

Easier Method of Obtaining Production Records for Pedigreeing Chickens

PRODUCTION RECORDS TO GET POULTRY RESULTS

Accurate Trap Nest Records Available to Chicken Fancier to Gain the Desired Information.

By Roy C. Stewart
For many years pedigreeing has been practiced in various breeds of animals. For a pedigree to be worth anything it must be backed by records in the ancestry.

In past years these records were entirely of the show ring. This is very well for developing type, but to breed for production the record of the productive qualities of the different breeds must be kept.

This is especially true in the poultry industry where until recent years there has been no means of keeping accurate records of production. Since the trap nest has been developed there is now a possibility of keeping production pedigrees.

REEDER SEEKS QUALITY

It is not always profitable for the breeder of a large flock who is breeding for market purposes to pedigree. The breeder who is handling fewer birds and who is making a relatively larger profit on each bird can afford to keep on such individual birds. With this breeder it is quality rather than quantity production.

Properly pedigree a chicken for production, accurate trap nest records must be kept. As each egg is gathered it must be marked with numbers which will identify it. The pen number and band number of the hen should be marked on the egg. The first will identify the male while the second will identify the female.

WAY TO KEEP IDENTITY

Keeping identity of the chicks is comparatively simple when hatched under a hen. When the incubator is used some means must be taken to keep the baby chicks separate until they can be marked with numbers.

Two different ways of keeping the chicks, from certain eggs, separate from the others are those shown in the illustration. One of these is a wire basket while the other is a bobinet bag. The marked eggs should be placed in these about the eighteenth day of incubation. If the eggs are properly marked and separated before hatching by this means, the records behind each individual chick are known.

EGG PRODUCTION RAISED

Through this means of accurate trap nest records and proper pedigreeing the egg production of the various breeds will be increased.

This will lead to two kinds of poultry pedegreeing—one breeding for market purposes—the other for high records. The market producer will find it advantageous to buy his foundation stock from the high record breeder. Oregon is fast coming to the front in the poultry industry. Many now consider it as second in the United States. Proper trap nest records and pedigreeing by the breeders will keep Oregon in the lead.

Crop Prices Increase

The average price of all leading crops on November 1 was 3.7 per cent higher than a year ago, and 69.1 per cent higher than the average for the five preceding years. The average production in 1919 was 107.7 per cent of the year's aggregate production, and 1.6 per cent higher than the average preceding five years (1913-17).

The pages of "Oregon Country Life" contain many advertisements of interest to farmers. When answering these advertisements mention The Journal.

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Improvement, advancement, progression, here and hereafter, are basal principles of the plan with respect to the souls of men. Earth-life with its varied experiences of joy and sorrow, of success and failure, of temptation and resistance, is the bitter and the sweet of mortal existence may be turned into eventual gain in the development of the individual soul.

We hold as reasonable, scriptural, and true, that advancement in righteous achievement and progress in our life here, and beyond as in this world ability to advance will be varied and graded. Willful neglect here may forfeit both ability and opportunity there. Hence, the plan in the mercy of God the Gospel is being preached in the spirit world, and vicarious administration of the essential and saving ordinances is provided for, to the end that the repentant dead "might be judged according to men in the flesh, but live according to God in the spirit" (1 Peter 4:6), disembodied spirits may be incapacitated and intelligible even for repentance, and the plan of redemption administered in their behalf upon earth, until they shall have learned in the spirit world the primary lessons that they ignored or rejected while in the flesh. To this effect spake Alma the prophet:

"There was a space granted unto man in which he might repent; therefore this life became a probationary state; a time to prepare to meet God, a time to prepare for the day when he will appear to him as God, a time to prepare for that endless state, which has been spoken of by us, which is the resurrection of the dead." (Book of Mormon, Alma 12:24)

"For behold, this life is the time for men to prepare to meet God; yea, behold, the day when he will appear to him as God, a time for men to perform their labors."

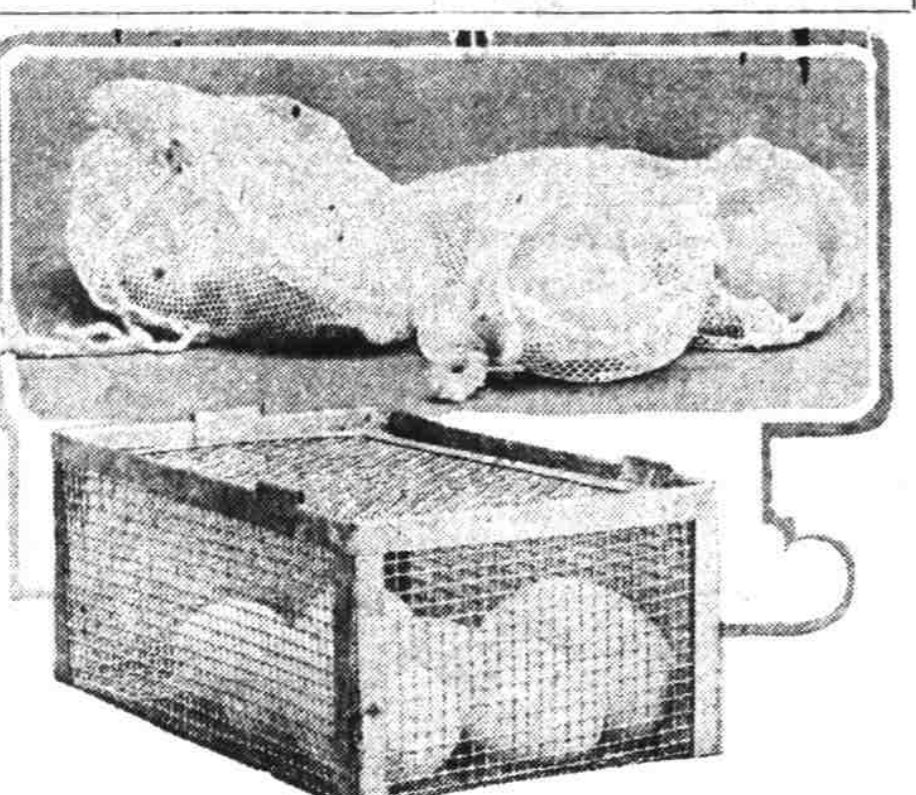
"And now as I said unto you before, ye have had so many witnesses, therefore I beseech you that ye do not procrastinate the day of your repentance until the end; for after this day of life, which is given to prepare for eternity, behold, if we do not improve our time while in this life, then cometh the dark darkness, wherein there can be no labor performed."

"To cannot say, when ye are brought to that awful crisis, that I will repent, that I will return to my God; Nay, ye cannot say this; for that same spirit which will give to you the witness, that ye are out of this life, that same spirit will have power to possess your body in that eternal world."

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CHICK IDENTITY MADE EASY



Selected eggs are kept separate and the chicks marked, which allows for careful pedigreeing.

RABBITS

The question of how to dispose of the surplus animals that are produced in an ordinary backyard rabbitry is one that is often the deciding factor as to whether the breeder will continue raising rabbits or not. The selection of a suitable breed and boosting by the breeder for his special variety with its superior meat and other qualities have been given columns of space in all publications, but what to do with that which cannot be used on the breeder's own table has been left for him to solve. This has been the stumbling block for many an amateur breeder.

The best will, of course, be kept for breeding purposes but a large part of those produced should be disposed of for meat. Very little difference is found in the relative food values of the different breeds notwithstanding the endless arguments put up in favor of one or the other.

Peate Wins With Orpingtons
B. V. Peate was a big winner at the recent poultry show with his Snow White Orpingtons. Peate is a specialist in the breeding of these fine birds and has won at seven different shows this year. He is a breeder of long standing and staying with it.

Proper dressing of market rabbits is very essential to their continued sale. Poorly dressed rabbits are unsightly and will turn a customer against rabbits for good.

Care should be taken to properly bleed the rabbit so that there are no blood shot spots. While people who are in the habit of eating rabbits would just as soon the pelts were still on when they buy them, many customers are more apt to make a purchase if the rabbit is nicely dressed and ready for the cooking process. Again the pelts are not of any value to the consumer while they are to the producer.

Rabbit meat was the "main stay" at two notable Northwest weddings recently. It is the local market is the one best adapted for the small breeder and the immediate neighborhood often proves the most profitable.

Growers Meet at Aurora
Aurora, Jan. 30.—Loganberry growers and other fruit growers will meet here February 7 to promote the extension of fruit growing in this section. Last year a good beginning was made when a number of farmers put out loganberry fields. The demand is so great that many others will go into the business this year. W. L. Bentley, a large loganberry grower at Hubbard, will be the principal speaker.

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Active Farm Bureau Is Formed in Every District in Sherman

Moro, Jan. 31.—Within two weeks every community in Sherman county will have an active farm bureau at work. Moro, Grass Valley and Michigan communities have already organized; Klondike, Harmony and Fairview will organize this week, while the remaining communities will meet the week following. Committees of farmers working in the interest of the farm bureau in their respective communities have met with good success. Indications are that over 60 per cent of the farmers of the county are joining the farm bureau. Some sections report practically 100 per cent. Improvement of livestock by the use of better sires, cooperative control of the weeds of a tumbling nature and seed wheat certification are among the most important community problems to be handled this year.

Annual Meeting of Dairymen Comes to Close at Chehalis

Chehalis, Wash., Jan. 31.—The Lewis-Pacific Dairymen's association held their annual meeting in the Del Monte hall. There were about 250 members of the association present. The board of directors are: H. W. A. Tramm, Harvey Shoultes, A. N. Bennett, V. M. Bullard and J. A. Scollard. Following are the officers elected by the board: J. A. Scollard, president; H. W. A. Tramm, vice president; Harvey Shoultes, secretary; A. N. Bennett, treasurer.

Yakima Apple Crop Last Season Worth About Two Million

Yakima, Jan. 31.—The Yakima Fruit Growers' association, the only cooperative distributing agency in the valley, has had a prosperous year, according to reports of officials given at the annual meeting just held. The organization marketed 1200 carloads of fruit for its membership of 250. An 800-carload of this output was apples, the total value of the year's business runs close to the \$2,000,000 mark.

Grange Officers on Trip in Douglas Co.

Roseburg, Jan. 31.—C. E. Spence, master of the Oregon State Grange, is spending about 10 days in Douglas county on a visit to each of the granges. Spence is accompanied by Dr. C. H. Bailey, D. S. G. M., and C. J. Hurd, county agent, who have the work outlined for each district in connection with the year.

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all lines of farm work, fruit growing, livestock and poultry industries. The master granger is here to give pointers and to assist local grangers in the work, as well as take an inventory of the progress of the granges in Douglas county. The officers visited South Deer creek grange. This is one of the strongest granges in the county, being the home of Dr. C. H. Bailey, the deputy state grange master, and a man who is thoroughly versed in the work in which he is acting as adviser. An all-day session was held at Evergreen grange at Green, Sunday. A basket dinner was served and the meeting was well attended. Melrose, Looking Glass, Glide, Dixonville and Garden Valley will be visited.

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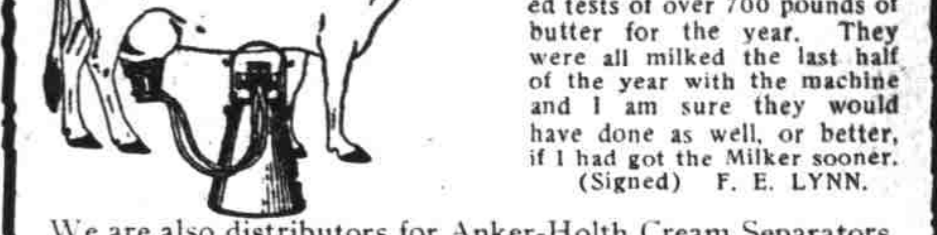
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