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PEMISCOT FARM BUREAU NEWS

Prices Justify Earlier Hatching.

Egg prices during recent years have reached their peak during the last few weeks of November and the first weeks in December and have declined very rapidly after January 1st. As a rule egg prices begin to climb about the first of September and are highest during the fall months, with the lowest point often being reached in February. This condition results from the fact that egg production falls off heavily during the fall months from the mature hens on account of the molting period starting and pullets are not near enough matured to lay many eggs at that season. Then about February 1st the old hens have finished the molt and are coming back into heavy production while even late hatched pullets are beginning to show signs of laying, so that a flood of fresh eggs comes on to the general market before the stored eggs are entirely disposed of, with the result that the market breaks and quite a ten goes to a figure below the actual standard of values which is established during April when eggs are going into cold storage in large quantities. On account of these conditions an opportunity is offered to wide awake poultry keepers to take advantage of the low egg prices in February to set their incubators somewhat earlier than is usual, and to hatch their chicks in the early part of the season. This procedure will probably result in the early hatched pullets undergoing an early winter molt but what figures are available indicate that the high priced fall eggs will more than offset the time that will be lost during December on account of the molt.

It is especially true in the case of the later months because the birds must be kept more or less closely confined, and exposure of eggs to cold weather is likely to injure the hatching qualities. However, when eggs are very cheap in February, as they were last year, the poultry keepers probably will find it profitable to risk somewhat poorer hatches than can be expected later in order to get pullets that will lay during the fall and also to have cockerels ready to sell on the highest market for broilers about June 1st.

March is usually considered the best month for hatching Plymouth Rocks, Wyandottes and Rhode Island Reds, and April is the most favorable time for hatching Leghorns, but the present price tendency appears to warrant earlier hatching for a part of the flock on every farm in order to take advantage of the high fall prices for eggs.

Care of Breeding Flock:

Every poultry keeper who is trying to improve his flock either in the matter of laying ability or show qualities ought to maintain a special breeding flock to provide the eggs for hatching. In this breeding flock should be found the very best females from the entire flock, mated to outstanding males. Better results are usually secured where only mature hens are used as the females for the breeding flock, but where not enough hens of good quality are available to furnish eggs needed for hatching, the best well matured, early hatched pullets can safely be included as breeders.

Success in hatching eggs depends to a considerable extent upon the physical condition of the breeding flock. Hens that are in poor health that are over fat, that are too closely confined, or that are very thin will not lay eggs that will hatch well. The breeding flock ought to be given the best housing conditions and be fed on a ration that is planned to keep the birds in good health, and at the same time furnish proper nutrients needed for making eggs. The same ration commonly fed to the laying flock to secure best production is also satisfactory for the breeding flock, providing not more than ten per cent of the entire ration is animal protein. There is no special danger of injuring the hatching qualities of the eggs by feeding a ration that stimulates egg production providing the birds are not unduly forced on animal protein so that they lose flesh due to a shortage of

fat forming elements in the ration. The Missouri standard ration of 10 pounds of corn and 5 pounds of oats daily for each 100 hens, supplemented by 3 pounds of bran, 3 pounds of shorts and 1 1/2 pounds of commercial meat scrap or tankage as a dry mash is a satisfactory ration for the breeding flock and does not contain enough protein to injure the fertility or hatchability of the eggs.

One of the most common mistakes made by poultry keepers who have a special breeding flock is that the flock is kept closely confined in a small pen. In most cases this is entirely unnecessary; and a much better provision than penning the breeding flock is to alternate the range, giving the breeders entirely free range on every second day and keeping them confined when the commercial flock has the range.

Howard Summarizes Conference.

Reviewing the work of the Conference and its bearing on the future of organized agriculture, the President of the American Farm Bureau Federation says:

"The national agricultural conference will go down into history as the farthest reaching conference of farmers ever held. The topics featured, of course, was the address of the President of the United States and the commitments which it contained of the administration's attitude toward agriculture. Probably no chief executive of the nation has previously indicated so deep and sincere an interest in the farmers' welfare. President Harding recognized the importance of agriculture at the present time, stressed the outstanding importance of agriculture in our national life, and showed that the farmer must have a credit system adapted to his needs; that the best way to improve the farmer's condition is to come out from the development of co-operative marketing; favored a scientific limitation of production and pointed out the dignity of the profession.

"The President's address is a challenge to progress the order of the day in the United States. It is a challenge to the American Farm Bureau Federation. The Farm Bureau will undertake to organize the 12,000,000 of the nation and unite them in a strong commodity marketing organization, which will improve the distribution of food to the highest benefit of both consumer and producer. We want to bring the cater and the grower together."

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FAMOUS SURGEON GETS U. S. LICENSE



Certain physicians made it hot for Dr. Lorenz, the most famous "bloodless" surgeon in the world, when he came to America from Austria to treat little children suffering from hip diseases. They said he had no license to practice. Finally New York State issued one to him, and the picture shows him with the important document in hand.

COMPANY "C" INSPECTED TUESDAY NIGHT

Adjutant General W. A. Raupp of Jefferson City, Colonel W. L. Mabrey of Cape Girardeau and Majors Mitchell and Lockett of the regular army, were in town Tuesday inspecting Company "C." The inspection was very rigid and the boys were graded by regular army standards, allowances being made for their drilling once a week, however. The boys were able to come up to the work, thanks to the good work of the officers and non-com's, and should make an excellent showing at camp next August.

The General was well satisfied with the company and its work, but said they must have a larger armory.

Capt. Raupp accompanied the inspectors to the place where they inspected Company "C" Wednesday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Brittin, Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Reinhard and Mr. Herman Reynolds attended the Valentine Dance given by the Ladies of Caruthersville Tuesday evening.

Geo. B. Webb was in town Saturday, seeing after business matters.

CIVIL SERVICE BOARD ATTACKED BY SOLON

Washington, Feb. 16.—Members of the Civil Service Commission were attacked in the Senate today by Senator Caraway, Democrat, Arkansas, who charged they were "prospecting their office for partisan purposes."

"The commission is lending itself to the most outrageous abuses," said Senator Caraway, citing Arkansas cases in which he declared the commission had raised examination grades of politicians who were seeking civil service jobs. The Arkansas Senator asserted the commission had refused to permit any one to examine the papers in these cases, and added:

"They are lending themselves to positive fraud. Their conduct is shocking."

Senator Caraway's objections succeeded in holding up temporarily a increase in the salaries of commissioners from \$5,000 to \$4,000.

A Pittsburg man shot his wife for a burglar, although there are more thieves than better halves prowling around at night.

The Wells Drug Company are expecting the arrival of their new "Knight" fountain in the course of a few days, at least in time to install by the first of March. It is a beauty, as all who have seen the famous "Knight" know. This is another indication that Hayti is on the up-grade. While we are not growing like Jack's bean stalk, we are growing surely, which is the most healthful, after all.

Senator Von Mayes of Caruthersville attended to legal business here today. Somebody said Von acted like he was a candidate. Noap That is just his way of acting all the time. He couldn't be any other way if he wanted to. Friendliness is what he is made out of.

Miss Lillian Elliston returned this afternoon from Senath, where she has been spending the week visiting her friend, Mrs. W. H. Ellis. Mrs. Ellis orders The Herald sent to her address.

Tom Warth, who has been spending the last few weeks visiting relatives and friends here, returned to Flat River Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Slaughter came down from Chaffee Sunday afternoon and visited friends, returning that night.

A. G. Pickens of Holcomb spent the week end with his parents Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Pickens.

Eddie B. Martin of Lepanto, Ark. visited with relatives and friends here several days this week.

Miss Lueonia Sanders of Concord spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Drewe Sanders.

Senator Von Mayes was on our streets a few hours last Friday evening.

Miss Mary Davis spent the week end visiting Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Slaughter at Chaffee.

Mr. J. H. Baird attended to business in Caruthersville Wednesday.

Hall Puckett visited relatives and friends in New Madrid last week.

Mrs. M. C. Mitchell is on the sick list this week.

WEST POINT TO TO ANNAPOLIS

Vacancies in this Congressional district will necessitate the appointment next summer of either a cadet to the United States Military Academy at West Point, and of three midshipmen to the United States Naval Academy at Annapolis.

In order that all young men in the district who desire to do so may compete for these appointments, Congressman Edward D. Hays gives the following information in regard to the vacancies:

"On account of the large number of vacancies occurring at this time, I have decided to determine the appointments by an open competitive examination. The U. S. Civil Service Commission has agreed to conduct the examination for me, and it will be held on Saturday, the 11th day of March, 1922. In order that applicants from all counties in the district may have the most convenient access to places where examining boards are located, the commission has designated the following points at which the examination may be taken on that day, namely: Cape Girardeau, Sikeston, Caruthersville, Poplar Bluff, West Plains, Mountain Grove, Springfield and Aurora. Each applicant may appear at either place above named. The educational test is substantially the same as required for graduation from an accredited High School.

"West Point applicants must be between the ages of seventeen and twenty-one years on July 1, 1922, with a minimum height of 5 feet, 4 inches, and minimum weight of 110 pounds.

"Annapolis applicants must be between the ages of sixteen and twenty years on April 1, 1922, with minimum height of 5 feet, 4 inches, and minimum weight of 11 pounds.

"All applicants must be bona fide residents of the Fourteenth Missouri Congressional district.

"Principals for the four appointments will be named according to the highest grades, and alternates will be named in order of rank according to grade.

"The appointee to West Point will not be required to pass any literary entrance examination, but must have a certificate of graduation from an accredited high school; and must pass a physical entrance examination.

"The appointee of West Point will be required to pass a later mental and physical examination, which may be taken on April 19, 1922, at the same place where the appointment examination is held.

"Applicants may be examined for either position, and further information will be furnished upon request.

Congressman Hayes, in his letter to The Herald, further states that he will be glad to hear from prospective applicant. His address is 398 House Office Building, Washington, D. C.

FRISCO WILL SPEND ALMOST \$8,000,000.00

Embracing an expenditure for the current year of almost eight million dollars, the most elaborate program of improvements and repairs in many years is announced by officials of the Frisco Lines.

A great part of the work of rejuvenation has begun and the remainder of it will be started throughout the year, which means that millions of dollars will find its way into circulation, and that the force of mechanics and other laborers in Springfield, Monett, Fort Scott, Kan., and Yale, a suburb of Memphis Tenn., will be greatly augmented.

The program as announced by officials of the company calls for the spending of \$7,776,000 by the Frisco on equipment and maintenance, more than \$5,000,000 of this amount to be spent in improving the equipment, both freight and passenger, in bringing it thoroughly up to date and providing for the increased safety and comfort of the traveling and shipping public.

The howls with which many people receive increases in the tax rates, are only equaled by the loud shouts with which they vote for costly public improvements.

President Harding will summer in Alaska, not many people up there being candidates for office.

Names That Count In

PHARMACY

THE NAMES ON VARIOUS PACKAGES OF DRUGS AND CHEMICALS MAY MEAN LITTLE TO YOU AS FAR AS THEIR DIRECT SIGNIFICANCE IS CONCERNED, BUT THEY OFTEN MEAN MUCH TO YOU, ESPECIALLY WHEN YOU HAVE A PRESCRIPTION TO BE COMPOUNDED.

WE CARRY THE GRADES OF GOODS THAT CAREFUL PHYSICIANS INSIST UPON—AND IT WILL PAY YOU TO INSIST UPON THEM TOO.

IF THIS CARE IN THE SELECTION OF DRUGS AND OTHER DRUG STORE MERCHANDISE MEANS ANYTHING TO YOU, LET US SERVE YOU REGULARLY.

OUR REGARD FOR QUALITY HAS CAUSED OUR NAME TO BE LOOKED UPON AS A GUARANTEE.

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