True Greatness.

He only is great who has the habits of greatness; who, after performing what none in ten thousand could accomplish, passes on like Samson, and "tells neither father nor mother of it."

Beats Stove for Heat.

Of European invention is a sheet metal stove pipe drum which is claimed to radiate more heat in a room than the stove with which it is used.

MAKEUP OF THE PERSIAN BEAUTY

Her Face Transformed Into Mask of White and Vermilion, With Joined Eyebrows.

"Come, I will make you as beautiful as the morning star," said the queen, commanding the servants to bring pastes, paints and perfumes. I was docile. A white paint covered my pallor; my cheeks were transformed into two vermilion apples, a layer of surma united into one black arc my two eyebrows. On my forehead a few painted stars made me resemble a starlit night; golden powder on my hair imitated the sun.

"Now you are dazzling," said the queen, holding a mirror before me.

"God all powerful! I cried. "What a fright!"

A vicious and powerful face looked at me from the glass. It was like the Persian images of Zuleika in anger complaining of Joseph of Pharaoh. I was overcome. The very sight of it terrified me. But there was nothing to do; the paint was of the best, and would defy water and oil for weeks. I must present myself under this mask.

"So much the worse," I said, with a shrug. "Let me go now to charm your Bahman!"

At the house of Zehir we found all the young women painted thus, in the traditional fashion for grand fetes. I did not see Bahman, but could only suppose that he had not been disappointed, for our idle life was for a long time enlivened by his letters. Little by little these letters, delicately passionate, became a need to me. Fearing to lose his respect by replying to them, I answered only by symbolic signs, by a flower or a bird in an enameled cage.—From "The Dancer of Shamakha, IV, in Teheran," by Armen Ohanian, in Asia Magazine.

Alderney Is Tax Exempt.

There are no taxes of any kind in the island of Alderney.

U. S. COINAGE FOR 1922 SHOWS DROP

United States Mints Produce 350 Million Pieces Less Than for the Year 1921.

Washington.—Total domestic coinage of the United States during the fiscal year just ended fell off by more than 350,000,000 pieces, as compared with the previous year, according to a summary of operations issued by the mint.

During the fiscal year 1922, there were 105,996,175 coins turned out by the various mints of the country, with a total value of $145,712,742, against 462,420,140 coins for the $38,586,540 in 1921.

Myrose, one of the most important native states in India, is to amend its constitution so as to permit women to vote.

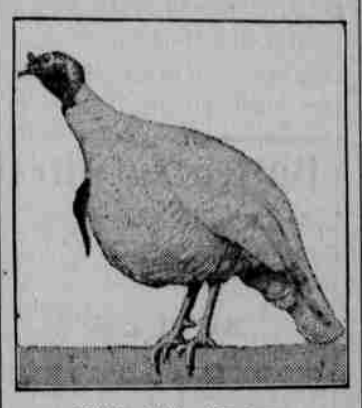
POULTRY

WHITE HOLLAND IS POPULAR

While Not So Common as Bronze It Is Widely Raised—Has Many Excellent Qualities.

The white Holland turkey, while not so common as the bronze variety, is nevertheless widely raised and exceedingly popular. People who keep them long enough to get familiar with their qualities and characteristics generally prefer them to any other breed.

The origin of the white Holland is not known, according to writers on poultry, but it is believed to have been developed by breeding white birds selected from other breeds, which appear occasionally as among chickens and are classed as "sports." It seems quite certain that they did not come from Holland or the Netherlands. It has come to the front as a distinct breed since about 1800. The standard weights are, 26 lbs. for a cock; 16 lbs. for a cockerel; 16 for a hen and 10 for a pullet. At the same time any of these classes may be fattened to from three to six pounds above the weight quoted. Six months old gobblers, or cockerels, have been known



White Holland Turkey.

to weigh 16 pounds dressed for market. The flesh is white and makes fine eating.

White Holland turkeys are said to be the best layers, as a rule, among the turkey family. In some flocks the hens will not go broody or hatch; or, if they do, it will be only after the season is far advanced. Other specimens will want to sit before laying a dozen eggs and some have raised two broods in a season. One man is reported to have owned four turkey hens which laid 264 eggs during the season, while one of them raised a brood in July. Like all other breeds the white birds must have proper care and proper feed to be profitable. Colds, lice and filth and general neglect will be fatal.

MATCHED LUMBER FOR NESTS

Plan to Have as Few Cracks and Crevices as Possible, Built in Portable Sections.

When first in the poultry business we thought that nests made of scrap lumber or small boxes were satisfactory. Now we believe that the nests should be of smooth matched lumber with as few cracks and crevices as possible, says a writer in an exchange.

They must never be nailed to the sides of the wall or beneath the dropping boards, but built in portable sections, so they can be easily carried from the house for sunning and spraying.

When we used open nests in some of the houses the birds were constanting roosting on them or bothering the hens while they were laying. After several eggs had been laid in a nest another hen might decide to scratch around in the litter in that nest. This resulted in broken eggs and then it was only a short step to the egg eating habit.

The best nests are built with a small track at the rear where the hens can enter. The eggs are removed by lowering a hinged door in front. These nests are slightly darkened and the hens hardly see the eggs that are laid. There is not much scratching in the litter in a darkened nest. If a soft-shelled egg is laid and broken the danger of the hen eating it is reduced.

The egg-eating habit probably causes as much loss and discouragement as any habit or disease which troubles poultry keepers. The remedy is largely in prevention and this consists in building the right kind of nests.

POULTRY NOTES

Keep chicks out of the wet grass.

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The boarder hen always jumps her board bill. Give her the crate.

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Geese grow fast, and need no feed in the summer if they have a grassy run.

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Filth causes more sickness than anything else. Clean up and keep things clean!

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Laying hens and hens being fattened for market should not be kept in the same pen.

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A cement floor is considered best for the permanent laying-house as it lasts a long time and is easily cleaned and keeps out rats.

NEW LIVE STOCK REPORT SERVICE

Plans Being Made to Give Monthly Changes in Situation on Farms of Country.

ALL DETAILS WILL BE GIVEN

Careful Study Being Made of Possible Methods for Gathering and Distributing Information to Those Interested.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

Plans for a nation-wide live stock reporting service showing the monthly changes in the live stock situation on farms are now being made by the United States Department of Agriculture, under the $70,000 congressional appropriation recently made for this work. The service will also include the forecasting and reporting of the important live stock movements.

Make-Up of Reports.

At recent conferences of statisticians and crop and live stock estimating experts it was felt that the monthly reports of changes on the farm should include reports of births, deaths, losses, marketings, purchases, and animals bred, with periodical classifications of the numbers of animals on farms. This service will be an expansion of experimental work carried on by the division of crop and live stock estimates during the last three or four years. Monthly reports will be obtained from 70,000 to 100,000 farms, and state indexes of changes at least for the corn belt, and eastern and southern states will be developed. The range states on cattle and sheep will be covered by a series of semi-annual reports because of the difficulty of getting monthly reports from those states.

A Man May Feel Independent If He Possesses a Nice Bunch of Cattle.

Information to Be Given.

The forecasting and reporting of the important live stock movements will be based upon the movement of feeder cattle and lambs from the range states to the corn belt feed lots, the movement from the feed lots to market, the movement into the eastern feed lots such as Lancaster, Pa., and the movement out, the forecasting and estimating of the yearly lamb and calf crop of the range states, and estimates of the feeder hog movement in the Middle West. A careful study is now being made of possible methods for gathering and reporting this information.

At conferences held to develop a live stock reporting program, representatives of farmers' organizations, co-operative live stock shipping associations, the packing establishments, and other live stock interests were present. Many large live stock producers' associations in the West have also indicated a desire to co-operate.

COUNTY AGENTS AID FARMER

Specialists in Many States Now Devote Full Time to Management Extension Work.

Twenty-four northern and western states now have 30 specialists to devote full time to farm management extension work. County agents in 895 counties report that they distributed 51,083 farm account books in 1921; 519 counties reported 18,448 books kept, and 444 reported that 8,454 farmers were assisted in summarizing their accounts. County agents in 237 counties report that 2,972 farmers made changes in their business as a result of keeping accounts. More than 800 farm-account schools, with an attendance of 20,000, were held in 1921, the United States Department of Agriculture reports.

SKUNKS WORRY BEEKEEPERS

Odoriferous Little Animals Coax Honey Gatherers Out at Night and Eat Them.

A report from Ohio received by the biological survey of the United States Department of Agriculture says that skunks are giving a great deal of trouble to beekeepers in that region. The skunks visit the hives at night and scratch on the outside till the bees come out. As soon as they appear the skunks eat them. The biological survey recommends that under such conditions the hives be fenced in with chicken wire at least three feet high.

STATE NEWS IN BRIEF.

Roseburg.—Officers are endeavoring to locate fruit thieves who have been causing growers of the Umpqua valley heavy losses. Large quantities of fruit have been stripped from trees in many orchards. The thieves, it is believed, are disposing of the fruit for profit.

Astoria.—Harley J. Slusher, who was elected sheriff of Clatsop county at the recent recall election, assumed the duties of the position Saturday.

Salem.—Although the next regular session of the Oregon legisature will not convene until January, state officials, state departments and superintendents of the state institutions are already working out in their minds various bills which will be submitted for consideration of the lawmaking body.

Salem.—Prices for the 1922 prunes have not yet been announced, and sellers, dealers and consumers are speculating with relation to the probable market. Estimates have placed the 1922 dried prune crop in the northwest district at 70,000,000 pounds, while California will have 200,000,000 pounds of the product.

Salem. — "The very existence of western fruit production is threatened if the strike continues," was the message sent by the Oregon Growers' Cooperative association to President Harding, Secretary of Agriculture Wallace and the congressmen of Oregon, at Washington, according to an official announcement.

Eugene.—Milling of the Lane county wheat crop started at the plant of the Eugene Mill & Elevator company Monday. A 12-hour shift started operations in addition to the crew for the handling of the coming supply. A total of 10,000 bushels is at present in the warehouse with about 2000 additional bushels already in transit.

La Grande.—The Nibley-Mimnaugh Lumber company of Wallowa has put on extra shifts in their shipping department. About 20 men were employed in the night shift of the box factory and planing mill. The output of the mill has increased lately and now that cars are plentiful and the market good the company is working to full capacity.

Salem.—The city of Portland, under a supreme court decision in which it was held that the municipality was liable for the payment of motor vehicle licenses, the same as individuals, owes the state a total of $6406 covering the operation of its cars during the years 1920 and 1921. This was announced here Saturday by Sam A. Kozer, secretary of state.

Roseburg.—The Roseburg Country club voted to proceed with the erection of the $5000 clubhouse planned by that organization for some time. The clubhouse will be situated on the grounds recently purchased from the Curry estate and will be the first in Douglas county. It will have all modern conveniences and comforts, in addition to a large dancing floor.

Salem.—Plans have been completed for the annual tour of the Western Walnut Growers' association, which will start from Salem August 23. The walnut growers will visit a number of Marion county orchards, after which they will go to Lane county and other points in southern Oregon. The tour will cover practically all of western and southern Oregon and occupy a week.

Portland.—Stockholders in the defunct State Bank of Portland must pay the 100 per cent assessment levied against them or face suit by the state superintendent of banks. Less than 10 per cent of the $300,000 due as assessments against that amount of capital stock had been actually paid in or pledged by Saturday, according to those now in charge of liquidating the bank.

Salem.—Officials of the Oregon state fair have announced a special attraction in the art department this year, a collection of 30 pictures from the Metropolitan Museum of Arts, New York city, to be sent west in time to be exhibited at the 61st annual event, which opens in Salem, September 25. This is the finest loan exhibit that ever has been sent out in the United States, and consists of perfect replicas of original paintings by the world's greatest masters.

Brownsville.—Funeral services for Aunt Eliza, last of the Calapooia Indians, were held Sunday from the Starr undertaking chapel, with Rev. W. P. Elmore officiating. She died Friday night at the home of Johnny Moore in this city. Some pioneers estimate her age to have been in the neighborhood of 100 years. She had been blind for many years and dependent upon the county for support. She was interred in the Masonic cemetery by the side of her two children, Susan Indian and L. B. Indian.

Climate and Deafness.

It is curious to note how deaf mutism varies in different countries. In Switzerland, for instance, owing to the prevalence of cretinism, 245 per 100,000 of the inhabitants suffer from it, whereas the general average among European countries is 79, and in the United States, 68, per 100,000.

Red Oilcloth Effective.

Red, a very bright red oilcloth, makes an unusually effective table covering for a dark corner. Usually the place for such material is in the kitchen, but occasionally one sees it in studios and sitting rooms and in the dull light the effect is really quite lovely.

Two Sorts of Contagion.

Diseases are not the only things that are contagious. Kindness is contagious; manly integrity is contagious; all the positive virtues, with real red blood in their veins, are contagious.—Henry VanDyke.

First Sleeping-Car Berth.

In 1853, Zenas Cobb invented a sleeping-car berth and sold his invention to George M. Pullman for $4,000. Mr. Pullman perfected the invention and Mr. Cobb afterward manufactured car-spring seats, supplying the entire Pullman service.

No Such Luck.

Many a thing would go without saying if people had wisdom enough to let them.

An Eel Mystery.

How the baby eels which push up the river from their birthplace in the depths of the ocean circumvent the falls of the Rhine and even Niagara falls is a puzzle science has so far been unable to solve.

Listen!

Wall paper was very costly when first introduced. As late as the end of the Eighteenth century when an owner was leaving a house he advertised among the things which he desired to sell or to rent the paper on the walls.—Brooklyn Eagle.

Highest Priced Tobacco.

The highest-priced tobacco grown in the world is produced in a certain area near the western coast of Cuba which is more than twenty-five miles square. The fine aromatic tobacco grown there can be produced nowhere else.—Brooklyn Eagle.