FORD'S FEATHERED FOLK

Paradise for Birds Maintained by Detroit's Auto King.

FOOD AND SHELTER PROVIDED

Care and Protection of Flying Flocks Carried on at the Farm Where Henry Ford Was Born.

Every morning last winter a small auto wagon stopped before a certain bakery in Detroit. Two employes brought out a deep basket of the sort in which bread is carried. There was a mouth watering, but very unbreadlike smell about the basket. It was wedged into the auto wagon beside a number of round grain sacks. Then the vehicle moved away from the curb and disappeared in the distance.

If you had asked the two bakery employes about the basket they would have told you it was filled with hot flapjacks and stale doughnuts.

Questioned further, they would tell you the consignment was addressed to "Ford's birds." Thus you would learn one of the interesting things about the bird farm established by Henry Ford, owner of the largest automobile plant in the world and still more talked about through his decision to share $10,000,000 of his profits among his employes.

It is a tale of sentiment out of the practical life of a tall, slim, keen-eyed business man. He left his father's farm when he was 16 years old. But now that he is 50 and rich Mr. Ford has gone back to the farm where he was born, built a bungalow for himself and made a little paradise for the birds.

Even in midwinter when the migration of insectiverous birds has given over the state of Michigan to the bluejays, screech owls and hawks, you can find white-breasted nuthatches, downy woodpeckers and larks on the Ford farm. Although the surrounding trees were naked and the underbrush was buried under the white formlessness of snow this count was made one day during the last winter when the daily flapjacks were being hung at a bird feeding station there:

Myrtle warblers, 100.
Song sparrows, 100.
Juncos, 150.
White throated and white crowned sparrows, 40.
Tree sparrows, 100.
Goldfinches, 200.

It is a moot question among ornithologists as to whether insectiverous birds can become graniverous during the winter. But whatever the zologists may finally decide, Mr. Ford's bird keepers will tell you that early in March there were known to be at least twenty-two robins on the farm.

Oddest of Country Estates.

Of all the country estates of rich men between Bar Harbor and San Diego Henry Ford's farm is the oddest. It lies ten miles southwest of Detroit at the eastern edge of southern Michigan. Long ages which only geologists can tell you about deposited a rich shell marl sediment in layers like a great pile of saucers under all of southern Michigan. The top layer has been eroded by glaciers into a rolling plain punctured by thousands of ponds.

Standing timber, tangled with wild grapevines and rising out of a thick undergrowth of mulberries, chokeberries, sumac and blackberries, covers most of Mr. Ford's 2,100 acres. Maples, white oak, basswood, a little hemlock, elm, white pine, linden, poplars, beech, birch, cottonwoods along the streams, willows and walnuts give a shadow to chipmunks, honeysuckle, weasels, dogwood, woodchucks, asters, rats, viburnums, skunks and rhododendron. A score of ponds have been poured into as many ancient, morianal sink holes. There are hills and glens and some little streams, one of which has been dignified with a name; it is called the Rogue river. There is plenty of color and smell and music on the country estate of Henry Ford of Detroit, but it is the smell of wild flowers and the woods and the flitting color spots of unnumbered birds.

A thorough bird survey of his farm was Mr. Ford's characteristic method of launching his hobby in 1911. It was made by the late Jefferson Butler, secretary of the Michigan Audubon society, who was an authority on Michigan's wild birds. Its result was the finding of 106 different varieties of birds nesting in the Ford farm.

Acting on Mr. Butler's suggestions Mr. Ford began to equip his farm with over 500 bird boxes. Some of these were small, plain boxes. Some were bored out of logs, like woodpeckers' holes. Some were elaborate colony houses for martins. Many of the boxes were affixed to poles by vertical iron rods so that rats and red squirrels should not be able to disturb nest builders. Other boxes were affixed to stumps and trees and hidden deeply under the thickets of undergrowth. There are no caged birds on Henry Ford's farm.

Winter Shelters.

For the winter shelter of birds which would otherwise migrate rail and cornstalk shelters are built every fall and after each of them has housed hundreds of birds through the winter they are burned in the spring. These shelters are made by laying on the ground three split rails about three feet apart. Upon these other rails are placed crosswise until there are about six layers.

Other structures of split rails are made until end to end a length of some thirty feet has been attained. Around and on top of the rails clean cornstalks are placed until the rail layers are covered with a thick, warm blanket, which is impervious to water, but through which the birds soon learn to wriggle their way. Food and water are placed inside these shelters, and robins, larks and nuthatches are thereby dissuaded from their winter migrations.

Where the undergrowth has become thin the tops of wild bushes are often tied together to form a more adequate shelter. The autumn fall of leaves is left inviolate on the ground, both as a shelter and a means of giving a warning rustle at the approach of an enemy. Big roots of fallen trees, nest boxes, the thick underbrush and the feeding stations also afford winter protection.

There are fifteen of these feeding stations. All of them are equipped with trays arranged so that the birds can eat in comfort and the food at the same time will be protected from rain and snow. For very shy birds food is thrown on the ground and under the feeding stations.

Around the feeding stations every morning in winter the hot flapjacks and stale doughnuts are hung up on trees and shrubs and their appearance starts a bird riot. Hundreds of noisy, hungry birds quickly tear them to crumbs and the clamor frequently ends in a free-for-all fight between a score of bluejays and a hundred chickadees and grackles.

On trees nearby small cages made of finely meshed wire fencing have been affixed and they are kept filled during the winter with suet, which in a bird's gastronomy takes the place of worms. During the farm's first winter—1911-12—200 pounds of suet was consumed in these small cages. Woodpeckers, nuthatches and chickadees were quick to learn its value and the bluejays would carry it away in chunks if the wire cages did not prevent.

Hot Baths for the Birds.

Tepid water is supplied throughout the winter by an electric heater which has been installed deep in the woods along the Rouge river. Here at a long trough scores of birds bathe and drink side by side, showering each other with warm snow water. Feeders, however, will tell you of a solitary song sparrow which persisted throughout the month of January in bathing amid the ice in the Rouge river.

Besides these provisions for food and shelter throughout the winter summer food is supplied by the planting of crops which are allowed to go to seed for the birds. In the open places are patches of sunflowers which hardly have time to ripen before the nuthatches and the finches and the warblers learn to wiggle out the big seeds. For the quail patches of buckwheat are sown. Ten thousand fruit bearing shrubs were planted during the summer of 1911 for the birds. And this in addition to the insects and larvae which are present in abundance for the feathered folks who live on Ford's farm.

Henry Ford's bird farm has now completed its third winter. It has become the home of every bird variety which is native to Michigan and it has been the means of saving from extermination Michigan's prairie chickens, quail and pheasants. Hundreds of the birds have become tame and a few are absolutely fearless. Scores of nests can be found in a half hour, but not one of them is allowed to be harmed. In a strip of ground, 30 by 200 feet, close to his new bungalow, Mr. Ford recently found twenty-three nests of fifteen varieties of birds.

So Mr. Ford has sold his town house in Detroit, and gone back to the farm, where each morning the small auto wagon unloads its round grain sacks and its basket of stale doughnuts and hot flapjacks. During the last year Mr. Ford has taken an increasing interest in the passage of legislation for birds. At present he is interested in the enactment of a treaty with Canada for the further protection of game birds.

And if you were to ask Mr. Ford himself about it he would tell you that he is back on the farm for the rest of his life—back where the blue smoke curls up through the timber—back with the birds.—New York Sun.

The Infant Catechism.

A mother and her child, a 5-year-old, stood in front of a florist's glowing window Saturday morning. The rain was falling lightly.

"What kind o' business is this, mamma?" the little girl asked.

"A flower business, dear."

"Th' rain is good for th' flower business, ain't it, mamma?"

"No, dear. It's good for the flowers, but not for the business."

"And if there wasn't any rain would the flower business be good?"

"No, dear. There wouldn't be any flowers."

The child drew a long breath.

"Papa said we live in a dry district, mamma. What's that? But her mother hastily drew her away.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Foley Kidney Pills Successful for Rheumatism and Kidney Trouble.

Easy to take, quick to give good results, positive in action for backache, weak back, rheumatism, kidney and bladder troubles. As soon as you begin taking them you feel the benefit of their healing qualities. P. J. Boyd, Ogle, Tex., says: "After taking two bottles of Foley Kidney Pills my rheumatism and kidney trouble are completely gone." Safe and effective. Contains no habit-forming drugs. For sale by all dealers everywhere.—Advertisement.

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Gloves, Umbrellas and Hosiery at Most Pleasing Underpricings

Kayser Guaranteed Silk Gloves, in all colors, best values at, long, **75c** to **$1.50.** Short, **50c-$1**

A special lot of Long Silk Gloves, both black and white, on sale Saturday **59c**

Kayser Chamoisette and Lisle Gloves, long and short, black with white stitching or white with black stitching, at **50c** and **25c**

Misses' or Ladies' Umbrellas, union taffeta covers, tape edge, Sterling tipped handles; special at ..... **98c** and **$1.45**

Men's or Ladies' Umbrellas, linen tops, plain handles, special bargains at ..... **49c** and **69c**

An unusual showing of the **New Style Percales,** all colors, choice values at from **98c** to **$5.00**

Ladies' Silk Hose, in broken lots and samples, of values to $2.50, for, pair **98c**

Wayne Knit Silk Hose, in black, white or colors, on sale ..... **49c** and **75c**

"Onyx" Silk Plaited Hose, snap for Saturday, pair at only **35c**

Infants' and Children's Roll Top Socks, 25c and **12½c**

Children's Mercerized Hose, 25c values, in black, white and tan, pair **12½c**

Ladies' Underwear

Ladies' Muslin gowns, to $2.50 values, at **49c 98c**

Crepe Cloth, Nainsooks, etc., daintily trimmed with laces and ribbons.

Pretty Corset Covers, daintily trimmed, in two special lots, **25c** and **35c**

Italian Silk Vests, plain or band embroidered, also knickerbockers, on sale Saturday: two lots, **$1.45** and **$1.98**

Lisle Union Suits, regular $1.00 values, all styles **49c**

Muslin Underskirts, beautiful styles, made to sell up to $3.50, Saturday, choice **$1.45**

Many other splendid bargains in seasonable, dependable underwear.

Extraordinary Furnishing Goods Bargains

Men's Sample Shirts, fine qualities, newest styles, in silk madras, pongees, soisette, mercerized madras, etc., and made with or without collars attached, or with separate collars of same material; regular $1.50 to $2.50 values at .... **98c** and **69c**

Fine Silk Shirts that sell in a regular way to $5; splendid assortment, at **$2.98** and **$1.98**

Men's Shirts, made to sell at $1; samples, at **49c**

Sample Leather Belts, all colors; to $1 values ... **25c**

$1.50 and $2.00 Night Shirts and Pajamas in mercerized pongees, crepe cloth, etc., all colors, at .... **98c** and **69c**

$1.00 Muslin Night Shirts at **49c**

$1.00 and $1.50 Union Suits, all styles and colors, on sale at ..... **69c** and **49c**

$2.00 and $3.00 Union Suits, fine quality silk lisle, in all styles, at .. **$1.45** and **98c**

35c Silk Lisle Socks, all colors, guaranteed perfect, on sale at, pair **15c**

Over 1,000 Handsome Tailored Suits to Be Closed at Half Price

Our Great Sale of Manufacturers' Surplus and Clearance of Spring Stocks covers almost unbelievable savings in garments of splendid quality and unsupassed beauty of design. All new, fresh goods. Select early. In Cloak Department, beginning at 8:30 a. m. Saturday.

Tailored Suits, made to sell at $15, all sizes for women and misses, in newest styles and colorings, at—

$7.50

Tailored Suits, made to sell at $25, most choice style ideas in most most wanted colors and fabrics; choice bargain at—

$12.50

Tailored Suits, made to sell up to $40, including an elegant line of silk suits, all colors and all sizes—

$19.50

Over 200 Beautiful Coats, up to $25 Values, Choice at $10.95—Nobby street coats, afternoon coats, evening coats; nearly all manufacturers' samples, in silk moires and a fill line of beautiful wool fabrics. Choicest values shown in Omaha.

Several Hundred Beautiful Waists, Made to Sell at $7.50, Choice at $2.95—Beautiful lace waists, silk crepe de chine waists, net, silk, taffeta and flowered silk waists, immense variety of colorings and newest styles; matchless bargains.

Women's New Summer Silk and Wash Dresses—A showing that leaves nothing to be desired at **$10. $12.75. $15.00 $19.50** and up.

Children's Spring Coats—Made to sell at $5.00, new styles and colorings, sizes 2 to 14 years, at **$2.95**

Children's Spring Coats—To $10.00 values in the nobbiest new styles, colors and materials, **$3.95** and **$4.95.**

Childen's Summer Dresses—Most complete showing of new styles in Omaha. **95c $1.50 $1.95 $2.95** and up.

Children's Day Saturday

Children's Trimmed Hats—Regular $1.00 values at **49c**

A big assortment to select from. Milan shapes, trimmed with ribbon bands and bows, regular $1.00 values.

$2.00 Hand-Made Hats at 98c—12 dozen of them, pink, light blue and white, made of pyropeline braid, faced with satin and chiffon, and trimmed with pretty ribbons and flowers; full $2.00 value, on sale Saturday at, special, only **98c**

Men's Hats $1.35

$2.50 and $3.00 Values, at .....

We never saw the equal of these values offered at the price, and don't believe you can find their equal

Stiff and Soft Felts in the New Spring Styles; the surplus of a well known eastern commission house, all colors, plain or sash bands to $3 values, **$1.35**

Boys and Children's Hats, cloth or poplins, to 75c values in Saturday's sale **45c**

All Newest Spring Cap Styles most pleasingly priced Saturday.

Saturday Untrimmed Shapes

Made to Sell to $5, at **$1.19**

Over 25 dozen untrimmed hats in this lot, all up to the minute styles, including Bandeau hats, Watteau, Kelley sailors, flaring turbans and all most wanted blocks in black and colors, made to sell up to $5.00. Your choice **$1.19**

Travelers' Goods

Greatly Underpriced Saturday.

Matting Suit Cases, $3.50 down to **$1.00**

Values you'll find you cannot duplicate elsewhere in Omaha. Matting Bags, $1 values, 69c

$6 Trunks, with straps, $4.95

Several other special bargains.

HAYDEN'S

Garden Tools, Half Price or Less

Full size, good grade riveted hoes **10c**

Choice 10, 12 or 14-tooth malleable garden rakes, worth to 35c **10c**

10c garden trowels **5c**

35c lawn rakes **19c**

Rubber Hose at Bargain Prices

Every foot is warranted.

½-inch, 4 ply "Magnet" .. **9c**
¾-inch, 4 ply "Magnet" .. **10c**
½-inch 5 ply "Rosebud" red hose **11½c**
¾-inch 5 ply "Rosebud" red hose **12½c**
½-inch 6 ply "Cadillac" .. **13c**
¾-inch 6 ply "Cadillac" .. **14c**
¾-inch 7 ply "Liberty" .. **15c**
½-inch "Whipcord" moulded hose **16½c**
¾-inch "Whipcord" moulded hose **17½c**

LAWN MOWERS.

14-inch "Kutesy" lawn mowers, fully warranted, $2.98

14-inch "Congress" ball bearing lawn mowers $4.98

POULTRY NETTING.

We are Omaha agents for the double galvanized kind.

Lasts twice as long.

2-inch mesh, ¾c per sq. foot or per 100 sq. feet in full rolls **60c**

1-inch mesh, 1½c per sq. foot or, per 100 sq. feet in full rolls **$1.25**

SCREEN DOORS.

Any size, green finish, hardwood doors **$1.25**

Any size hardwood doors, oiled finish, fancy **$1.50**

Extens'n screens, up from **25c**

Knock down frames, up from **35c**

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Saturday and Monday Our WATCH FACTORY EXPERT

Will clean watches or put in mainspring for you for **50c**

We call for and deliver clocks. Inquire at Jewelry Department.

23 Lbs. Best Granulated Sugar for $1.00

Special Sale Flour Saturday

For Saturday only, we will put on sale 2,000 sacks of our Best High Grade Diamond H Flour, made from the finest selected wheat, nothing finer for bread, pies or cakes and equal to flour sold for $1.50 to $1.75 sack, Saturday only, per 48-pound sack **$1.05**

10 bars Beat-'Em All, Diamond C, Lenox or Laundry Queen White Laundry Soap 25c
16 lbs. best white or yellow cornmeal 19c
8 lbs. best hand-picked navy beans 25c
8 lbs. best rolled white oatmeal 25c
4 cans fancy sweet sugar corn 25c
3 cans early June peas. 25c
E C. Corn Flakes, pkg., 5c
Grape Nuts, pkg. 10c
All regular 12½c cookies, Saturday 10c
All regular 15c cookies, Saturday 12½c
All regular 17½c cookies, Saturday 15c
McLaren's Peanut Butter, per pound 12½c
Fancy Queen Olives, per quart 35c
Fancy California Seedless Raisins, lb. 7½c
The best Tea Siftings, per pound 10c
Golden Santos Coffee, per pound 20c

Strawberry Special Saturday—Pint boxes of extra fancy Louisiana Strawberries, box 10c

BIG SPECIAL BUTTER AND CHEESE SALE.

The best creamery butter, carton or bulk, per lb., 38c
Fancy country creamery butter, at, per lb. 36c
Fancy dairy table butter, per pound 33c
Good dairy butter, lb. 31c
Full cream Young America or Wisconsin cream cheese, per pound 23c
Imported Swiss or Roquefort cheese, per lb. 33c

THE VEGETABLE MARKET FOR THE PEOPLE

You Don't Have to Pay Hold-up Prices.

The best Red River Early Ohio potatoes, 15 lbs. to the peck 25c
Fancy new cabbage, per pound 2½c
Fresh beets, carrots, turnips, radishes or shallots, per bunch 4c
3 heads fresh hothouse leaf lettuce, at 10c
Fancy head lettuce, per pound 7½c
Fancy California Rhubarb, per pound 7½c
New Potatoes, per lb. .. 7½c
Fresh Spinach, peck ... 20c
3 large Soup Bunches .. 10c
Fancy ripe Tomatoes, per pound 20c
Fancy California Asparagus, pound 17½c
5 green peppers, for 5c
Fancy large Cucumbers, each 15c
Old beets, carrots, turnips or parsnips, per lb. .. 2½c
Fancy Cuban Pineapples, each 15c-20c

SPECIAL HIGHLAND NAVEL ORANGE SALE

No healthier fruit grown to eat, at, per dozen .. 12c 15c, 20c, and 30c.

Don't fail to get the best seeds that grow for your garden—Grocery Department.

Porch Furniture Sale

Large roll arm rockers, fibre reed, high back, well made, on this sale **$2.75**

Green or Baronial brown, worth $4.00 each, lawn or couch hammocks, round steel frame, adjustable head end, bed spring seat, heavy canvas, large thick mattress: you will pay $16.00 for them; only, at, Hayden's, one day **$10.00**

Angle Iron frame or stand couch hammock, complete with mattress, etc., steel spring, **$7.00**

Best couch hammock, without stand **$6.25**

Next quality couch hammock, only **$4.50**

Folding canvas cots, like used in the army **$2.50**

Babies' bed, drop side, white or B. M. **$5.95**

Folding white maple sewing tables, with yard measure inserted on top **$1.25**

Reed nursery chairs, with table **$1.25**

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Best sanitary couch made, **$3.75**

One-motion collapsible go-carts, with rubber tires and hood, complete **$4.75**

Big Clearance Sale of the Surplus

Spring Stocks of Two of the Largest Factories in Massachusetts, and One in Pennsylvania, at less than factory cost.

These shoes were made up for fine city trade and are the **last word** in styles.

Women's $4.00 colonials in both welt and turns, patent, gun metal and dull kid, **$2.50**

Women's $3.00 Mary Janes and 2-strap slippers in gun metal or patent, all sizes and widths **$1.98**

Men's $4.00 shoes, gun metal, button or blucher, tan English lace, all sizes, **$2.50**

600 pairs Men's $3.00 shoes, welts and McKay's, patents, gun metal, vici kid and mule skin work shoes, all sizes **$1.98**

Misses' and child's, boys', youths' and little gents' school shoes, **two lots, two prices,** values up to $2.25 ..... **$1.50** and **$1.00**

Children's shoes and slippers, turn soles, values 75c and $1.00 ..... **75c** and **50c**

Women's velvet and satin colonials, values up to $2.50, two prices, **$1.50** and **$1.00**

Stetson and **Crossett** shoes for men.

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The Highest quality No. 1 Lamb hindquarters, lb., 13¾c
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First quality Veal roast, per pound 16c
First quality steer pot roast, per pound 12½c
First quality pork shoulder, per pound 13½c
First quality pork butts, per pound 15c
First quality Diamond C and Star hams, per lb. .. 18½c
First quality fancy lean Breakfast Bacon, lb. 23c
First quality back bacon, lb. 13½c, 15c, 17½c
50c Palls Pure Lard, Saturday 40c
No. 1 Dry Salt Pork, per pound 10c

Fresh Dressed Poultry, at wholesale prices. We carry a full line of smoked and salt fish.

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Five (5) bars of Palm-Olive soap and 50c jar of Palm-Olive pure cold cream, all for 49c
10c Jap Rose or Saymon's soaps, per bar 5c
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Large size bottle of household Amonia ... 5c
Asepsia or La Trefle face powders at 75c
Houbigand's Ideal perfume, at the ounce, $1.25
50c White Rose or Locust Blossom perfume, per ounce 25c
Pinaud's or Hudnut's toilet waters, the 75c size, at 49c
Two bars of Williams' shaving soap for 5c
10c Shinola Shoe polish for 5c
50c size about 12 ounces, bay rum for 19c
One full pint of pure Witch Hazel and bottle for 15c
25c size of Sanitol, Pond's Extract or Pure Peroxide face creams, at, per jar 12½c
Four dozen of 5-grain Aspirin tablets for .. 25c
100 Dr. Hinskie's Cascara tablets, ... for .....
Castoria for children, for 30c
50c Syrup of Figs ... 25c
50c Java Rice or Pozzon's face powders, 25c
Mennen's or William's talcum powders, at 10c
75c quality household rubber gloves at 29c
$4 Wellington Combination syringe and bottle, guaranteed for 5 years, for $2.00
Moth proof cedar bags at 50c and 30c
50c size Lysterine for your throat at 19c

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Over 1,000 Pieces for Selection.

Fancy China Vases, Jardinieres, Brass Smoking Stands, Serving Trays, Tobacco Jars, Steins, Chop Plates, Plaques, Casseroles, Berry Sets, Sugar and Creamers, etc., values up to $6.00, while they last your choice **$1.00**

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