregon.

Appetite of Fowls.

The difficulty that people often have in getting fowls to eat certain kinds of desirable food suggests the idea that they should begin cultivating the appetite while they are chicks. Millet seed is distasteful but valuable, oats often can not be fed at a later stage, and some forms of greens will be refused even by hungry fowls.

Results From Feeding Oats.

One poultry expert reports excellent results in feeding from feeding oats. Two sets are cooked about a half hour at night till thoroughly boiling, then placed in the hay box and biddy has them soft and hot for her breakfast.

City View Lodge Elects Delegates

Sellwood, April 10.—City View Lodge No. 101, has elected its delegates to the grand lodge at Newport, May 17-20. Secretary Frank C. Briggs, Past Grand J. B. Burge and Past Grand E. Capell. Monday night this lodge will pay a fraternal visit to University Park Lodge.

Sellwood Artisan Lodge No. 101, will give a dance Monday night at Strohman's hall.

Blackmar Circle, Ladies of the G. A. R., will hold a birthday dinner on the afternoon of April 21, following the regular meeting. For the benefit of the circle a silver teacup will be given from 2 to 5 o'clock Friday afternoon by Mrs. W. J. Reeves, at her home, 1650 N. East Thirteenth street.

Elder W. J. Reeves, of the Primitive Baptist faith, will preach at 2:30 o'clock tomorrow afternoon at Wall's hall.

Revival services being conducted at Sellwood Nazarene tabernacle by Rev. E. A. Lewis and Rev. E. S. Mathews will be continued until April 18, with

General.

Secretary Daniels gave orders to Rear Admiral Beatty, commanding officer of the British in repelling a determined night attack by the Germans.

The route of the place at which the attack was repulsed is Esparges. Counter attacks of the Germans were repulsed in the Ally woods.

Official recognition of the bravery displayed by the British in repelling a determined night attack by the Germans was given by the French war office.

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layed by censor.

Pacific Coast.

Mark Klaw, of the theatrical firm of Klaw and Erlanger and one of the powers in American theatricals, arrived in Los Angeles on his way to Honolulu on a pleasure trip.

Suit for \$10,000 damages was brought against Chief of Police Sa-

Suggestions on The Care of Ducks

Ducks, both old and young, should have a dry comfortable place to stay in at night. If forced to sit on the damp ground they are liable to take cramps and cold in the head. The latter is almost certain to turn to roup.

Provide suitable houses if you wish to be successful. The houses may not be very expensive but they should be substantial so that they may be used for the same purpose several years in succession.

There is usually some shed or building that can be converted into a duck house at small expense. Where only a small flock is kept this plan is advisable.

If the roof is good the rest is easy. If the weather boarding is not sufficient, cover the outside with tarred paper or strip with lath.

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In cold weather ducks should be kept in the house because their feet are so tender that when they come in contact with the cold floor they get stiff.

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