

Poultry Department

MONTHLY FIRST PRIZE AWARDED THE OREGONS Blue Ribbon for September Production; Second Place for Week at Storrs.

LESSONS FROM THE EGG LAYING CONTEST Poultrymen Profit by Knowledge Gained at Missouri Experiment Station.

hens which did not lay in October averaged 153 eggs per hen. The best of the most all over at once, which is done late in the season.

Storrs, Conn., Oct. 21.—The Wyandottes are "birds" alright. They are doing really splendid work in the tail end of the laying contest at Storrs.

With the progress of civilization and as the country becomes more thickly populated the methods of farming are changing from the extensive to the intensive, and as this change takes place the farmer is turned to quality as well as quantity.

Strictly speaking, a hen is a hen, but upon the wholesale produce market she is sometimes known as a "hen" and sometimes as a "hen."

Close Race in Leghorn Class. The total yield of the Wyandottes amounted to 2184 eggs per hen for about 43 eggs that the corresponding week last year.

Some breeders contend that the first pullets to lay in the best egg production. In order to try this test, the pullets in each pen were taken as a flock, for in most cases they were the same age.

When the wholesale trade speaks of hens it invariably means the lower grade of female chickens, chief among them being the Plymouths and for such offerings, the extreme quotations are always obtainable.

Oregon Take First Prize. The monthly awards for September have been announced as follows: The blue ribbon, or first prize, was won by the Oregon pen mentioned above.

It must be borne in mind that the hens which were sent to the contest were all selected from flocks and were supposed to be very much alike in egg production, but the first hen in each pen to lay averaged 29 per cent more eggs in the year than the last one to lay.

While chickens may be chickens, it can be plainly seen that in the minds of certain buyers there is a big difference between the best and the worst, and they are willing to pay for what they want, it is quite natural that wholesalers should care to them.

Plymouth Rocks. Rock Rose Farm (Barrett), Katoomba, N. Y., 1912; White Rock (White), North Attleboro, Mass., 1912; Oregon Agricultural college (Barrett) Corvallis, Oregon, 1912.

Influence of Change of Climate. Many questions have been asked in regard to the influence of the change of climate on egg production and what effect is produced by shipping birds from the north to the south or from the south to the north.

His Test of Greatness. He was perched on a broken-down fence with a baseball bat over his sturdy right shoulder and was evidently waiting for the others to arrive for the test.

1200 Hens Begin All-Northwest Contest "Hoganized" and "Nelsonized" as to Laying Ability the Hens Start in Year's Competition.

In order to find out the influence of "hoganized" and "Nelsonized" on egg production, the State College, by dividing the hens into three classes as follows: Straight breastbones, slightly crooked and decidedly crooked breastbones.

The outlook for Portland is getting better every day. So is the outlook for the rest of the country.

State College, Pullman, Wash., Oct. 12.—Walter Hagan, instructor of the "Hogan System" of predicting the egg laying ability of hens, and Oscar Nelson, poultry judge, finished their work at the State College, Washington, by dividing the hens into three classes as follows: Straight breastbones, slightly crooked and decidedly crooked breastbones.

While we have no definite data on the time each hen went to roost or how long she remained on the roost, or certain hens, it is interesting to note that the best layer is the hen which is busy both early and late.

Because prices are so low now, and are bound in a short time to show a great rise, even now people complain that it is hard to rent a house in Linnnton, St. John or South Portland.

Bird Exhibit Will Be Held at Lewiston, Idaho. Lewiston, Idaho, Oct. 21.—R. G. Pelley, who is in charge of the poultry exhibit to be held in connection with the livestock show the last week in November, reports receipt of requests for entry blanks which indicate that the show will cover virtually the territory covered by the livestock show.

There is another rumor that Minnesota is having a "hoganized" contest, which would mean that real estate prices cannot long remain as low as they now are, and that wise investors will buy before the increase in price takes place.

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Comparing on a basis of 100 per cent for the highest producers, the average of 75 tests of the various breeds shows that the best of the high layers, combs 89 per cent and smallest combs 87 per cent.

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O. A. C. Birds in Contest. The Oregon Agricultural college of Corvallis started three pens of hens in the all-northwest egg laying contest at Pullman, Wash., under the auspices of the Washington State college.

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The Slam Oblique. From the Boston Transcript. She—Get us all nearer the music. He—But then you can't hear what I'm saying to you. She (rising)—I know. Come along.

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