

PROOF THAT BACKYARD POULTRY KEEPING PAYS

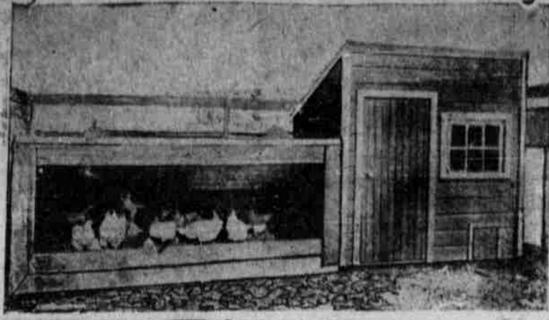


Table Scraps and Kitchen Waste Are Big Feed Factors.

(Special Information Service U. S. Dept. of Agri.)

The value of a small flock of laying hens on a town or village lot or in a city back yard should not be underestimated. Even as few as six or eight hens should produce eggs enough, where used economically, for a family of four or five persons throughout the entire year, except during the molting period of the fall and early winter. The product of such a flock, both in the form of eggs and fowls for the table, may be produced at a relatively low cost, because of the possibility of utilizing table scraps and kitchen waste which would otherwise be thrown away.

So many records of back-yard flocks have shown profit that there can be no question but what back-yard poultry keeping is profitable under the proper conditions. The record of a small flock kept in Washington during the past year throws some light on what can be accomplished under conditions that prevailed during that time. The flock consisted of seven hens which were bought December 18, 1917, for \$5.80. This flock was carried through the ensuing year. Two were killed and eaten; the other five were carried the rest of the summer and continued to lay until September 18, the day on which the last egg was produced.

The original cost of the hens was \$5.80. Added to this is the cost of feed, \$7.01, making a total cost for acquiring and maintaining the flock, of \$12.81. The returns from eggs figured on the basis of 40c. a dozen, which is very conservative, amounted to \$28.50. The two hens eaten were the largest of the flock averaged at least five pounds in weight. At 30c. a pound the value of these hens amounted, therefore, to \$3. Thus, the total income from the flock was \$31.50, while the total expenses were \$12.81, leaving a return over cost of fowls and cost of feeding of \$18.69. This figure, however, does not take into account the value of the five hens on hand. These would average at least four pounds, in weight, so that, at 30c. a pound, each hen would be worth \$1.20. This would add to the credit balance \$6, and would therefore show a profit on the hens on September 18 of \$24.69. It will be noted that the egg production for the nine months involved was very good, 136 eggs a hen, and it should be stated in this connection that the man of the house is a butcher, and was frequently able to bring home scraps of meat which were fed to the hens, and which undoubtedly contributed greatly to the favorable egg production.

COUNTY AGRICULTURAL AGENTS

Have you a county agricultural agent in your home? If not, why not? asks a writer in the Oregon Dairy and Food Bulletin. The value of such public servants is recognized by the federal government; and even in these strenuous times they are backing their endorsement by lending their active financial assistance everywhere.

Hundreds of farmers are coming to recognize in them, not the egotistical theorist that some have tried to represent them as being; but an

intelligent, helpful, sympathetic friend; one who gets about the county and about the state and is able to bring to their attention the helpful experiences and experiments of others. They are an aid in the organization and operation of their cooperative enterprises. They become an ever-present source to which the farmer may go for statistics and technical information; and good roads, good tools, good markets, good stock, good farm labor, and better social conditions are all live rural questions which the county agents boost on every occasion. Up

to July 1, 1917, there were 542 such men working in the northern and western states alone, and the number is constantly increasing.

And no discussion of this sort would begin to be complete without an enthusiastic approval of the home demonstration agents, who work in a similar capacity with the rural housewives. Home sanitation, home water supply, sewage disposal, abatement of the fly nuisance, vegetable gardening, improvement of home grounds, better cooking, food conservation, better sewing, and social improvement are all matters that are handled with tact and force by these women workers.

New York now leads in the number of her home demonstration agents; but Oregon has not been far behind in these things and we now have several such useful thrift missionaries about the state. Their work has met with almost instant approval and we believe the number should be greatly increased.

There was a time when we thought we could get along without the telegraph, the telephone, the locomotive and the steamship; but that day is gone. And in just that way these county agents are rapidly becoming a real rural necessity. Antiquated methods on the farm might have been sufficient in our grandfathers' day, but intensified agriculture is rapidly becoming the rule today. And real live-wire workers of this sort are the other established agencies.

Almost every county has its deputy game warden, its county school superintendent, its fruit inspector, its health officer, its stock inspector, its fish warden, etc. These have all become permanent fixtures in our social fabric and are taken as a matter of course. They are all useful indispensable offices, established for years and doing a most excellent work. And yet it is very apparent to one who will reflect a moment, that none of them are in a position to serve as large an industry, to reach as many citizens, or to do as great and lasting good as would these county agents where they can secure the assistance and cooperation of those with whom they work. Get cheerfully behind the agents in your county, if you have them, and boost with them for your community and your county. If you have no such officers, organize a movement with that object in view and help them become the busiest, most helpful "advance agents" of prosperity that you have. Aid them in the development of community ideal, community spirit and community team work. Bring about with their aid an esprit de corps which will put your county "on the map" in agricultural things.

Among the things which will go on the 1918 scrap-heap is the belief in the divine right of kings.

HOOVER DEAR HOOVER COME HOME.

Oh Hoover, dear Hoover, come home to us now! They have taken the food rules away. Yet they ask us to save and they don't tell us how. And we need you so badly today. May we eat pork and beef, of all dinners the chief. Or must we take lamb in their stead? And say if you please, may we have bread and cheese. And should it be substitute bread? Shall we eat raisin cake? Apple pies may we bake? We're all of us sadly perplexed. The food rules, dear Hoover, seem all to be over: Oh come home and tell us what next.

AMERICA'S MORAL FORCE.

In President Wilson's brief address at Carlisle he said: "It is moral force as much as physical force that has defeated the effort to subdue the world."

Every nation worthy of the name has a firm substratum of moral force. The nation may seem immersed in the affairs of the world; perhaps its attention is devoted to commerce and the development of science, perhaps to the promotion of luxury.

But beneath these outward signs lies the moral force, only awaiting emergency to come to the surface. It will take possession of the nation's finest thought, and the love of money and the love of luxury will in a moment as it were, be subordinated.

In the recent war we have seen America change with rapidity from a peace-loving, materialistic country to one swayed by its belief in right—willing to sacrifice money, comfort, pleasure for a principle. America's young manhood believed that in entering the war it was launched in the holiest of all crusades.

Religion is often closely interwoven with this manifestation, but it is not essentially a religious manifestation. Its root is in the principle of liberty, and the willingness to sacrifice all to gain this principle which founded America. This may lie dormant in the hearts of the people for years at a time, but tradition and character keep it alive. When the time comes it springs to life like a rebirth.

President Wilson may be an idealist, but America under all forms of practicality and materialism is a country of ideals. It was indeed the moral force lying back of its physical force which helped to bring about the great result.

The problems of the poor weather man are becoming more complicated each year. The mere guessing of whether or not it is going to rain on a certain day or during a certain week has changed to the much more risky bet of whether or not we are going to have winter during December, January and February or during June, July and August.

NOTICE OF FINAL ACCOUNT

IN THE COUNTY COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON, FOR HARNEY COUNTY.

In the matter of the estate of Gustav A. Rembold, deceased. Notice is hereby given that the undersigned administratrix of the above named estate has filed her final account in the above-entitled court and Tuesday the 11th day of February 1919, at the hour of two o'clock P. M., has been set as the time and the county court room in the Court House in Burns, Oregon as the place for the hearing of objections thereto and the settlement thereof, all persons interested in said estate are hereby notified to file their objections, if any such there be, on or before the above named date, and to appear and support their objections.

Dated January 7, 1919.
EUGENIE REMBOLD,
Administratrix.

NOTICE OF FINAL ACCOUNT.

IN THE COUNTY COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR HARNEY COUNTY.

In the matter of the estate of Mattie Norris, deceased. Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has filed his final account as administrator in the above entitled estate and the County Judge has set Monday, the 10th day of February, 1919, at ten o'clock A. M., at his office at Burns, Oregon, as the time and place for hearing objections thereto.

J. W. BIGGS,
Administrator with the will annexed of the estate of Mattie Norris, deceased.

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