

# For the Poultry Fancier

## Information Which Will Help the Man Who Raises Chickens for Pleasure to Realize a Profit.

### MINING SEX OF CHICKS

Mark by Which Pullets May Distinguished From Cockers After Hatching.

ANDERSON, Colorado Agr. College, Fort Collins, Colo.) The rapidly growing day-old sexing naturally arises. Many would like to order all pullets, or a given number of would be glad to pay an extra for this assurance. The Barred Plymouth Rock is told with a reasonable accuracy. The pullet has a yellow beak, somewhat with black. It is of than the cockerel and the dark and pink colored. The usually bright yellow legs and usually a coarse head and eyes. The cockerel is a gray color while the pullet is darker tip of the wings and spot the head are most noticeable. The pullet, due to the con- the deeper black. This can only be used to denote a couple of days. After all take on the one side blue color; the beak of the pullet fade out to yellow.

methods can be employed part-colored breeds. With red birds the best means sexing sex is the prominent

### Unmated Hens Not Warrant More Energy to Be Devoted to Egg Production.

It has been quite well established by tests that hens kept separated from male birds will produce more eggs than those that run with the males. In one experiment five hens, five pullets and a cock were put in one pen and five hens and five pullets in another. All were of the same breed and were given the same care. The experiment continued from January until September. The mated females produced 950 eggs and the unmated ones 972, a difference of 22 in favor of the unmated ones. In another experiment practically the same results were secured.

The theory is that unmated hens are not worried by the male and being more quiet retain more energy to be devoted to the production of eggs.

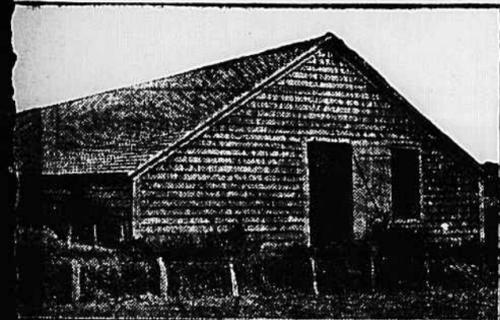
### LOCATION OF CHICKEN COOP

Place it on High, Well-Drained Spot—Avoid Cool, Damp Air That Keeps Things Moist.

In locating a chicken coop, place it on a high, well drained spot. Soil that is well drained is less likely to become contaminated with disease germs.

Air drainage is as necessary as soil drainage, so the coop should not stand in a low place or pocket where cool, damp air settles and keeps things moist.

### FITABLE DUCK INDUSTRY ON FARMS

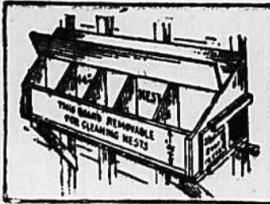


SUPERIOR DUCKHOUSE ON LONG ISLAND.

### CLEAN WALL NEST FOR HENS

See Shows in Illustration How to Be Recommended by Kansas Agricultural College.

Roomy, clean nests mean clean eggs. The Kansas State Agricultural college advocates the use of the nest shown. Dirty nests are generally caused by the fowls roosting on the edge of the nests and allowing droppings to fall in, or by the hens waiting at the edge of their favorite nest for another hen to get through laying, and fouling the side of the nest with



Wall Nest for Layers.

droppings as they wait. In the nest illustrated, the sliding door at one end may be shut at night. This will keep the birds from roosting on the nests. The narrow board by which the hens enter the nests allows their droppings to fall on the floor instead of accumulating to soil their feet and then the eggs. The removable board on the front of the nests makes them convenient to clean.

### POULTRY AS INSECT HUNTERS

Few Will Pick Up much Food When Turned Loose in Fields—Turkeys Like Grasshoppers.

The poultry that is turned loose in the fields these days will pick up a lot of valuable feed that will not cost you a cent. This feed, consisting largely of insects, makes valuable poultry feed in two ways, as it not only nourishes the poultry, but is thereby prevented from eating and otherwise destroying your crops.

Turkeys are especially fine insect hunters and are among the best hunters of the grasshopper.

### CANDLE AND GRADE ALL EGGS

Farmer Cannot Afford to Produce Best and Take Flat "Case-Count" Price for Product.

Insist that your buyer candle and grade your eggs and that he pay a premium for "firsts" over "seconds." You cannot afford to produce the best and take a flat "case-count" price along with the producers of small, dirty, stale, inferior eggs.

# BEWARE OF PICKPOCKETS



—AND JES THINK THEM WIMMEN THINKS THEY KNOWS ENOUGH T VOTE. I SAY A WIMMENS PLACE IS IN T HOME, AN—

Who Gets It? California has produced a lemon which weighs three pounds and is eighteen and one-half inches in circumference. It must be an awful thing to be handed a lemon in California.—But "Times."

He Knew. "Mr. Fusser," said the professor, "can you tell me the meaning of the title 'Sir'?" "I don't know the exact meaning," replied the student, "but that's what a girl says when the wrong chap kisses her."

Able to Afford It. Hub—"The doctor says that if I keep on working at this pace after money I shall be a wreck at forty-five." Wife—"Never mind, dear; by that time we shall be able to afford it."—Boston Transcript.

Expected the Professor. "Hub, the wife, says that if I keep on working at this pace after money I shall be a wreck at forty-five." Wife—"Never mind, dear; by that time we shall be able to afford it."—Boston Transcript.

Mixed Marriage. The types will often play pranks with what a reporter tries to say— for example, in this extract from an English newspaper: "The bride was given away by her father, weep a dream of pale bridegroom. She was attended by the hat, and carried a bouquet, the gift of the pink tulle and a large dark-blue bridegroom's two little pieces." No wonder, says London Opinion, the large dark-blue bridegroom turned pale!

Out of the Question. Daddy—"Jeannette, if I allow young Simpson to become my son-in-law, do you suppose he will be willing to work and support you?" Jeannette—"Oh dad, how can he when he has promised to do nothing but think of me all the time?"—Puck.



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