

Poultry Department

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Getting Eggs During Winter Months

Next to winning the blue ribbons nothing gives the poultry fancier as much satisfaction as to beat his neighbor getting eggs in winter. First in order one must have pure bred fowls. If you are a beginner you will not make a success with cheap barn-yard fowls picked up here and there. Better spend five dollars for five good birds from a flock that has been bred for laying than the same amount for ten ordinary mongrels. Among the various standard breeds it is not difficult to find one that is recognized as a good one for winter laying. Wyandottes, Rhode Island Reds, Black Langshans and the Orpingtons are all good winter layers.

The amount I give is a small hand-out to each fowl. This thrown into the litter in the morning causes them to scratch which gives them plenty of exercise. At noon I feed a mash, using warm water if weather is real cold. This mash is composed of the following: Equal Parts of corn meal, middlings and bran. With this mash is fed rye one day and meat scraps the next. This is fed in troughs and as much as the hens will eat up clean at a time.

Better Chickens And More Eggs

The average farmer gives his chickens very little care whatever, making them hunt for what little feed they can find, and generally compelling them to roost in trees or any place where they can get a foothold, just so they do not get in the barn or cowshed. These same farmers who provide good and comfortable shelter for all of their stock, feed them regularly and give them the best of attention, but when it comes to chickens, they seem to be left to themselves, pick up what feed they can find, and then if they don't lay an egg every day, they say that chickens are not profitable, and all the blame is laid on the hen. Now, the hen, in order to perform the duty that nature intended her for, must be provided with the proper feed and given the proper care and attention.

At night I feed all the corn or whole corn they will eat so they can go to roost with full crops. Outside of this regular bill of fare should be provided plenty of good sharp grit to grind their food; oyster shells to produce lime for the egg shells, and plenty of pure, clean water at all times.

Keep all moldy, musty litter away from fowls, as well as musty feeds. They breed disease.

Now is a good time to sow rape and rye for the poultry during the winter. Don't neglect this.

Spurs for Poultrymen

Watch the late-hatched chicks for lice and mites. If any are lurking around at all, they will seize upon the smallest chicks in full force.

Try some fall chicks. A few dozen hatched in August and September will greatly reduce the feed bill of the hens during moult, when they hardly pay their feed with eggs.

A chick marker is quite a useful implement in the poultry yard. By its means chicks from different pens or strains can be raised together, and are easily distinguished when ready to sell or mate.

It is a good plan to remove the chicks as hatched, in very warm weather, and keep them away from the hen until she is through hatching, as she is more restless in warm weather, and may kill the chicks.

Remember Greater Charlotte Poultry Show Jan. 16-19

B. S. Davis--President.

W. B. Alexander--Secretary.

POULTRY ASSO. TO HOLD MEET TUESDAY NIGHT

A meeting for the Charlotte Poultry Association has been called for Tuesday night, December 5th, 8 p. m., corner Fourth and Church streets. Business of importance.

The secretary takes pleasure in announcing that the show will be held in the big auditorium January 16 to 19. Attendance from many different states is expected. Not less than 1,000 birds for the show are assured. Judge R. L. Simmons says in his rounds of shows this season the indications point to 1200 or 1500 entries.

A large number of special prizes offered, some handsome and valuable ones on the list, as follows:

G. E. Price, \$100 silver cup. Hon. E. Y. Webb, silver cup. News Special cup. Oasis Felc Mattress. Bowen, Jardener. Lineback & Elam, gold watch. Selwyn Farm, \$50 registered pig. Cochran Bros, \$25 registered pig. Many \$5.00 special and a full complement of handsome silver cups on all breeds.

POULTRY AND COTTON

It is a question of what is the best way to get poultry on every farm in the state, and get the people enough interested in same after they get them to look after their birds and take the proper care of them to get results from them.

The farmers in this country cannot do better than to pay more attention to their chickens and make them better, as chickens will be high for a long time, and if you will add more chickens and give them better attention, you are sure to get results that will astound you, and it will certainly help you to get a larger per cent of profit from cotton than ever before.

You will not be compelled to start with all thoroughbred chickens, of the fancy show type and quality to get money of them, but if your chickens are high grade or off-colored specimens of the best thoroughbreds, they will lay just as many eggs and produce just as many pounds of flesh as some of the finest show specimens or even better.

If the average farmer would pay more attention to the utility end of the fancy poultry business, they would get far greater returns and much larger profits than they will by attempting to grow very fancy show specimens. To grow fancy show specimens requires more time and more capital and one is compelled to show his birds and advertise them to get the best results from same. It is not so from a commercial standpoint. The bird that takes on flesh quickest, the plumpest, and dresses nicest, and lays the largest number of eggs is undoubtedly the one that makes a big per cent of profit on the farm.

Mr. Rolston To Make Address

The Rev. Mr. R. H. Rolston, the new pastor of the First Presbyterian church, will be the speaker at the meeting for men at the Young Men's Christian Association building this afternoon at 5 o'clock.

Where Boys Will Be Welcome

Every boy in the city should attend the meeting for boys at the Young Men's Christian Association this afternoon at 5 o'clock. Mr. C. C. Robinson, boys' secretary for the south, will address the meeting. His subject will be "A Message From the Young Men of America."

Preparing Fowls For The Show Room

(By Thos. S. Allison in Industrious Hen.)

How to prepare fowls for the show room is a subject on which an experienced exhibitor needs no advice, but as there are a great many beginners that have never shown, they should profit by the experience of others. I have walked up and down the show room and seen amateurs taking their birds out of the coop to show friends in a way that is cruel to them, catching them any way, pulling them out and throwing them back in. The real fancier can be told at any time by the manner in which he handles his birds—but I have strayed away from my subject.

One of the first things to do in preparing for the show room, is to select the best birds and give them extra care. Choose the best ones, the ones that stand out and show the marks of good breeding. Pen them separately, as you can give them special and expensive foods, which would be too expensive to give to a large flock.

The Lincoln County Poultry Association held a successful show this week. Over 450 birds were entered. R. L. Simmons judged the birds.

METHODISTS WANT GOVERNOR TO ENFORCE LIQUOR LAW.

Bainbridge, Ga., Dec. 2.—The South Georgia Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church South, today adopted resolutions calling on the voters to elect a governor who will enforce the liquor law; and asking the legislature to pass the Tipping bill, introduced at the last session and aimed at the sale of "near-beer." Congress was implored to enact a law proposed by Representative S. A. Roddenbury of Georgia, forbidding the shipment of liquor into prohibition states. The conference condemned the use of tobacco and advised those ministers who "must" smoke to refrain from doing so in the presence of young men.

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WINGATE ORPINGTONS

L. W. Wingate, of this city, has a large flock of White Orpingtons. His winnings at the recent county fair show their quality. He won 1st pen; 1, 2, 3, 4 pullet and 1, 2, 3 cockerel.

The best remedy I have found for head lice, (and I have them exterminated on my entire flock) is a touch of grease on heads, then dust thoroughly a few days after with "Black Flag" insect powder. I tried many powders, but this I found did the work. For body lice, dust chickens thoroughly at dusk.

FANCY POULTRY AND EGGS FOR SALE.

EGGS—Single Comb White Leghorn eggs for hatching, \$1.50 per setting. G. W. Graham, Jr. Phones 271 or 2397. 2-604-t

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