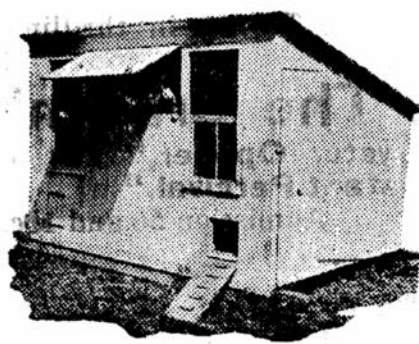


The time of year is close at hand when two of the worst enemies of poultry will make their appearance—hot weather and vermin. No one can guarantee that the season's hatch will be saved, but there are precautions the use of which will help materially



The colony house here shown is in use at the government poultry farm at Beltsville, Md. The wire screened windows admit both light and air and at the same time keep out poultry enemies. The swinging shutter may be raised in good weather and is also provided with wire screens.

In saving the chicks. Proper feeding is essential, but many well fed fowls succumb to filth and vermin.

Though cleanliness should always be practiced, the warmer the weather the greater the need for thoroughness in this particular. The houses should be cleaned and disinfected often enough to keep the presence of disturbers at the minimum. Other conditions being equal, a clean, well ventilated chicken house will do much toward promoting health in the flock.

The drinking pans or troughs should also receive frequent and thorough attention. It is not enough to rinse them daily with cold water. They should be scoured and scalded. The generous use of soda in the scalding water will be very effective.

The use of air slaked lime on the floor of the house after cleaning will act as a germicide, give the place a clean, healthful odor and discourage insect pests. Reliable lice paint on roosts and nesting boxes is also an effective health agent. The straw in the nests should be changed often and the fresh nests sprayed with a good disinfectant.

It goes without saying the chickens should be watched and at the first sign of the presence of disease or insects should be given careful attention that the danger may not be spread.

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(By Special Correspondent.)  
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Mr. and Mrs. T. S. Thompson visited at Moore's Sunday.

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Frequently colonies become queenless when it is not practicable to give them a new queen, and the best practice under such conditions is to unite the queenless bees to a normal colony.

On general principles the best plan under all circumstances is to try to have a virgin queen in each colony in the out yard at the beginning of the honey flow. Every man should study his honey flow and know just when it comes and at the proper time arrange to have the queens in each colony. It is well to have queenless colonies during a honey flow. When one has a virgin queen in that colony it is supposed to be a colony that is well organized, and more bees can be supported from the brood.

As soon as warm weather approaches go over the entire apiary and examine each hive to ascertain the condition of the bees. Usually a few colonies are found where the bees are all right, but the queen is absent. This is quickly noticed by the disconcerted action of the bees themselves, and then, looking further, we notice that no brood is present. Such hives should be placed under other hives, with free access between them. The queenless bees will readily unite with the colony over them.

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