

ECONOMY LOOMS BIG IN EGG PRODUCTION

Winter Grazing Crops Lower Poultry Upkeep.

By R. S. Dearstyne, North Carolina State College Poultry Department.—WNU Service. Poultrymen who wish to make a profit during the period of low egg production must eliminate all unnecessary feed costs. But the economy should not be carried so far as to further decrease egg production.

Removal of unproductive hens from the flock and liberal use of winter grazing crops afford the best means of reducing feed costs and maintaining a satisfactory rate of egg produc-

Non-layers and poor layers add just as much to the flock cost as do the good layers, but add little or nothing to the income derived from egg sales.

Green feeds, which are less expensive than other types of chicken feed. tend to stimulate egg production by providing vital nutrients for the flock.

There are certain crops which will furnish grazing through most of the winter. Italian rye grass and crimson clover, or a mixture of these, have proven satisfactory. Experiments have shown these feeds to be practical from all standpoints.

House for Laying Flock Needs Careful Attention

One of the first steps in an improved system of poultry management is to provide satisfactory quarters for the laying flock. A recent survey in the corn belt area, says the Missouri Farmer, showed that the average poultry house was built in 1912 and that a very small portion, less than onefifth, possessed the simple features so necessary in a poultry house in order for it to be satisfactory. The average farm was attempting to house 60 per cent more hens than the quarters would accommodate. Less than one-third of the farm poultry houses had adequate ventilation, and about one-sixth were provided with feed hoppers and droppings platforms.

In over half the houses the fronts possessed no windows or other openings. Under such conditions it is no wonder that poultry falls to produce and return the profit one has a right to expect. Usually the extra production when poultry is properly housed pays liberal dividends on the extra investment as well as paying for the house itself.

Types in Cockerels

A great many people when picking out the more desirable cockerels they reserve for breeders make the mistake of taking for first choice those which develop sexually before others of the same age. To those who have not learned by observation that these are apt to be somewhat below average size in their breed, such birds are at this season the most attractive. The cockerels which show the best development at maturity are at this season larger than those just mentioned, and not so well feathered and self-assertive. Until one has learned to recognize the type as that which grows into the best type of, adult bird, he is very apt to pass over it and after he has taken the precocious birds take the largest of those that remain. In a stock of chickens in which the standard weight is the medium, the largest cockerels rarely make desirable breeders. Almost invariably they are coarse 'or their kind and slow to mature.

Moist Mash

Moistened mash has its virtues for both hens and growing chicks. For hens that are beginning to slow up on egg production and go broody rapidly, a feeding of as much moistened mash as they will clean up once a day, preferably around noon, will help keep up egg production and make for lower broodiness, says a correspondent in Wallace's Farmer. Growing chicks apparently desire variety, and like moistened mash as a change. Fed plain, moistened with water, or better yet milk, it aids both growth and fleshing.

Dressing Turkeys

In deciding whether to sell turkeys 'alive or dressed one can safely estimate that there is a shrinkage of approximately 10 per cent in the loss of blood and feathers and 25 per cent in full drawn turkeys. When growers market dressed turkeys it is necessary to withhold feed for 18 to 24 hours before they are killed. It is a good practice to confine them to a laying house at noon the day before any of them are killed. A liberal supply of water should be provided.

Keep Birds Well

Many causes contribute to the laying of small eggs. Late hatching and forcing for autumn production are no doubt often responsible, while the hereditary factor is not to be overlooked, says a writer in the Los Angeles Times. Overfat hens usually lay such eggs. Some poultrymen advise using for hatching only eggs that weigh two and one-quarter ounces each and believe the only cockerels used in breeding pens should be those from a hen known to lay large eggs.

Personals -- Society

Miss Mable Lane, of Whiteston, as in Hertford on Saturday.

Mrs. R. B. Jordan, of Star Route, Winfall, was in Hertford on Saturday. Ellsburry Lane, of Route One, was in Hertford on Saturday.

Mrs. W. E. Lane, Mrs. A. E. Spivey and Miss Ethel Jordan, of Route One,

were among the Saturday shoppers. Miss Allene Austin will return to her home in Durham on Tuesday af-

ter a visit to Mrs. J. R. Love at the Hotel Hertford. Mrs. Ben Berry, of Bethel, was in

Hertford, on Saturday. Preston White has accepted a posttion in Norfolk, Va.

Miss Dorcas Knowles, who is a student at G. C. C. W., Greensboro, will spend the Thanksgiving holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. L.

Miss Vida Banks, of New Hope, was in town on Friday.

J. M. Benton, of Route 3, was in Hertford on Friday.

L. N. Hollowell made a business trip to Kinston on Friday.

Mrs. John Chalk is in Charlotte to spend Thanksgiving with her daughter, Miss Louise Chalk, who is teacher there.

Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Banks, of Norfolk, Va., will spend Thanksgiving as the guests of Mrs. Banks' mother, Mrs. R. Q. Skinner.

E. S. Pierce, of Elizabeth City, was in Hertford on Friday afternoon.

Miss Josephine Hefren, who is a student at the Washington Secretarial School, Washington, D. C., is here to spend the Thanksgiving holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Hefren.

Miss Sara Maie Winslow, who teaches in Greensboro, is spending the Thanksgiving holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Winslow, at

Miss Joyce Stokes, who is a teacher at G. C. W., Greensboro, will spend the Thanksgiving holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Stokes.

Rev. and Mrs. B. P. Robinson expect to have as guests for Thanksgiving their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. D. R. Allen and two children, Shirley and Bobby; and their son, Ben Robinson, all of Raeford.

Superintendent F. T. Johnson and Mrs. Johnson will leave Wednesday to spend the Thanksgiving holidays with relatives at Sanford.

Miss Esther Evans, of the Per-quimans High School faculty, will spend the Thanksgiving holidays with her father, Z. W. Evans, in Chowan County.

Miss Maude Pridgen of the Perquimans High School faculty, expects to spend Thanksgiving with her family at Albemarle.

Zack White is on the sick list this

E. M. Perry of New Hope made a business trip to Hertford on Monday. Miss Lottie Lee Blanchard of Elizabeth City visited her mother, Mrs. Mamie Blanchard, over the week-end.

William E. White, Jr., who has been sick for the past week, is convalescent.

Miss Mary Glasson of the Perquimans school faculty, expects to spend the holidays with her parents at Durham.

Miss Nancy Woods of the Perquimans High School faculty, underwent an operation for appendicitis on Friday at the Protestant Rospital in Norfolk.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Horton of Plymouth will spend Thanksgiving day with Mrs. Horton's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Nixon.

Mrs. Edwin McMullan and her little daughter, Edwina, of New Bern, were recent guests of Mrs. W. T. McMullan, in Hertford.

Rev. M. Y. Self, of Laurinburg, former pastor of the Hertford Methodist Church, and Mrs. Self, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Stokes this

Mr. and Mrs. Josiah Elliott will spend Thanksgiving Day with Mrs. Elliott's brother, W. R. Sawyer, in Elizabeth City.

Rev. and Mrs. B. P. Robinson, Miss Ruth Robinson and Miss Bernice White spent Tuesday in Norfolk, Va.

Rev. A. A. Butler and Mrs. Butler left Wednesday to spend Thanksgiving with Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Butler, in Washington, D. C.

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BELVIDERE NEWS

Miss Syble Byrum spent Wednes day night with Miss Margaret Perry, at Woodville

Rev. and Mrs. A. A. Butler, of Hertford, visited Mrs. Anna Chappell Wednesday afternoon.

Mrs. Lewis McFarland, of High Point, spent Friday night with Dr. E. S. White and sisters.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayland White and children, Clifton, Wayland, Jr., and Jewell, were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Arba Winslow, of Whites-

Mr. and Mrs. F. C. White spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. R. J. White.

Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Winslow were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Winslow, of Whiteston.

Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Layden spent Sunday with Mrs. Layden's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Winslow. Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Winslow spent

White, of Whiteston. Misses Dorothy, Evelyn and Marjorie White spent Sunday with their

Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. J. L.

grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Winslow, of Whiteston. Quite a number of people from this community attended the Friends' Quarterly Meeting at Whiteston on

Sunday morning. Alfred E. Copeland, of Woodville, conducted services at Piney Woods Church Saturday evening.

ATTEND CONFERENCE

Among the Hertford people who attended the Conference of the M. E. Church, South, at Washington, N. C., on Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Pitt, Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Riddiek, Mrs. G. T. Hawkins, Miss Bertha Chappell, E. N. Chappell, Mrs. T. C. Blanchard and Miss Kate Blanchard.

ATTEND FUNERAL IN VIRGINIA

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. C. Edwards and Mrs. H. A. Whitley motored to Summerton, Va., on Sunday afternoon to attend the funeral of Mrs. Edith Virginia Freeman, 81.

Mrs. Freeman was a distant relative of Mr. Edwards.

WILLIAMS-WINSLOW

Miss Odessa Winslow and Mr. Howard Williams were quietly married at the home of Miss Bertha Smith, Pastor of the Piney Woods Friends Church, at her home at Belvidere on Friday night.

The bride is the attractive young daughter of Mr. and Mrs. DeWitt Wirslow, of Belvidere, and the bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Williams.

The young couple, both of whom have a wide circle of friends, will make their home at Belvidere.

ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED

Mr. and Mrs. W. N. White announce the engagement of their young woman and is very popular daughter, Myrtle White, to Mr. with a large circle of friends. She is young farmer, of Route Three.

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trimmed with a simple crochet edging. A white lamp shade is par-ticularly smart if made with mercerized crochet cotton as the tight twist of the thread and its sheen give it a gleaming appearance. Claude Williams, of Hertford, the at present a member of the sales marriage to take place in January. Miss White is a very attractive

force of M. J. Gregory's Store. Mr. Williams, who is a son of Mrs.



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