

E. L. Halsey, Jr., Has Successful Poultry Project

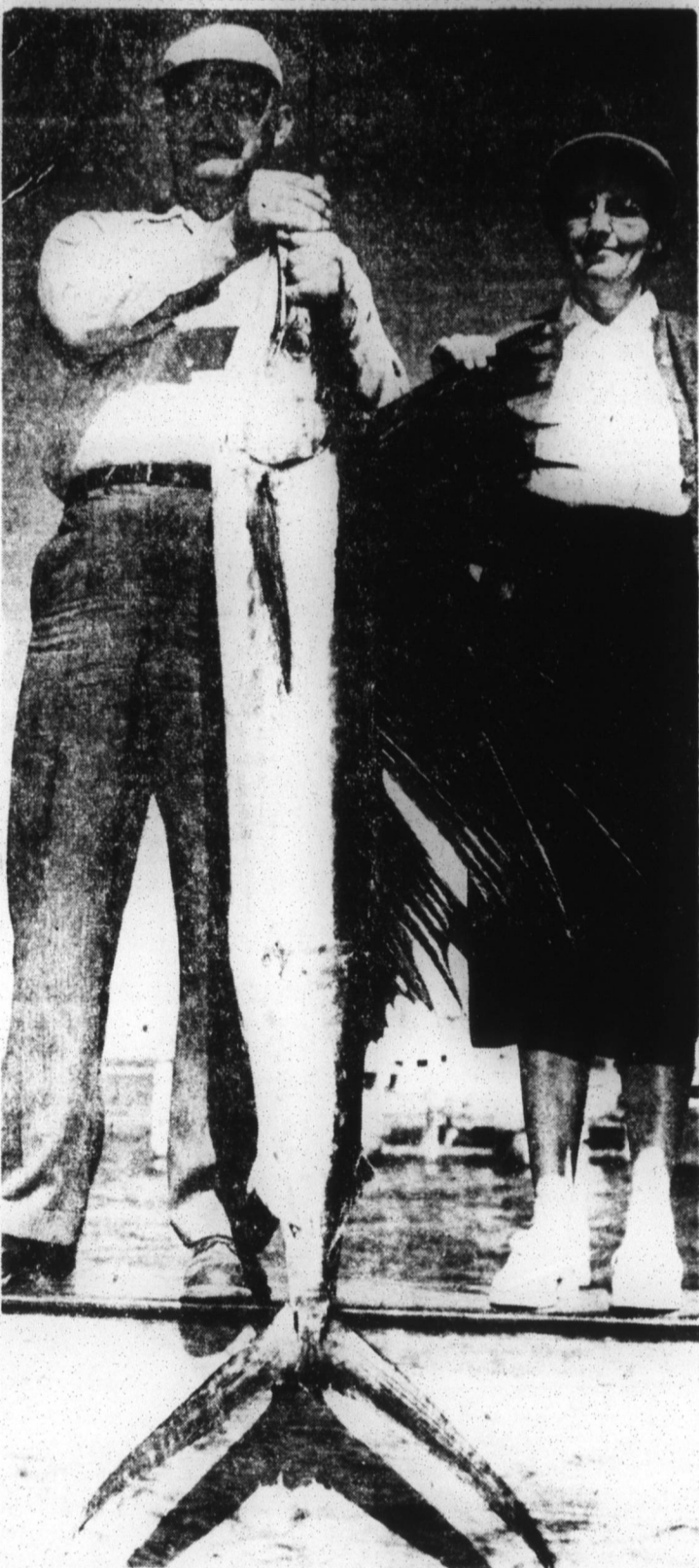
Uses Unusual Method To Determine Sex Of Chicks

Edgar Leon Halsey, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Halsey, who lives in the edge of town, has been very successful with his 4-H poultry project. Although his project has been conducted on a very small scale, his layers production has been excellent.

Edgar Leon, whose dad operates a feed store in Edenton, used a very unusual method to determine the sex of his day-old New Hampshire chicks. He had heard that if a person holds up a day-old chick by its neck for a minute that the sex could be determined by the chick's actions while suspended in mid-air by the neck. The pullet chicks, true to any female species, is the quieter of the sexes and stops struggling soon after it is picked up by the neck. The rooster keeps struggling and kicking until it is released.

Edgar is interested in trying this method in further testing. He was 100% accurate on his first trial. He bought twelve chicks and he sexed them himself from his dad's store last July. He selected six pullets and six cockerels. One pullet died at the age of one month. The cockerels were eaten when they became frying size. The five pullets left began laying when they were five months old, and they are still in production. For a considerable period of time these pullets were in 100% production. Edgar Leon hopes that he can increase the size of his pullet operation and still get a 100% production from his pullets. He is also interested in testing his sexing ability further, as he is not sure that it is accurate. Someone told him about this method and he tried it just as an experiment.

CHOWAN COUPLE LANDS A WHOPPER



Following their recent return from Miami Beach, Fla., Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Asbell proudly display a 50-pound sailfish. The fish, which was six feet and eight inches long, was hooked by Mrs. Asbell and, of course, her husband joined in the fight to land it in a boat. Mrs. Asbell has been made a member of the Haulover Beach Sailfish Club.

Extension Agents At 4-H Training School

to show how 4-H Club work in each county could be strengthened. The Chowan agents appeared on the program and told about the Chowan 4-H elimination day which was held on June 23, 1954. The meeting was very helpful in planning and strengthening our 4-H program.

Chowan Extension agents attended a 4-H Training School for the agents in the Albemarle District on Thursday of last week. The purpose of this conference was

Thrift Is Topic At 4-H Club Meetings

Meetings of 4-H Clubs were held at Rocky Hook and Chowan schools on Tuesday of last week. A demonstration on the "Wise Use of Money" was given by the agents. The purpose of the demonstration was to teach 4-H Club members the importance of planning the use of their money before their weekly or monthly allowance is gone.

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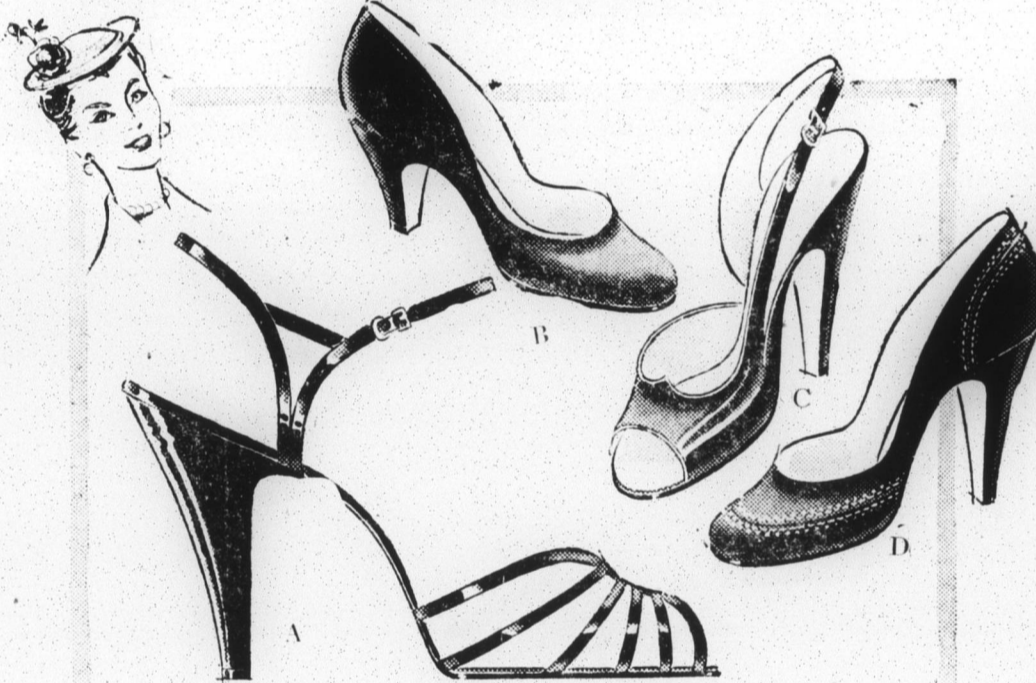
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