

FARM QUESTION BOX

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Q.—Are potatoes good for pullets that are ready to lay?
A.—Cooked or raw chopped potatoes or any green food will be some addition to the rations and will pep up their appetite and interest, but nothing can take the place of a good, high-protein laying mash to produce eggs. Try chopping the potatoes raw and dusting some mash over them.

Q.—Why did my Brussels sprouts, when they started to mature, blossom instead of remaining small and firm?
A.—Too much food and rain at the wrong time, or else you failed to harvest them in time and they were over-ripe and grown too loose and large. The general idea is to force rapid growth when plants are small and then taper off when it is time for the heads to form.

Q.—Will cultivated strawberries grow well on a hillside with a southern exposure?
A.—Yes, they should do well there. Keep the mulch on them rather late so they do not start too early nor get caught by a spring frost. Autumn preparation is very desirable. Plow under sod and all the manure you can and 300 pounds per acre of 20 per cent superphosphate. Furrow with the contour of the hillside and do not disk or harrow until spring.

Q.—If two kinds of corn are planted side by side, will they mix?
A.—Different varieties of corn will cross pollinate and hybridize readily. That is how hybrid strains so popular today are produced.

Q.—Can I wash out a vinegar barrel to make it suitable for packing pork?
A.—I think so, if you use boiling water or live steam. You can test it yourself; if the odor of vinegar has disappeared, you may safely use the barrel for salt pork.

Q.—If I hatch from two-year-old hens that have passed through paralytics but never had it, will the pullets have it?
A.—Nobody knows. Perhaps you have some birds that are immune or resistant and therefore are especially valuable. On the other hand, they may be infected and pass the

SCRAPBOOK

Towels
If the family is large and you wish to keep bath towels separate, attach each towel to a spring clothespin. They can be made to look attractive by enameling and initialing each pin.

Whipping Cream
If the cream is too thick for whipping, place the dish in another dish of cold water, then when chilled, place in a dish of hot water. It will whip easily.

Darning
If a raveling is drawn from the material which is to be darned, and then used as the thread, it will give the particular shade of thread desired, and the darn will be less noticeable.

Soup
A slice of raw potato added to soup that is too salty will take away that too-salty taste. Boil for a short time and it will be ready to serve.

Cake Pans
If the cake pans are dredged with flour it will prevent the cake from sticking to the pans.

Ink Stains
To remove ink stains from silk, wet the spot with turpentine and allow it to remain for several hours, then rub between the hands. This will also be effective for taking ink out of cotton and worsted goods without injury to the fabric.

Chapped Lips
The use of cold cream, glycerine, or lettuce cream are all good for lips that are roughened and cracked.

Salt
In order to keep salt so that it can be easily shaken from the container, mix one teaspoonful of cornstarch with each cup of salt.

Chloride of Lime
If chloride of lime is poured into the bathroom toilet frequently it will be kept in a sanitary condition.

Biscuits
To give a glaze to biscuits or any other pastry, brush the top of it with egg white before baking.

Scissors
It is a simple task to sharpen the scissors. Merely cut sandpaper with them until a sharp edge is secured.

Beating Eggs
Add a little salt to the whites of eggs when beating them and it will make them froth quickly.

Pasty
To make puffy mix linned oil with enough sifted whitening to make the proper consistency.

CHURCHES

St. John's Evangelical and Reformed.
Rev. C. Nevin Stamm.
Church School, 9:30 a. m. Superintendents, Fred Hayes, Ralph Owens. Worship Service and sermons, 10:45 a. m. Christmas Musicals, 7:30 p. m. "The Child of Bethlehem" by Louise E. Stairs. (A Christmas Cantata directed by Mrs. Ernest Martin).

United Brethren Church.
Sunday School at 9:30 a. m. Wilson R. Shope, superintendent, in charge. Preaching at 10:45 by the pastor. Subject: "The Incarnation of Christ." No Christmas Endeavor meetings. The choir will render a Christmas Cantata, entitled, "The Chorus in the Skies" by Fred B. Holton, at 7:30 Sunday evening Prayer and Bible Study Wednesday at 7:30.

Warriors Mark Methodist Charge.
R. Roland Ritter, Minister.
Warriors Mark—Church School, 9:30. Morning Worship, 10:35. "A Christmas Pageant." Methodist Youth Fellowship, 7:30. A recording of "A Christmas Carol," by Charles Dickens. Basil Rathbone as Scrooge. The public is invited.

Dunurgun—Church School, 1:30.
Worship, 2:30. Methodist Youth Fellowship, 8:00. A recording of "A Christmas Carol" by Charles Dickens. The public is invited.

Christmas Program at Liberty Baptist, Blanchard
Rev. William J. Shope, pastor
Sunday, Dec. 19, the Liberty Baptist church, Blanchard, will present an original program, "The Birth of Jesus." The program will be built around scenes of this event, shown by use of slides and projector. Each scene will be accompanied by appropriate readings or music. A hymn and devotional period will introduce the program. The regular services for the rest of the day will prevail. A most cordial and warm welcome awaits you at this church.

Messiah Baptist, Dix Run—Sunday school and morning worship, 9:30. Bible Study at 3 o'clock Sunday afternoon.

First Evangelical, Bellefonte
H. Halbert Jacobs, pastor. The United Service, 9:30 to 10:15, the worship service. Sermon by the pastor, "Christmas in a World at War." 10:20 to 11, the church at study, Edward J. Teaman, superintendent, 7:45 p. m., presentation of Christmas pageant, "The Lost Christmas Recipe," by Martha Bayly. The pageant portrays Mother Goose and her children hunting the Lost Christmas Recipe. You will enjoy its story of the Why of Christmas. Prayer meeting on Wednesday evening at 7:30. Bible Study, on Christmas eve from 11 to 12 o'clock, a most extraordinary candle lighting service entitled, "The Light is Come," will be presented. It gives a dramatic portrayal of the Birth of The Christ. We welcome the public to worship with us.

Snow Shoe Methodist Charge
Ralph D. Schlabig, pastor.
Schedule of services for December 19:
Clarence—9:00 a. m.
Pine Glen—11:00 a. m.
At 6:30 p. m., a Vesper service will be held in Snow Shoe church, at which the choir and congregation will sing the old familiar, greatly loved Christmas carols. Practically this whole service will be devoted to singing.

At 8 p. m., "The Christmas Story in Verse and Song" will be presented by the Moshannon church. The choir and readers will be under the direction of Mrs. Leola Berger, whose ability to produce extraordinary things of this kind is well known. An unusual amount of talent is exhibited in the choir at Moshannon, therefore this service will be well worth attending.

The public is urged to attend as many of these services as possible, thus availing itself of the opportunity to "worship Him."

CHRISTMAS PROGRAM
The Pleasant Gap Lutheran choir will present a program of Christmas music in the church at 7:45 p. m. Wednesday evening, December 22.

The program follows:
Prelude.
"O Little Town," Redner-Wilson.
Candlelight Procession
"O Holy Night," Adam-Orem.
Offertory.
"Andante," Cecil Chaminade.
Prayer—Rev. D. G. RAUP.
"The Music of Bethlehem," Fred B. Holt.

Members of the choir are: Geraldine Corl, James Corl, Richard Gerbrick, Phyllis Jodon, Natalie McDonnell, Evelyn Ross, Donna Roth, Mary Smetzer, Louise Swartz, Joan Roush, Geraldine Smetzer, Sers Yarnell, Alton Corl, Bud Corl, Theodore Lindquist, Jr., Joseph McDonnell, Jr., Harrison Tressler, Jr.

Organist, Clara G. Garbrick; pianist, Pearl G. Garbrick; director, Helen G. Yarnell.

—Quartermaster Anthony Boscano arrived in Bellefonte yesterday for a four-day visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Boscano, of Halfmoon Terrace. Boscano recently returned to this country from sea duty.

—Bellefonte firemen answered two alarms because of fire fires yesterday morning. At 8 a. m. members of the Undine Fire Company went to the Samuel Halderman home on Willowbank street. At 8:30 a. m. members of the Logan Fire Company answered an alarm to the Hugh Saxton home on North Thomas street. No damage resulted from either fire.

—Tuesday, December 21, the shortest day of the year, marks a definite turning point in the winter. Even though most of the snow and most of the cold weather are before us, it is comforting to know that each day from Tuesday on we'll have a little more sunshine and a little more daylight, and that before we know it trout will be rising to the schad fly.

CHRISTMAS SEALS



Protect Your Home from Tuberculosis

Andre Dugo, an internationally known artist and illustrator, designed the 1943 Christmas Seal, which pictures a girl looking at Santa Claus driving across the sky.

Mr. Dugo says he "wanted to show the spirit of Christmas and to represent the wonderful work of the Tuberculosis Associations. So I decided to paint a happy, healthy child in a world where it is possible for children to believe in goodness and the spirit of Christmas, in Santa Claus, in miracles and in fairies—an ideal which is one way of representing the aim of the Tuberculosis Associations to rid this country of one dread enemy of health, happiness and security."

The Seal is printed in brown, red, black and blue. A single reindeer is pulling Santa Claus and toys over the clouds. The Lorraine Cross is shown. The whole is surrounded by a frame, each side of which is ONE of the four colors and the Seal next to it has the colors of the frame reversed. It produces a striking effect in sheet form.

(Buy Christmas Seals and Prevent Wartime Rise in TB)

LOUISA'S LETTER

Dear Louisa:
I have been going with a boy one year older than myself, off and on for four years and steady for the last two years.

In that time we haven't exchanged Christmas gifts until last Christmas, when he since working away, came in and brought me a box of candy. Now I have been wondering whether I should give him a gift this year or wait until I know whether his intentions are such.

If you can please help me in this problem I would be very grateful. I will be looking for the answer in the county newspaper, "The Democrat."

Maryland. WONDERING.

ANSWER:
I think it would be quite proper and nice for you to remember this boy with some simple gift for Christmas. Select something that you know he will enjoy. For instance if he likes to read, a book would be a good choice; or if he owns a music box, records would be appreciated. A bill fold, tie, handkerchief or a box of his favorite home-made candies or sweets would not be a miss.

LOUISA.

Dear Louisa:
I am a girl almost fifteen years old. I want to know how I can be a nice respectable girl that everyone will love and respect. There isn't anything against my reputation now. I don't want to get anything against it like some of the girls around here.

VIRGINIA.

ANSWER:
Some girls get bad reputations when they really do not deserve them. They do silly things which look bad and then they are talked about—so you see E, it is not only wise, if you value your reputation, to behave well but let people know that you are behaving properly. Girls who park along lonely roads in the middle of the night are not necessarily doing wrong, but nine-tenths of the people who see them there will suspect the worse.

Don't let every Tom, Dick and Harry paw over you, not only for your own self respect, but boys have a habit of bragging to each other about their conquests and are prone to exaggerate.

Don't be prissy, have a good time, but avoid wearing your clothes extremely tight and short and don't put on too much lipstick.

Try to like girls and older people as well as boys. When we really like people they usually like us in return, so that is one of the easiest roads to popularity.

LOUISA.

So far as we are concerned, we do not favor any wholesale importation of foreigners after the war.

If somebody would discover a way to sugar-coat education, the youngsters would learn faster.

A friend is one upon whom you can count, regardless of your misfortunes; how many have you?

MARRIAGE LICENSES.
Paul Charles Reese, Bald Eagle
Anna Harriet Shirk, Stormtown
Kenneth G. McKaig, Elizabeth N. J.
Margaret L. Goodwin Plainfield N. J.

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Electric Supply Company
BELLEFONTE STATE COLLEGE

Machine Repairs Course to Open
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repairs and adjustments under the guidance of Mr. Fye. A complete line of tools and equipment will be available including an electric welder, electric drill, tractor tools and others.

The need for this Farm Machinery Repair Course is apparent. It is generally realized that the production of adequate amounts of food by American farmers is of the utmost importance in winning this war.

The farm machinery situation is critical—many of the machines now in use will have to last for the duration. Most farmers have the time to repair their farm machines during the winter months—but are handicapped because (1) few farmers have a warm, well lighted shop where they can work in comfort. (2) Tools are scarce and expensive and many farmers are not equipped to make farm machinery repairs. (3) Many farmers feel they do not understand machines well enough to tear them down in the absence of a skilled instructor.

The Farm Machinery Repair Course aims to correct this situation by providing a warm well lighted shop; adequate tools for any job and a competent instructor.

There are no charges in connection with the course, other than for new parts that may be used in making repairs.

Authority for the operation of the course comes from the Rural War Production Training Program. The Centre County Program is under the direction of William Tucker, County Supervisor of Vocational Agriculture. The course is sponsored by the Walker Township Board of Education and Supervising Principal H. P. Bailey.

Farmers interested in repairing their farm machinery can secure more information from Melvin Yarnell, Bellefonte R. D. 2; John Miller, Howard R. D. 2; Adam Fravel or Robert Corman Hublersburg.

Pleasant Gap Soldier Gets Back Pay
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bear. But he had the wisdom first to turn over to Pfc. Elmer E. Vetter, Jr., of Louisville, Ky., a special service clerk \$750 for a \$1000 war bond. Still that leaves plenty for the acquisition of that dark brown taste, those little sweaters on the teeth that keep warm the memory of one grand and glorious celebration.

Priest 40 Years
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his parish here, Msgr. Downes during his period of service in Bellefonte has become a leader in the community life of the town. An able and forceful speaker, he is much in demand in that capacity, especially on patriotic occasions.

He has always taken a great interest in the affairs of service men, and of firemen, terming the latter group "the soldiers of peace time." The rector is a devotee of golf as a hobby and plays a formidable game even among top-notchers in that sport.

The Centre Democrat felicitates Msgr. Downes upon his record of 40 years in the priesthood, and congratulates him for more than a quarter of a century of faithful, efficient, public-spirited and tolerant administration of St. John's parish.

Township Reimbursed
State Treasurer G. Harold Wagner announced last Thursday that State check for school transportation reimbursement had been mailed to Union township, Centre county. The amount named was \$1,915.20.

TO REMIND YOU—
The fight against tuberculosis needs the help of every person.
If you have not contributed, do so today and join this life-saving campaign.
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FACTS
An average of eleven persons die of tuberculosis every day in Pennsylvania.
More than half the deaths are of persons under 45 years, making the disease a serious problem.
TB is both infectious and communicable.
An average of more than one Pennsylvania man in each hundred examined for war service is rejected because of TB.
For more than a year TB deaths and cases reported have increased in Pennsylvania.

WANT TO SEE THE KIDDIES
Thursday Evening
DEC. 16th
From 7:00 to 8:30 P. M.
AT
CLASTER'S
HIGH STREET

"Silent Night"
The battle is over.
The bomb-shattered village is deserted, lifeless. And the silence that greets our invading men is deathly. It's the kind of grim stillness many of them will know on Christmas Eve this year.
Not like the warm, beautiful "Silent Night" we know. Not like the peace in our homes the night before Christmas.
But the only way we can have some peace in our hearts is to know that we're helping bring our men back. Actually helping by buying all the War Bonds we possibly can. And by giving all the War Bonds we possibly can.
For no other gift could mean so much this year . . . no other gift could do so much good.
In War Bonds, lies the spirit of Christmas.



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