

# COUNTY AND FARM PAGE

## COUNTY AGENT W. D. SMITH'S column

Some areas are offering rebating incentives to the seedsmen who will plant less acreage. This is the high point where that counts.

Those who want seed from me can get in touch with me at once. Watch for the special potato article next week in this paper.

The county agent has a few packages of Judy's root pot and will resistant tobacco seed for those farmers who want them. These packages will go to the first who call for them. Be sure the tobacco growers you plant seed of known quality and origin. A few growers had wilt in their tobacco fields last year and more had tobacco root rot. Give careful attention to bed preparation. Make the soil fertile with plenty of plant food. The standards that make the high quality tobacco.

### EARLY CHICKS

Conditions at present point toward the fact that at least as many early hatched chicks will be started this year as in 1933. This is probably accounted for by a number of factors:

(1) Increased employment consequent to larger buying power on the part of the public; (2) the fact that broiler prices in the immediate past have been somewhat more steady than had been anticipated; and (3) the relatively favorable status of the poultry industry which apparently is meeting every new prospect into it.

In starting early hatched chicks there are a number of factors which must be borne in mind. These include some of the general basic principles of good management which are necessary for poultry success and the factors which are exceptional to the usual conditions.

### FEED OF BABY CHICKS

The success of any poultry enterprise necessarily involves the quality of the baby chicks. Inherited characteristics such as vitality, livability, feeding and maturity, probably are transmitted from the parents to the young. To develop these characteristics in the products of the hatchery requires experience and knowledge of the various factors involved. The following are the basic principles of good management which are necessary for the success of the poultry industry:

(1) HATCHERY CODE: The hatchery code recently adopted should be of mutual advantage to the producer and to the purchaser of baby chicks. The code makes it illegal to sell chicks below the cost of production; regulates the advertising of a standard hatching egg, and

makes it illegal to keep more chicks than are actually purchased. It is a code that should put quality birds back into the purchasing public's confidence in getting the worth of his money.

### PREPARE FOR CHICKS

Baby chicks are a highly perishable commodity and very susceptible to adverse conditions. Brooder houses should be ready for their reception having been carefully disinfected prior to the time of the chicks' arrival. The floor should be well littered with a suitable, clean litter. The brooder should be in operation and properly regulated. Not over 300 chicks should be brooded together, allowing two chicks per square foot of floor space. Chick guards to keep the chicks near the source of heat for the first few days should be provided. An ample supply of chick feed should be on hand. Feed hoppers, allowing 12 feet of hopper space to the 100 chicks should be available and trough drinking containers provided to allow one-third of the chicks to drink at the same time.

### REARING EARLY HATCHED CHICKS

The starting of early chicks for broilers or for early layers very often brings on complications which are not experienced with later hatched chicks that have the advantage of sunning, range and growing green feed. The tendency toward leg weakness often appears as compensating factor, and is not present. Houses for early chicks should be provided with glass substitute windows which will allow the chicks the benefits of the sun's rays. If green feed cannot be cut and regularly fed, 5 per cent alfalfa leaf meal should be added to the ration.

Very often it is desirable to add extra fat oil to the chick mash due to the possibility of a loss of vitamin potency of the oil in the machine and this may be accomplished with little trouble. Only cold liver oil with gamma rayed vitamin A and D concentrate should be used. When chicks start to show leg weakness there is some underlying cause and all factors should be checked before the trouble reaches a serious stage.

### FEEDING NEWBORN CHICKS

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### Timely Questions And Answers On Farm Problems

Questions can a grower sign the Crop-Hog contract and still grow cotton land? A planter can plant up to 1962 in 1933?

Answer: Yes, provided that the land acreage planted to corn on the farm does not exceed the base acreage for 1932 and 1933, less the 20 per cent reduction required under the contract. This reduction, however, may be greater than 20 per cent but cannot be less. Where the reduction is more than 20 per cent the grower will receive rental payments up to 30 per cent of his base acreage for 1932 and 1933.

Question: When should calling begin in the poultry flock?

Answer: With the baby chicks. All crippled and weak chicks should be destroyed as soon after hatching as possible as such chicks are always first to contract colds, roup, or pox. They may also be carriers of diseases that will cause heavy losses in the flock. After this period the birds should be carefully watched for slow developing laminitis and underrun pullets or cockerels. These should be removed from the flock and sold as broilers on trays.

### Clubs To Celebrate 25th Anniversary

The twenty-fifth anniversary of the founding of 4-H Club work is being celebrated this year in North Carolina.

Club leaders are moulding the anniversary program to fit the national recovery program and make the 25th year of club work be a demonstration of its value to farm boys and girls said E. B. Ruffner, club leader at State College.

The teaching of thrift and an appreciation of the everyday objects of life, instruction and practice in the growing of animals, the keeping of little animals, records on the work done, a reading in trade ships and extension are among the principal features of the club work.

Great emphasis is laid on the value of maintaining one's health and taking care of the body by proper diet and other health habits. The care of one's self is also recognized as an important factor in making both boys and girls happier.

The first club in North Carolina was organized in Hertford County, organized by Dean E. O. Schmid, then was organized in Sampson County, and the second club in the state was organized in Robeson County, North Carolina.

For the last quarter century, according to Mr. Ruffner, the movement has grown into the largest and strongest organization of its kind in the world, helping farm boys and girls everywhere to maintain living standards.

There are 300,000 4-H clubs throughout the United States, and

Mr. Ruffner said.

Twenty-five years have brought many changes in club work, but all the changes have been to better help solve the problems confronting agriculture and home-making.

From the original idea of growing corn, the one movement has reached out to take in practically every phase of rural life through the teaching of better farm and home practices by the demonstration method.

### Parasites Must Be Watched On Calves

The early spring months are the worst time of year for cattle lice, particularly on calves, according to R. H. Ruffner, head of the State College animal husbandry department.

Cattle infested with lice cannot be thrifty, he said, and they frequently pick and rub their skin until the hair comes off in great patches around the tail, head, neck and withers.

The best treatment consists of washing the animal with a solution of one ounce of sodium fluoride to one gallon of water, Ruffner said.

The liquid should be applied over the entire body and worked in well with a brush around the back and sides and with a rag under the belly and neck and between the legs.

A day or two later the treatment, so that the animal will dry off rapidly. After the liquid has been applied the animals should be rubbed until almost dry, then allowed to stand quietly.

All manure should be cleaned out of the barn and walls and floor swept and disinfected thoroughly.

In inspecting animals for lice it is well to examine them closely around the neck, shoulder, back, and rump.

JUG ME, JUG MY DOG" SO BOTH  
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"Jug me, jug my dog" That is what Marvin Pruitt of Morganton, could have said the other day when Officer Ernest Whitman invited him to "come along and go to jail to get over a period of apparent indiscretions."

The officer made the arrest in the business part of town and scores of persons looked on as Pruitt picked up his dog of doubtful extraction, tucked it under his arm, and took it with him to jail.

### Some Facts About The Agricultural Adjustment Act

The National Recovery Act is passing through a transitory period. It is already clear that the day of merely individualistic and unorganized interests in agricultural production is a momentary economic function.

The future holds out hope for the Adjustment Act, the opportunities and

advantages of the Agricultural Adjustment Act.

One provision of the Agricultural Adjustment Act is subject to change as the principle of price parity based soundly on a balance between production and consumption. This principle, the American farmer and the American Nation should never forget. For the sake of the rest of the Nation we should fight to maintain the pledge made by Congress of fair exchange value on that portion of our crops which bear the heaviest toll upon human welfare," says the famous explorer. "If you can increase the value of your country's agriculture, or even a little, the scientific knowledge must presently be told in action living conditions for the hundred millions who live upon the earth, then you can be convinced that it is not silly to think that.

"To even an opportunity to sit down and talk it over I can guarantee that you will agree with us in seeing a major gain for humanity from our expedition far in excess of its cost in dollars and its risk in human lives.

"Our second expedition," he continues, "is to substantiate what I believe to be true in my previous flights. We are mapping off these areas on the basis of our defined certain territory in the name of the United States and it is also the purpose of the second expedition to substantiate the claim."

"A great deal of investigation is going to be done in these areas in the field of geology, geography, meteorology, glaciology, oceanography, radioactivity, magnetism, star drift, and tides and so forth. It is suggested to settle interest to study at least half a portion of the world that is still in the clutches of an ice age in its full flood tide."

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"Really," said the matador, "she must be positive and then I wouldn't let it."

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