

Keep plenty of clean litter in hen nests and avoid having to clean eggs before marketing. Salt should be made accessible to all cattle at all times.

Recent estimates are that approximately 108,000 North Carolina farm dwellings have electricity.

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One of the best methods of weed control is plant clean seed.



MARKETING with Marjorie

One of my pet theories is that more families would eat better breakfasts if we housewives would get more variety into our morning menus. So how about serving a different kind of fruit or cereal, or eggs fixed a new way tomorrow morning? Bet your family will sit up and take notice... and "seconds"!

CEREAL STARS

Some like them hot and some like them cold, but I find that everybody at my house likes delicious SUNNYFIELD CEREALS. That's okay with me because they're mighty nourishing and thrifty. Versatile, too... as you'll see from the package recipes. Try them! You'll find many varieties at your A&P!

THE EGG AND YOU

If you can answer these questions correctly you're an "eggspert"!
 Q. Are white eggs or brown eggs better?
 A. Shell color has no bearing on quality. The breed of chicken determines the color.
 Q. Should eggs be washed before you store them?
 A. No! Water destroys the film that keeps out air and odors.
 Q. Why are A&P EGGS always so good?
 A. Because they're selected and inspected by experts and kept at the proper temperature to safeguard their high quality.

BRIGHT BEGINNER

Syrups from canned fruits are rich in healthful vitamins and minerals, but I couldn't get my family to drink them till I hit on the idea of combining them with tangy A&P GRAPEFRUIT JUICE. It adds the extra zip these sweet syrups need... and extra vitamin C as well. I always keep a few cans of this refreshing grapefruit juice in my refrigerator, along with a jar into which I pour all left-over fruit syrups.

THIS TAKES THE CAKE

Looking for a dessert that's super-simple to make and simply super to eat? Then here's the recipe for you: Cook together 1 cup of diced rhubarb, 1/4 cup of sugar and 2 tbsps. of water till rhubarb is tender. Add 1 cup of your favorite berries, cook 1 minute and then pour over 4 slices of toasted JANE PARKER POUND CAKE... that wonderfully fresh, fine-textured cake that comes from the A&P and tastes as if it had just come from your own oven!



CITES WAY TO HIGHER YIELD OF SOY BEANS

Tests Reveal Certain Cultural Practices Are Necessary

Tests conducted by the N. C. agricultural experiment station have shown that soybean producers must follow certain cultural practices to get the kind of yields that mean profit.

The application of lime and fertilizer to the soil, in most of the 1946 soybean experiments, regardless of whether the soil was naturally poor, moderately rich, or very rich in these nutrients, resulted in increased yields.

The recommendation stemming from this finding is that the producer have his soil tested to determine its exact needs. Once these needs have been determined, lime in the amount specified should be applied.

The standard fertilizer treatment, and the one found most effective in the tests, is 400 pounds per acre of 0-10-20 or its equivalent, applied at planting. This season, the research workers say, it may be necessary to use 0-12-12.

Application of the fertilizer calls for special care. If placed too near or in contact with the seed, it may injure the stand. For this reason growers are advised to put their fertilizer in bands to the side and slightly below the level of the seed.

The experiment station has found that Ogden and Roanoke are, from every view point, the soybeans best suited to North Carolina conditions. Ten to 12 seeds per foot of row is the best seeding rate for these varieties.

Warns Danger Of Bloat In New Forage

Unless care is taken to let cattle and sheep get accustomed to the new spring forage crops, losses of these animals for bloat may become serious, according to a statement issued this week by Dr. J. E. Foster, professor of animal husbandry at State college.

Bloating, usually caused by hurried eating and gorging of a new kind of pasture, is due to an excessive accumulation of gases in the rumen or paunch. It results in a pronounced swelling on the left side, Dr. Foster explained, and may occur suddenly and grow continually worse until fatal. Regardless of the severity of the case, the animal should be kept under observation, he said.

"At this season of the year, and especially with the improved clover and alfalfa pastures," Dr. Foster said, "there is danger of cattle and sheep bloating, until they become accustomed to the grazing." He added that some cases have already been reported which probably could have been avoided if these suggestions had been followed:

Do not turn livestock on pasture for the first time until the rain or dew has dried off. Give the animals a feed of grass hay before they are turned on pasture. Allow the stock to graze for only about 30 minutes for the first day, and increase the time by about that amount for the next four or five days until the stock becomes accustomed to the pasture. Inspect the animals frequently, for the first few days after turning on pasture.

If bloating continues in spite of above precautions, delay grazing until plants become more mature.

Brooding

Of Chicks Continuously Proves Costly

Some North Carolina poultry producers are losing a lot of money each year through the continuous brooding of different-aged chicks in the same building, according to T. T. Brown, poultry specialist for the State college extension service.

Costly disappointment usually results when chicks of different ages are brooded in the same building over a long period of time without a break, the specialist declared.

Some investigators are of the opinion that the non-disease-producing bacteria found in the dust in the air, when run through several generations of chicks, become virulent enough to stunt the growth of chicks and predispose them to specific diseases. When continuous brooding is practiced under the same roof, even though solid partitions may separate the various brooding rooms, the chicks

begin to slow up in growth after the first few months and become unhealthy looking. In many cases, no serious mortality is experienced, the specialist said, but the chicks require several weeks longer to attain a marketable weight, and it is difficult to put flesh on the birds. This condition results in very high production costs and low quality broilers and fryers.

Better livability and faster and more efficient growth of chicks is obtained when the entire house is filled at one time with chicks of the same age. When the broilers or fryers are sold off, the house should be thoroughly cleaned, disinfected, and aired, preferably for several weeks, before more chicks are placed in it. This lapse of time tends to break the cycle of most disease and non-disease-producing bacteria that may stunt or kill chicks, he said.

State College Answers Timely Farm Questions

Q. How can chick coccidiosis be prevented?

A. C. F. Parrish, in charge of poultry extension at State college says to keep the brooder house dry. Avoid overcrowding of chicks. Add fresh litter often or clean the house often. Provide plenty of ventilation in the house. Keep the house and equipment sanitary. Keep visitors out of the houses. Do not visit poultry dressing plants or other poultry raisers without

changing shoes before entering your brooder houses. Clean and disinfect poultry coops before bringing them on your premises. Do not use second hand feed bags.

Q. What can I do to control the tobacco flea beetle?

A. A dust mixture containing one per cent rotenone applied at the rate of one half pound to each 100 square yards of bed is recommended. The dust can be applied through the cloth cover provided the cloth is dry and not resting on the plants, according to James T. Conner, Jr., entomologist for the State college extension service. This application should be repeated about every four days until the infestation has been checked.

Cryolite can also be used as a control on this pest. This material should be applied at the rate of 1 pound to each 100

square yards of bed in the same manner that the rotenone is used, and the application should be repeated at weekly intervals until the infestation has been checked.

Q. How can I prevent chickens from eating eggs?

A. The flock owner should provide at least one nest with plenty of clean nesting material for every five birds, according to Roy S. Dearstyne, head of the poultry department at State college. It should also be borne in mind that an unbalanced diet, as far as minerals and vitamin D are concerned, may produce soft-shelled eggs which will break easily. This leads to egg eating.

Foot-and-mouth disease, caused by a highly infective virus, is one of the most devastating animal diseases known.

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