

The Lone Man in the WHITE HOUSE

Our country depends on Woodrow Wilson to win the war HE depends on our magnificent army, our splendid navy--and on a Congress that will vote him means and authority to carry out his plans. The whole people, regardless of party affiliation, recognize Mr. Wilson's peculiar and wonderful fitness for leadership in this historic hour, and are united to uphold and strengthen him in his efforts to end the great war by such a glorious victory as will shatter the might of kings and arbitrary governments.

Zebulon Weaver has been the congressman from the Tenth district of North Carolina since our nation entered the war. He is now a candidate for re-election. Zebulon Weaver has kept the faith with the people whose representative he is. He has kept faith with the nation, the nation's armed forces, and the nation's President. We are proud to ask the voters of this district to return Zebulon Weaver to Congress on his record as an AMERICAN.

Weaver Campaign Committee.

POULTRY DEPARTMENT.

B. F. KAUPP, Editor
Poultry Investigator and Pathologist.

Any question pertaining to Poultry Culture, sent to the NEWS, Tryon, will be answered by Dr. Kaupp.

ADVICE TO BEGINNERS.

Office of Poultry Clubs, West Raleigh, N. C. In a communication from the Polk County News, Tryon, N. C., the editor states that the Tryon Township poultry raisers have perfected an organization to further the interests of poultry production of that township, and it is the intention to form such an organization in each township of the county. Then one big county association will be formed, composed of the smaller associations of each township, and in order to help the good work along the editor of the above paper has agreed to add a poultry department to his Journal. This is certainly a move in the right direction to further the interest of poultry raising in Polk County and both the newspaper and those interested in poultry are to be highly commended for taking these progressive steps in such an important industry, and we would like to see this plan working in each county in the state, and this is exactly what this office has been striving for in the organization of Boys' and Girls' Poultry Clubs.

Many farmers do not realize the profits that can be made from a flock of good, well-cared for hens, and think there is little or no money in them. They look with disdain upon anything less than a big acreage of field crops or large herds when they might make more net profit from poultry than they are making from greater things. Much depends upon circumstances, and on some farms poultry is wholly unprofitable, but where there is a proper range for farm fowls, it would pay thousands of discouraged land owners to give attention to them. There are farmers whose net profits from this source are large in comparison to the money invested, and yet their poultry does not take any big place in their farm operations.

Those who prepare for the production of eggs in winter, just as the progressive dairyman plans for the neaviest milk and butter production when prices are highest, are making money.

The safest way for those who are about to make their first attempt at poultry raising is to start in a small way and learn the business thoroughly before making large investments. Mistakes will be made and many difficult problems will be presented for solution before success in any large measure will be attained. As soon as it is found to be a paying investment the size of the flock can be increased.

The farmer to do his best with poultry should have pure bred fowls and those most suitable for him are called general purpose breeds. This class includes fowls which are of fair size and which also produce a good quantity of brown shelled eggs, making them especially adapted to those persons wishing to supply both eggs and meat. As one has to make frequent sales of flesh in the shape of surplus cockerels and hens the carcass as well as the egg production should be considered. The general purpose breeds are usually good sitters and good mothers. They have medium sized combs and wattles and endure cold weather well. They occupy a medium position between the egg and meat breeds as to size, egg production and docility. The Plymouth Rocks, Wyandottes, Rhode Island Reds, and Orpingtons are good representatives of this class, and the different varieties of these breeds are so different in color that the poultryman can suit his fancy in that respect.

To be successful with poultry they should be properly housed. An expensive house is not necessary, but it should be well built, free from drafts and dampness. Preferably it should face the south or southeast, so as to get as much of the winter sun as possible, and the back and both sides made perfectly tight with cracks between planks covered with battens. The front or south side should be planked up about three feet from the bottom and one and one-half feet from the top, and the space between covered with poultry netting. The door can be set in either end or in one corner of the front. A house with such walls will be free from drafts and the open front will allow the sun to penetrate to all parts of it. The floor whether of earth or plank should be several inches higher than

the ground outside. Such a house twelve feet square will accommodate about fifty fowls.

ALLEN G. OLIVER,
Poultry Club Agent.
—W. S. S.—
MILL SPRING.

Rev. J. M. Barber filled his regular appointment at the M. E. church, Sunday. This was probably his last time to preach for us before he goes to conference.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Gibbs and son, George, visited at the home of Mr. W. J. Wilson, last Sunday, and also had the pleasure of attending the Turner-Williams wedding.

Mr. Claude Lewis was in Rutherford, last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Gibbs were

guests of the former's sister, Mrs. J. H. Cocherum, Sunday.

Polk did so well with the Liberty Bonds I think we all should "Take off our hats to her" sure enough. I am sure we are all glad to live in Polk.

Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Arledge spent Sunday afternoon at Mr. W. M. Walker's.

Mr. G. E. Wilson, from Laudrum, visited his sister, Mrs. J. H. Gibbs, Saturday.

Word was received, Monday, of the death of Mr. Ralph Walker, who was at Camp Wadsworth.

I think that everyone will agree with our Tryon Route 1 writer. We would all be very glad to hear Mrs. Bickett speak, and hope we will get to hear her.



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Any further information will be cheerfully given you by Mr. B. L. Ballenger, County Chairman of Polk County War Savings Association.

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