

Poultrymen Urged Prevent Bronchitis

Poultry producers in Wake and other counties of North Carolina have reported the outbreak of bronchitis in their flocks of growing pullets, say specialists of the State College Extension service.

The disease is usually caused by the lack of ventilation and by the overcrowding of the birds into the poultry houses, and Extension specialists point out that it is advisable for poultrymen to open up their poultry houses during the hot summer months and provide all the fresh air

possible for the growing chickens.

George W. Wright of Raleigh, R. 2, discovered that his leghorn pullets caught colds, which later settled in the bronchial tubes causing bronchitis. The reason for the disturbance was the fact that the pullets became too warm during a certain night because of the lack of ventilation, Wright said.

The Raleigh poultryman went to work immediately to remove the disease, and fortunately he did not lose any of his birds. Wright has found that the spraying of an inhalant over the heads of the chickens at night has aided a great deal in relieving the situation.

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JACOB REALIZES THE PRESENCE OF GOD

LESSON TEXT—Genesis 28:10-22. GOLDEN TEXT—The Lord is high unto all them that call upon Him, to all that upon Him in truth.—Psalm 145:18.

Crises bring out the real qualities of man. When they lead him into the very presence of God, they become an experience, the remembrance of which can bring blessing all through life.

Jacob had such an experience in our lesson, and it is the more remarkable because he was a man whose life was far from commendable. His mother, Rebekah, had determined that Jacob was to have Isaac's blessing, even though she had to use falsehood to get it.

Jacob shared the deception planned by his mother, and thereby he received the blessing of Esau. Not willing to wait God's time for the carrying out of His purpose, they sinned to gain an advantage. Then to escape the wrath of Esau, he had to flee.

I. A Revelation of God's Grace (vv. 10-15).

The fugitive was overtaken by darkness on the second night of his journey, and made his bed in the open. Then came the magnificent vision of the ladder to heaven.

Heaven and earth are not separated. There is a way to reach the throne of God, and there is a way for God to reach and bless His people. The vision of the ladder reassured Jacob.

God renewed Jacob the covenant with Abraham and with Isaac. He does not forget. Men make treaties only to break them. God says, "I will not leave thee, until I have done that which I have spoken" (v. 15).

In His matchless grace God relieved Jacob's fears, assuring him of His protection and kindness by His divine presence and His uncertainty regarding the future by the promise of blessing.

Jacob's heart was deeply moved by his dream, and as he awoke to full consciousness, he came to

II. A Realization of God's Greatness (vv. 16-19).

Full of holy fear and awe, Jacob realized the presence of the infinite God. It is a proper and wholesome reaction when a man, realizing himself to be in God's presence, is overcome by the awe-inspiring experience.

Theologians, preachers and teachers have dared to speak swelling words of disrespect concerning His miraculous power, have denied the deity of His Son, and have questioned the authority of His Word. Having sown the wind of unbelief, they have reaped from the people the whirlwind of irreverence, a belittling of God, and a rejection of His authority (Hos. 8:7).

Jacob was reminded of God's immediate presence, "the Lord is in this place." The place of his vision of heavenly things had special meaning to Jacob.

The thing that Jacob "found out that night was not that God visits men, but that God is with man wherever he is. We expect to meet Him in the sanctuary, but He is near us in the market place. Not alone in the sanctuary, but where the multitude gathers in defiance of His law, He is there" (G. Campbell Morgan).

III. A Recognition of God's Goodness (vv. 20-22).

The God who would supply his every need, who would watch over him and keep him, was recognized by Jacob as being worthy of his devotion, and he made a vow that He should be his God (v. 21).

The grace and goodness of God are intended to bring men to faith in Him and devotion to His service. Yet men can go on year after year, the beneficiaries of all His bounty, and never so much as say, "Thank you," let alone recognize Him as Lord.

Jacob made a very practical and workable decision to demonstrate the reality of his vow. He promised that one-tenth of all God gave him should be returned to Him.

Many have followed his example and found blessing in giving a tithe for the Lord's work. Some who count themselves far better than poor, weak and timid Jacob have come far less to show their appreciation to God's blessing.

It is like that Jacob raised a storm of remembrance, and gave the place a name which forever after would recall not only to him, but to posterity, the wonderful blessing of that night. It is a great thing to keep fresh the memory of the occasions when we have met God in special blessing.

Trickery and deception were changed to truthfulness and devotion when Jacob met God face to face. The same blessed transformation awaits those who meet our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ in faith. Have you met Him?

State College Hints To Farm Homemakers

(by Ruth Current)

Tomatoes grown in the sun on healthy plants are considerably richer in vitamin C than those grown in the shade. Tomatoes produced outdoors have more C than those from greenhouses. Tomatoes gathered from the garden after a sunny spell will offer more vitamin C to family meals than those ripened during dark weather. Tests by scientists at state experiment stations show that the intensity of light on the plant during growth is of more importance in increasing this vitamin than other factor yet discovered.

Sunshine alone, however, is not enough. Undernourished, thirsty plants, suffering from loss of foliage, are likely to produce poor-quality, sun-burned fruit. Plants that are unevenly watered or have too much moisture at one time and drought at another are also poor in quality, even in sunny locations. Sunshine can add C value only if other conditions are favorable for the plant, nutritionists say.

Peaches are plentiful in all parts of the country. Commercially canned fruits will be short this year and point values probably high. Peaches offer fair amounts of vitamin C and, in addition, yellow peaches offer vitamin A. Because they are naturally sweet, peaches need little sugar when canned.

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Mattresses need special care in warm, humid weather to keep them from acquiring a musty odor or mildew, say textile specialists. At least once a week mattresses need airing, and occasionally sunning in bright, dry weather. Brushing tufts and seams prevent dust from collecting at these places.

A convenient time for the weekly airing is when sheets are changed and bedding removed. Stand the mattress up so that air from open windows can reach both sides. To prevent the mattress from top to bottom one week, and from side to side the next week. Making bed up each day without pulling back the covers may save time but does not save the mattresses. Body and head moisture matted up in the bed may cause a stale odor to develop.

A pad between mattresses and sheet protects the mattress from soil and wear. Heavy-made quilted cotton pads may be hard to find in stores these days but they may be made at home. Smooth quilts, cotton blankets, or old spreads may be used for this purpose.

Many good housekeepers also protect their mattresses with covers. These are made with boxed corners like square slip covers and with open ends. The open ends may be fastened by tapes, snaps and zippers. The same sort of cover for open springs protects the mattress from rust and saves

sheets from catching and tearing. Heavy muslin is a good material for such covers. Feed sack material is excellent.

State College poultry authorities suggest that farmers check their poultry houses to determine whether sufficient ventilation is provided in order to avoid excessive outbreaks of bronchitis in their flocks. Further information about the disease may be secured by writing to the Department of Poultry Science at State College.

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So, when he invited us over after work to drink a toast to

his son in a sparkling glass of beer—I couldn't help toasting Pete Senior, too.

From where I sit, there's more than one kind of "ace" that's helping win this war... men like Pete Senior, too. And when the war is over, and the monuments are erected to its heroes, I hope they don't forget the workman on the home front—the man who stuck to his job like a soldier to his guns, until the Victory.

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