

POULTRY

EARLY BIRD GETS RICH EGG RATION

February Chicks Should Make Rapid Growth.

Leghorn chicks hatched in February should be fed rations that make for continual rapid growth, is the advice offered by the poultry department of the New Jersey Agricultural college.

Pullets from early hatched chicks cannot be expected to produce a profitable number of eggs during the summer and fall, if their growth is stunted in any manner. Any good baby chick ration will prove satisfactory until the birds are eight or ten weeks old. After that date, the specialists advise that they be placed upon a ration similar to a good laying ration, but containing a larger amount of minerals. To have the bird come into production as soon as possible and at the same time have her continue her body growth is the poultryman's aim.

No matter how they are fed, February hatched birds can always be expected to go through a moult in the late fall. They can use this period for any increase in weight or growth that has not been accomplished previously.

One must remember that an early hatched bird is an entirely different individual from a late hatched bird. The later hatches should have a much slower development in order to prevent an early winter moult, but with the early hatched stock the aim is to get all of the eggs possible before the early winter moult.

Feed Turkey Breeders for Vigorous Poults

Too much corn in the turkey's winter ration may make the birds too fat for the production of eggs of high hatchability. Some breeders feed 3 parts of oats to 1 of corn and find that the stock come through the winter in condition to produce vigorous poults. Equal parts of corn, wheat and oats make a good grain ration for turkey breeding stock. The addition of cull vegetables, and alfalfa or clover is necessary until the turkeys can forage in the spring.

Before the turkey hens begin to lay, it often pays to give them a hopper of the same balanced laying mash which is used for the chickens. Where they have had nothing but grain they may be reluctant to eat the mash but if it is kept before them, some of the mash will probably be eaten and it will help to improve egg production and keep up the vigor of the turkey hens while they are laying. Keep a hopper of oyster shells before the turkey hens to help in producing firm shells on the eggs and reduce breakage in the nests.

Feeding the turkey breeding stock on soil away from the chickens is a help in preventing blackhead and other turkey diseases. Diseases are often spread through the medium of the droppings which have contaminated the feed. Some losses may be prevented by feeding both the grain and the mash in hoppers so that none of the feed will touch soil which might be contaminated with disease.

Poultry Notes

It pays to rid hens of worms.

One water fountain is needed to each 25 chicks.

A hot, stuffy brooder house is as undesirable for chicks as it is for the attendant.

Cod liver oil isn't just a fad. It helps to remedy the lack of sunshine and green feed at this time of year.

If there were losses from bacillary white diarrhea last year it is not safe to use infertile eggs for the young poultry this spring unless the eggs are so well cooked or baked that all bacilli are destroyed.

Warm water is fine for hens in cold weather. A safely-heated water fountain will return several times its cost in eggs.

If the litter gets damp in a short time it means poor ventilation—and then there's danger of roup. A straw loft overhead will help.

It pays to study your flock and make the birds like you. Doubtless you may laugh, but hens will lay better for a caretaker that they know well and are glad to see.

It is not considered good practice to take breeding cockerels from the same brood from which you get your pullets.

It is said that if alfalfa hay is used for hens' nests and scattered around the chicken coops the chicken mites will beat a hasty retreat.

Protein derived from animal sources, such as meat products and milk, is of greater value to the hen than protein from vegetable feeds, such as cottonseed and linseed.

VERNON

Many of the farmers are making use of the snow hauling their logs to the mill.

Quite a few from this place attended the minstrels at Beaumont on Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Sickler, of this place spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Rogers of Idetown.

Mrs. Ralph Weaver called on Mrs. George Rogers Saturday.

Mrs. Stanley Brown, who has been quite ill is improving.

Miss Mary Brown is assisting her in her housework.

Miss Ada Eggleston who is attending Coughlin High School spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Eggleston of this place.

Miss Clo Evans recently entertained at her home here Nancy Evans, Lenore Thomas Offie Evans, Joe Jones and Lemuel Froster, of Kingston.

Mr. William Evans and son, Wilmer attended the fight at Wilkes-Barre Tuesday night.

Mrs. William Weaver, who has been quite ill is a little improved at this writing.

Mr. Wilmer Evans and Anthony Skronsky called on Peter Forgash on Sunday evening.

Mr. Albert Daley had the bad luck to get his new Chevrolet coach smashed beyond repairs on the mile hill above Tunkhannock on Saturday night. Peter Forgash, who was driving the car got cut quite bad with flying glass.

Herman DuBoise called on his grandmother, Mrs. William Sickler of this place on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Gale Clark took supper with the latter's mother, Mrs. Mary Tremptu of this place on Friday night.

Miss Tillie Goodman is visiting her sister, Mrs. Peter Deguzsis, of Luzerne.

Miss Ethel Race, who is attending Noxen High School spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Race.

Lemuel Troster spent the week-end with his cousin, Wilmer Evans, of this place.

Mrs. Andrew Daley called on Mrs. Jacob Sickler on Monday afternoon.

Miss Marion Cook who was confined to her home with quinsy is much better at this writing.

Little Carlton Rogers is ill at this writing.

Mr. and Mrs. John Cook of this place have sold their farm and expect to move in the near future to York State. Their many friends and neighbors wish them success in their new home.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry DeReamer, of Fernbrook, spent Sunday with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Corey Newman, of this place.

Miss Cleo Evans, who is attending Kingston High School, spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Evans of this place.

Watching Bill Now Before the Legislature

Much local interest is being manifested in the bill now before the legislature empowering the State authorities to proceed with State highways through boroughs.

State highway authorities, several years ago submitted to the local borough council detailed plans calling for a right of way 100 feet wide through this town following Main and Lake Streets.

The council were unanimous in their opinion that the scheme proposed by the State authorities would reduce the taxable valuation of the borough in the neighborhood of the improvement of at least 25 per cent, and pile up a bill for beyond the legal limit of indebtedness for this borough to assume.

It is reported that State employees have surveyed a route following Franklin Street and Lehman Avenue, but this plan does not seem to take well with local people. Our Main Street business men are against moving the current of traffic for business reasons, and just so. Others are against having a through State highway passing the school grounds for fear of the children.

It is hoped that things will be worked out satisfactory to all concerned.

Farmers Given First Warning Spring Is Here

Luzerne County farmers will soon be stirring out of winter lethargy for County Farm Agent J. D. Hutchison's office in the Miners' Bank building is busy these days mailing out notices urging necessity for having spraying equipment in shape for early spring battle on field blight and orchard pests.

"If the sprayer has not been put in good condition for the spring campaign against insect enemies, immediate action is imperative," reads the Farm Agent's notice. "Even folks who believe in the ground hog tradition of weather forecasting will admit that spring and the many duties it brings will soon be here."

One Exception
"We all profess to love our fellowman," said Hi Ho, the sage of Chinatown, "but the affection never extends to the individuals who have offended it."—Washington Star.

She Is Sorry for Him
The woman who marries a man because she is sorry for him is likely to feel sorry for herself later on.—Chicago News

Blames Rural Roads For Lack Of Good Farms

A new reason for the decline of farming in Pennsylvania—bad roads—was advanced at Harrisburg yesterday by R. S. Blackwood, of Beaver Falls, president of the Pennsylvania State Association of Township Supervisors.


Mr. Blackwood in a prepared statement, said over 60 per cent of Pennsylvania farms are situated along earth roads. In advocating a larger return of state funds to the townships for improvement of roads in the rural communities, he quoted figures of the United States census to show that "117,802 farms in the state are on 'unimproved dirt roads' and 29,863 on 'improved dirt roads'—in other words, on an earth road that has been graded and drained.

"The township face a critical condition and Pennsylvania's agricultural position among American states is threatened," he continued. "Each year hundreds of additional Pennsylvania farms are abandoned.

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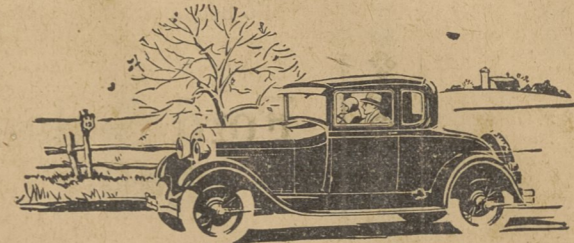
Odd Mexican Tree
In Mexico there grows a tree called the "Tree of Little Hands." Its five peculiarly curved pollen-bearing organs look like the finger of a child.

May Discover New Ones
Tip from the Telephone News: People spend the time you make them wait in summing up your faults, so don't be late.



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Fuel system of the new Ford has been designed for reliability and long service



THE practical value of Ford simplicity of design is especially apparent in the fuel system.

The gasoline tank is built integral with the cowl and is unusually sturdy because it is made of heavy sheet steel,terne plated to prevent rust or corrosion. An additional factor of strength is the fact that it is composed of only two pieces, instead of three or four, and is electrically welded—not soldered.

Because of the location of the tank, the entire flow of gasoline is an even, natural flow—following the natural law of gravity. This is the simplest and most direct way of supplying gasoline to the carburetor without variations in pressure. The gasoline feed pipe of the new Ford is only 18 inches long and is easily accessible all the way.

The gasoline passes from the tank to the carburetor through a filter or sediment bulb mounted on the steel dash which separates the gasoline tank from the engine.

The carburetor is specially designed and has been built to deliver many thousands of miles of good service.

Since all adjustments are fixed except the needle valve and idler, there is practically nothing to get out of order.

The choke rod on the dash acts as a primer and also as a regulator of your gasoline mixture. The new hot spot manifold insures complete vaporization of the gasoline before it enters the combustion chamber of the engine.

As a matter of fact, the fuel system of the new Ford is so simple in design and so carefully made that it requires very little service attention.

The filter or sediment bulb should be cleaned at regular intervals and the carburetor screen removed and washed in gasoline. Occasionally the drain plug at the bottom of the carburetor should be removed and the carburetor drained for a few seconds.

Have your Ford dealer look after these important little details for you when you have the car oiled and greased. A thorough, periodic checking-up costs little, but it has a great deal to do with long life and continuously good performance.

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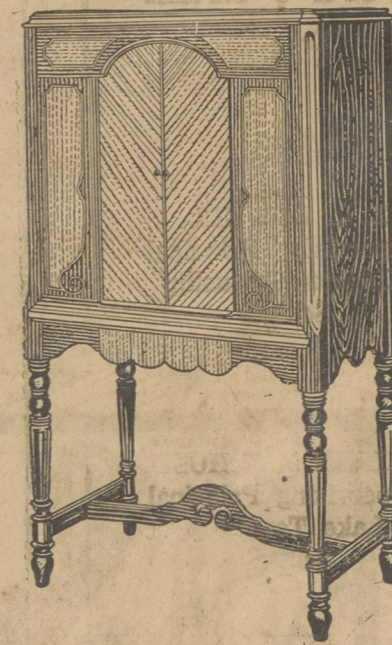
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