

POULTRY

FIRST REQUIREMENT FOR SANITARY COOP

The first requirement for a sanitary hen house is a roomy, dry building with plenty of window space and easy means of ventilation.

Dropping boards under the roosts are quite essential for the proper maintenance of cleanliness. They should be made of tongued and grooved flooring well laid, and should be at least three feet above the floor of the house. If nests are under the dropping boards, three feet six inches would be better height. In the case of heavy breeds runways up to the roosting perches should be used, but with leghorns and other light breeds they are not necessary.

Dropping boards should be level, and the perches arranged about six inches above them. The perches should be on a level, also, and of 2 by 2 material. They should be fastened to 2 by 4 supports that are hinged at the back end of the house so that the roosts can be raised out of the way while scraping the dropping boards.

A hoe with 15 or 18-inch blade is very satisfactory for scraping the dropping boards, and if used regularly once or twice a week will assist materially in maintaining the health of the flock. A small box arranged to hang from and slide along the front edge of the dropping board platform, to receive the droppings as they are scraped from the board, will help to preserve the fertilizer for the garden.

One nest should be provided for each five or six birds, and even more if trap nests are used. Twelve by twelve inches is large enough and one-fourth inch mesh hardware cloth is excellent for the bottom. Wall nests are to be preferred to those located under the dropping platform, but the wall nests require a top place at an angle of at least 45 degrees, to prevent the chickens roosting on them. The runways along the front of the nests can also be made to fold up in front of the nest openings, which will keep the young birds from roosting in the nests at night and fouling them.

Dry mash hoppers are essential to the economical feeding of the flock; they should be raised on legs 18 inches to 2 feet from the floor.

Water stands should be raised the same as the mash hoppers, and are best made with a slatted top in the middle of which an opening is left to receive a 12-quart pail. The support for the bucket should be about six inches lower than the top of the platform.

A broody coop where feverish hens can be confined and fed is much to be preferred to ducking them or to starvation.

A catching coop is very desirable and almost necessary where any regular and consistent effort at culling is attempted. A heavy wire with one end bent to form a hook and the other end tied to an old broom handle is useful in catching a bird or two, as occasion may demand.

A bin where two or three hundred pounds of scratch grain may be stored in the chicken house is also a labor saver.

Details as to the construction of different items mentioned above must of course vary with the size of the flock and local conditions.

Difficult to Determine

Sex of Goose or Gander

Ganders are usually a little larger and coarser than geese. The head of the gander is apt to be larger and the neck thicker. The cry of the goose is rather harsh, while the gander makes a shrill cry. The only accurate way is examination of the organs, or observation of the flock at mating time.

Laying ability of geese depends on the breed and the individuals. Toulouse geese will usually average about twenty eggs, and some produce thirty to thirty-five. White Chinese geese will lay from fifty to one hundred eggs. The Emdens are not generally quite as good layers as Toulouse, although very similar.

The lameness may be due to rheumatism caused by spending the night in a damp roosting place. Goslings sometimes become lame, due to faulty feeding methods caused by lack of mineral matter or animal feed in the ration.

Early Hatching Favored

Hatching in March and April instead of May and June has several advantages. In the first place, the early hatches do not meet the strenuous competition of chicks that are incubated by hens later in the season. The incubator can be made to yield more profitable returns by running it during the early months when farm work has not become heavy.

Winter Egg Production

Winter egg production does not depend entirely on the number of hens you keep. Regardless of the size of the flock they will all do the same thing without a balanced ration. Nearly everyone knows what is needed to feed hens a balanced ration. The problem is to keep all the different items on hand all the time. It really takes skillful management to do it, as many poultrymen work on limited capital and something is always running short.

Scotch Cow Evidently Had Fondness for Fish

The real heroine of this adventure was a cow. The angler could cast a fly and had caught trout in the south of England, but had never so much as seen a salmon river. Great was his joy therefore, when one day he received an invitation to fish one of the most famous spring salmon rivers in the north of Scotland, says the Field. In the very first cast that he tried he hooked and landed his first salmon—a ten-pounder.

The first salmon is always the most perfect and beautiful that ever was seen and the angler reflected that it would dry and lose its lovely color. On the top of the brae there was a marshy nook that would answer his purpose admirably. He deposited his treasure in this nest and, having covered it with a thick layer of rushes, went on his way.

The rest of the day he caught nothing except a half-pound trout. Still he was very happy and content as he turned homeward and whistled merrily as he approached the marshy nook. But there he found a highland cow in the act of consuming his salmon, of which little remained except the head and the tail. In his anger he flung the trout savagely at the cow, hitting her full in the face; but, so far from taking offense, she seemed rather to think that he had brought her a bonne bouche wherewith to complete the feast, for, after gazing at him for a moment with the innocent, confiding eyes of her kind, she contentedly swallowed the trout.

Rules of Politeness Were Not for Tennyson

Tennyson gained a reputation in his later years for rudeness. It was due perhaps to his dislike of intrusions upon his solitude. When the mood was upon him he was apt to disregard entirely the conventionalities, says the Kansas City Star.

A neighbor of the poet laureate once asked if he might bring to Aldworth a woman who was visiting in his home. She was well known in society. It was carefully explained to Tennyson that the woman had a great admiration for the poet's works and desired very much to see him. Tennyson assented quite readily, telling the neighbor to bring her to luncheon and named the day. When the day arrived the poet had forgotten all about it and, as it chanced, was in one of his solitary moods.

The woman was introduced; Tennyson bowed. Luncheon was announced and they went in. She sat next her host, who throughout the meal did not utter a word. At the end of it he retired in silence to his own room and the woman left the house to which she had made her pilgrimage in hope and reverence, not having heard so much as the sound of the poet's voice.

Cockney's Absent "H"

In Latin and the languages, such as French, derived from it, the "h" is not pronounced, its omission being due to the slightly different throat formation in different races. For centuries after the Norman conquest Latin and Norman French were the official tongues of England, and the aspirate therefore, was never sounded. With the gradual rise of English as a national language, the "h" came into fashion, though even today one may occasionally find an old-fashioned clergyman who clings to the ancient tradition and speaks with conservative correctness of an "umble man." In the main, however, the dropping of the "h" was left to the less-educated classes, particularly those in London, which, as the court and official center, had of course been more affected by the French non-aspiration than the more truly English north country.

Gave Tint to Water

Opposite Buckingham palace is to be found the Victoria memorial. This beautiful piece of workmanship is particularly remarkable for the clear, delicate green of the water in its marble basins. The secret of its coloring and translucency was revealed recently when two workmen were observed solemnly drawing a large sack to and fro through the water. They explained to an interested onlooker that the sack was filled with a certain substance which, while preventing the growth of weeds, gave the water its delicate apple-green tint.—London Times.

Oldest Form of Writing

The Egyptian system of writing is perhaps the oldest of the known scripts. This writing was in the form of pictures. The most ancient Egyptian papyrus now known contains accounts of the reign of King Asa (3530-3536 B. C.). The earliest literary papyrus is that known for the name of its former owner as the Prisse Papyrus, now preserved in Paris. It contains a work composed in the reign of a king of the fifth dynasty, and is computed to have been written as early as 2500 B. C.

Caddy's Limitations

One day "Flery" was caddying for a rather petulant golfer, who, after missing a short putt on the ninth green at Muirfield threw his putter into the neighboring potato field to relieve his feelings. With face unmoved, "Flery" was walking in the direction of the next tee when the golfer said: "Oh! Flery, you might go and get my putter." To this "Flery" replied: "I'm paid to carry, not to fetch and carry."

OTWAY NOTES.

We are having some pretty weather now.

There will be services at the P. B. church Saturday night and Sunday by Elder W. W. Styron of Lola.

Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Dowty of Lucama will spend some time with her parents Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Lawrence.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Lawrence spent Sunday with her mother Mrs. B. H. Gillikin.

Mrs. Roosevelt Piner of Tampa Fla., arrived Sunday and will spend some time with her mother.

Mr. Richard Gillikin who is very ill is improving.

There was a dance Friday night which every body enjoyed.

Mr. Adrian Gillikin left for New York this morning where he will be employed.

Mr. Augustus Lawrence left for Fairfield this morning to resume his work.

Mr. Lafayette Gillikin of Fairfield has been spending some time with his family returned to his work this morning.

DAVIS NEWS

We are all glad to have such spring weather as we are having.

Reverend G. P. Lanier filled his regular appointment here Sunday and a large congregation attended.

The play of the "Old Fashion Mother," which was played Saturday night, was surely a fine one, and there was a large sum of money made. We all feel proud of our girls and boys.

Messrs Tom Gilgo, Theodore Salter, Lemmie Gilgo and Clayton Willis of Portsmouth, N. C. were here Saturday visiting friends.

Mrs. W. T. Davis and Mrs. Leon Davis of Beaufort motored here Thursday to visit friends.

Mrs. Willie Willis and family of Beaufort motored here Saturday and was the guest of her mother.

Mr. Clarence D. Whitehurst of Beaufort was a visitor here Thursday and Friday.

Mr. Grover C. Davis who is student at Buies Creek High School, and came home two weeks ago sick, left again Sunday morning to go back to take up his work.

There was quite a large crowd of boys from Stacy here Sunday night.

Mr. A. B. Davis who is working in Beaufort with Davis & Hancock came home Saturday to spend the week end. Mrs. Blakely Pond went to Morehead City Saturday to spend the week end with her husband.

Mr. Chancey Willis of Davis and Miss Alta D. Edwards of Vandemere, N. C., were quietly united in wedlock Friday night at 8 o'clock at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Salter's. We all wish them much happiness in the days to come.

Miss Goldie and Miss Inez Willis of Atlantic who has taught here in our school for the past two weeks left Saturday.

There will be prayer meeting Wednesday night at the regular hour and every body is cordially invited to come.

HARKERS ISLAND NEWS.

Mr. Eric Gaskill of Sea Level has been doing some good preaching here Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights and Sunday and Sunday night. Large congregations attended every service and much interest was manifested. There was a number of penitents and one conversion. Leroy, the little seven year old

son of Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Hancock has been seriously sick for about three weeks. His many friends are glad to know that he is much better and able to sit up again.

Fishing has been somewhat dull for the past week. The weather has been unfavorable.

The influenza has about run its course on the island. All work is getting back to normal again.

Mr. Turl Scott and family have lately moved into a new cottage.

Mr. Charlie Russell is building a new house on the main road.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Martin Fulcher February 17th, a daughter, Lola D.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Ira Willis February 23rd, a son, Ira Whitehurst.

The school here has had two members of the Teacher Training School of Atlantic for the past two weeks. Their instructor Miss Groves also spent a day with us. Some helpful suggestions were given which we appreciate.

Messrs. Richard Lewis and Telford Willis have recently had some new boats built.

Rev. Mr. Pinkey and little daughter of Washington, N. C. spent the week end with the family of Mr. Hardin Guthrie.

Misses Bertie Lewis, Lola Lewis, and Flora Belle Guthrie spent Thursday 5th. at Morehead City.

If as much money and energy were used to secure peace as has been used to prepare for war, I wonder how soon world-wide peace would be established once and for all?

WIRE GRASS NEWS

Farmers are making use of the beautiful spring days. Planting corn bedding potatoes etc.

The buildings on the former Bennett farm are being repaired by the Beaufort Bank and Trust Company.

Those who own cattle are expecting to dip them the first time, March 13th.

Mr. and Mrs. Austin Adams of Harlowe were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Norris Sunday.

Mrs. David Merrill entertained Mrs. J. F. Sabiston S. S. Class Sunday. Their next meeting will be at the home of Miss Lena Norris.

Rev. Gaskins will hold religious service for the Charitable Brotherhood Sunday March 22 at the F. W. B. Church. Everybody is cordially invited, and feel sure they will enjoy the service, as Mr. Gaskins, though young in the work, is a talented speaker.

BAY VIEW ITEMS

We are having some Spring weather, and are some pleased to see it, for it is about gardening time.

The Brotherhood Association of Beaufort came over the 9th., and held services at the M. B. Church. There was a large crowd attended and all seemed to enjoy the services fine.

Reverend M. Beaman of Morehead City came over Sunday afternoon and filled his regular appointment. There was a large attendance. And he preached a very fine sermon.

Miss Nette Culpepper celebrated her 18th. birthday with a party the 4th. There was a large crowd present, and all reported having a fine time.

Mr. and Mrs. K. R. Hardesty and daughter, Mrs. Willie Jones and daughter Mrs. Cal Whalley are all very ill with the flu. We are all hoping them a speedy recovery.

We are all very pleased to see the roads in a better condition so the

school truck can come on the old route again. Sure hope they will remain in a good condition.

Mrs. Theodor Jones and little daughter, Irene left Saturday for Dover, N. C. where she will spend the week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Rice.

Reverend M. Walton of Beaufort filled his regular appointment Sunday morning and Sunday night at the M. B. Church. There was a large attendance, and the service was much enjoyed.

Mr. W. H. Doudy and son Ira spent a while Sunday at Harlowe visiting Mr. and Mrs. Stead Bell.

Quite a number of people from Harlowe were visitors in our neighborhood Sunday.

LENTEN SERVICES AT ST. PAULS

Special weekday services are held at St. Paul's church during Lent to which all are cordially invited. Mondays and Tuesdays, service at 4 P. M. Wednesdays service with address at 7:30 P. M. Subject March 6th, "John Wesley's Church and this National Church." Each service lasts about thirty minutes.

NOTICE.

North Carolina, Carteret County.

Under and by virtue of power of sale contained in that certain Mortgage Deed, executed by Freeman Nelson and Rachel Nelson, bearing date of 23rd day of December, 1921, and recorded in Book 30, Page 93, Records of Carteret County, N. C., and in pursuance hereof, default having been made in the payment of the bonds secured by said mortgage Deed, the undersigned will offer for sale and will sell at public auction for cash, to the highest bidder at the Court House door, in Beaufort, N. C., On Monday the 6th, day of April, 1925, at 12 o'clock M. the lands described in said Mortgage Deed, as follows:

Situated on the east side of the Main Road, and bounded on the east side of the Main Road, and bounded on the east side by the land of D. M. Salter on the south by D. M. Salter's Road; on the west by the Main Road containing sixty five acres more or less, it containing about twenty acres cleared.

This 2nd day of March, 1925.
E. L. NELSON,
G. W. Duncan,
Attorney.

NOTICE OF SALE OF LAND

Pursuant to a power of sale contained in that certain mortgage deed, executed by W. N. Dennis and wife Carrie Dennis, dated January 9th., 1922 and recorded in Book 30 at page 273, in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Carteret County, and default having been made in the payment of the note mentioned in the said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the said mortgage, the undersigned mortgagee, will offer for sale and will sell to the highest bidder for cash at the court-house door of Carteret County, in the Town of Beaufort, N. C., on Monday the 6th. day of April, 1925, at the hour of 12 o'clock, M., the following described real estate, to-wit: A certain piece or tract of land lying and being in Carteret County, State aforesaid, in White Oak Township, and des-

cribed and defined as follows, to-wit: It being our undivided interest in A. H. Dennis and Mary Dennis land known as Sanders Creek farm bounded as follows, on the South by Bogue Sound, on the West by Sanders Creek and heirs of George Bell and others, on the north by the Interstate Cooperation Company, on the East by Pridgen and others.

This 4th. day of March, 1925.

Time of Sale: Monday April 6th 1925
Place of Sale: Court-house door, Beaufort, N. C.

Terms: Cash.
M. Leslie Davis, Attorney
A. M. Weeks, Mortgagee.
March. 26th.

NOTICE OF SALE OF LAND

Pursuant to a power of sale contained in that certain mortgage deed executed by J. W. Guthrie and wife Addie L. Guthrie, dated November 30th., 1923, and recorded in Book 30 at page 587, in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Carteret County, and default having been made in the payment of the note mentioned in the said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the said mortgage, the undersigned mortgagee will offer for sale and will sell to the highest bidder for cash, at the court-house door of Carteret County, in the Town of Beaufort, N. C., on Monday the 6th. day of April, 1925, at the hour of 12 o'clock, M., the following described real estate, to-wit: A certain piece or tract of land lying and being in Carteret County, State aforesaid, in White Oak Township, and described and defined as follows, to-wit: Adjoining the lands of the heirs of R. W. Smith, on the North, Dexter and Arthur Smith on the West, on the South and East by Bogue Sound, the same being the lands willed to J. W. Guthrie by his father, and the land bought of J. W. Smith by J. W. Guthrie, containing twenty acres, more or less.

This March 4th., 1925.
A. M. Weeks, Mortgagee.
M. Leslie Davis, Attorney
Time of Sale: Monday April 6th 1925
Place of Sale: Court-house door, Beaufort, N. C.
Terms: Cash
March 26

EXECUTORS NOTICE

Having qualified as executor of the estate of M. C. Parker, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned at Ocean, N. C., on or before the 7th day of February 1926, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment.
This 7th day of February, 1925.
C. A. Parker and J. K. Parker,
Executors of the estate of M. C. Parker, deceased.
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NOTICE

Having qualified as executors of estate of J. B. Jones, deceased, late of Carteret County, N. C., this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the 19th. day of Feb. 1926 or this notice will be pled in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment.

This 19th. day of Feb. 1925
J. B. Jones Jr.
D. M. Jones
3-25-25

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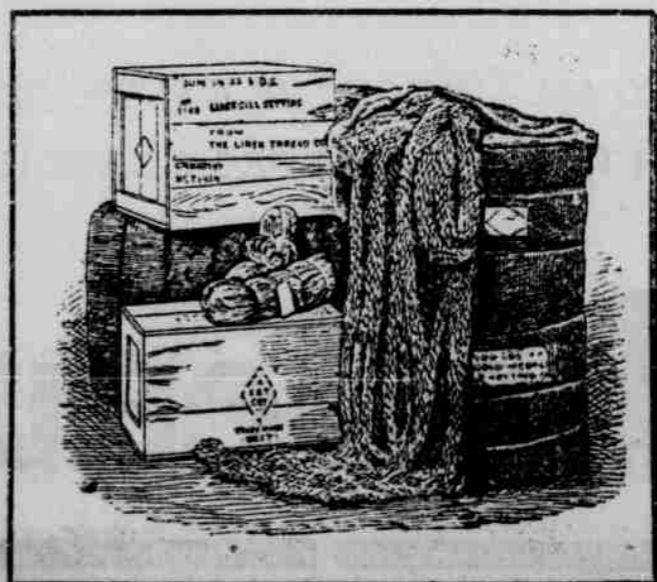
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