POULTRY FACTS

SAVE BEST MALES FOR NEXT SEASON

When the hatching season is over, remove the male birds from the flock but take good care of them if they are to be used next season.

"Infertile eggs are no better as food than fertile eggs but the infertile eggs keep better in hot weather," says Dr B. F. Kaupp, head of the poultry department at the North Carolina State college. "When a fertile egg is subjected to high summer heat, it will begin to develop a young chick. If this development goes on long enough and then the egg is placed in lower temperatures, the germ dies and a blood ring is left. This ring of blood settles at the lowest point of the arch of membranes which cover a part of the yolk."

Doctor Kaupp states that just as many eggs will be laid when the males are removed from the flock and so it is a good practice to take away the males from the hens as soon as the breeding season is over. Those birds not wanted for breeding another year may be placed in a lot where they may be fattened for the pot or for market. Those needed next year should be placed in a house with ample run where they may forage for bugs and worms and green feed. To shut up a desirable breeding bird in a small, dry lot with poor housing facilities, is to reduce his health and vigor and make him worthless for the next season.

Then, too, Doctor Kaupp advises selecting out the best of the early hatched young cockerels and keeping them for breeding purposes. Those that are square and blocky and crow early are most desirable. Early development means the transmission of high qualities of egg production and health. Such selected males should get plenty of green feed, mash in which there is animal feed and regular grain feed. Grain alone is not sufficient if best results are wanted.

Maternal Instinct Is Strong in Turkey Hen

The maternal instinct is especially strong in the turkey hen. If she is brooding her eggs near another turkey's nest, she will leave her own nest at the first cheep of poults. A battle royal will ensue between the two turkey hens, which makes the hen with the unhatched poults dissatisfied even when she is confined to the nest. We must reckon with nature. Put out nests for the turkey hens where they will find them; separate them from sight and sound of one another. Plan for her to walk in on the nest rather than to jump down. Put boards under the barrels or boxes provided for turkey nests to keep them off the ground when it rains. When the poults are hatched, if the hen is not cooped, make a triangular yard of twelve-inch boards and confine them in that till they can jump over. The hen will not leave them; they can be put on fresh ground every day by moving the pen, and the turkey mother can be trusted to protect her young.

Hens Often Injured by Toenails of Male Bird

Hens are often injured by the long toenails of the male birds ripping open the back. When this happens, cleanse the wound, apply a healing ointment, and cover with a pad of antiseptic gauze fastened down with adhesive tape. It is economy to have a large spool of the adhesive tape in the medicine closet. It tears as easily as muslin and is about as useful. Of course the feathers about a wound should always be pulled. If it is necessary to sew a wound, use surgeons' needles and white silk floss. The nails of the offending cock or turkey gobbler should be manicured with a file.

A foot injury for which the gauze pad and adhesive tape are useful is bumble foot—caused by a bruise to the sole of the foot from flying down on a hard surface. For this, if there is pus in the bruise, make two criss-cross cuts like an X. Press out the pus gently, add ointment, a pad and the adhesive.

Contaminated Soil

The soil where chicks are ranging is not as easily contaminated if it contains a thick mat of green clover sod when the chicks are first turned out of the brooder houses. A dense grassy growth of that type is not easily killed out by the scratching and feeding of the chicks. It furnishes plenty of green feed and brings some insect life and it does not become caked with fertilizer as quickly as bare ground, or ground covered with a very sparse growth of vegetation.

Place for the Chicks

We do not know of a better place for growing chicks than out in the growing corn fields. Their colony houses can be placed alongside the cornfield and if a good clover or alfalfa patch happens to be alongside the cornfield also, so much the better. Then they would have both sunshine and shade, grass and raw dirt in which to play, hunt bugs, fresh, green vegetables, etc. All they would need in addition would be a hopper of good growing mash.

How She Did Hate Cats

By MARTHA M. WILLIAMS

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"I HATE cats," Lucilla sniffed acridly.

"What sort—two-legged or four," Joe Dudas asked languidly.

"Both" from Lucilla, her voice even more edged. Joe wrinkled his brow deeply, then said judicially: "Give an example."

"You may do that for yourself—you can, without half trying," from Lucilla.

With a reflective chuckle he flung back: "Only cat I can really truly hate is that woozy Persian, the Baxters are so crazy about. Not because it catches young birds and breaks up nests, but for its fool way of climbin' too high—and refusin' to come down until I get a ladder and go after it."

"O, indeed. Who makes you?" Lucilla's mouth was grim though she tried to seem casual.

"Just my fool self," said Joey. "At least I reckon so. Got in the way of mindin' Miss Mandy when I went to school to her. Only body I ever was really scared of."

"Is that why you 'most always come here by the back road?" Lucilla asked. Joe giggled. "Did you never hear discretion was the better part of valor?" he bantered.

"I always knew it took a girl to be real reckless," Joe said sighing hugely. "That's how come I'm so shy of courtin'—some girl might say yes," he added, picking Lucilla up in his arms and kissing her swiftly—not once but many times.

She writhed free of his hold, white, breathless, a figure of frozen fury, eyes snapping sparks. "So you rate me along with the Baxter girls, and the other cats," she said grimly: "I ought to kill you for it—only it wouldn't help."

"Not the least bit—in life nor death," Joe said cheerfully. "Kissing, common or garden variety, never was a mortal sin—now it's a mere friendly civility. Still I draw the line—at the Baxter Persian at least."

"Go. And never come back! I hate the sight, the thought of you," Lucilla cried, pointing to the door.

"Not yet," from Joe, his face granite. "Not till you tell me what put you in such a temper?"

"As if you didn't know," Lucilla began. Joe broke in steadily: "All I know is—you ought not to mind that clutch of kisses—they're the accumulation of your years. You stopped kissing me when I went to college—why you never would say. You're bound to know we've been growing up to marry each other—I somehow feel that the Baxters are at the bottom of things. Tell me how they got there. By no help of mine."

"Nor mine. But I neither tattle nor cry"—Lucilla began, checking as loud excited voices sounded outside the front door. It was flung unceremoniously open revealing Miss Mandy, grim, withered lips narrowed to a line. Prue, reckoned the family beauty, and Patty a scrap of humanity, mainly nose and chin. Between them they herded black Aunt Sue, and Mrs. Toots, wife of the tenant farmer. Miss Mandy clutched Joe Dundas, crying aloud: "Git the sheriff, quickly."

"What's up? Let go, please," Joe said, wrenching loose clutching hands from the captives who shook like leaves in a storm. Followed a triple Baxter telling of the wildest, most impossible story—stolen jewelry—Mammy Sue the thief, Mrs. Toots the fence through whom there would come profit.

Jewels! What sort? Where did you get them?" Joe demanded sternly. Prue looked at him, staggered, pretended to be near fainting, then whispered: "Why all those you gave me—to keep till we got married."

It was Joe's turn to stagger—he steadied, caught Prue's hands in a cruel grip, and half shouted: "Give you jewels. Where would I get them?"

"From your mother of course—her corals, her string o' pearls, her cameo bracelet, her gold watch and chain. You as good as told me you were afraid to keep them—afraid Lucilla'd come and take them and never give them back—And now—they're gone! Stolen! Unless I can find them you'll say I did it—"

"Sorry to accuse a lady," Joe said with his grandest manner. "But unless you did steal them however did you get them? As for giving my mother's poor little bits to you, I'd rather have sunk them in the sea. Say," turning in suddenly upon Lucilla, "have you heard anything of this fairy tale until now?"

"All of it—and then some," Lucilla said coolly.

"And never told me?" from Joe reproachfully. "Was it for love of our mutual friends?"

Lucilla shook her head. "Because I'm not a cat. I don't scratch, tattle, nor backbite. I knew what game they were playing—if you were not man enough to see through, and checkmate—then you'd be a good riddance."

"Carried unanimously," Joe said in his most courtly tone—then to the Baxter trinity, "Go, and never dare again set foot in this house, nor in mine. Return the things you stole, right away—unless you do you'll be sued for libel—Mammy Sue and Mrs. Toots can take half you've got in damages to say nothing of the scandal. Do as I tell you—and nobody will ever hear a word."

And so ended a strange plot to get a man away from the girl he loved.

GENERAL STATEMENT

— OF —

RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS OF CARROLL COUNTY, MARYLAND FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30th, 1927.

(Continued from page three.)

Telephone	10.00	
Auto Hire—A. B. Sellman	$50.00	
Auto Hire, E. O. Diffendal	50.00	
Auto Hire, M. J. M. Troxell	50.00	150.00
Express Charges		18.00
Postage		41.50
Cartoons		4.00
Stenographer		20.00
Miscellaneous		5.30 248.80
Total to Exhibit A		$ 16,314.36

ERRONEOUS TAXES REFUNDED

Calvary Lutheran Church	$ 26.74	
Consolidated Public Utilities Company	100.00	
Red "C" Oil Company	267.66	
Standard Wholesale Phosphate and Acid Works, Inc...	57.94	
Total to Exhibit A		$ 452.34

HARD ROADS

The Barrett Company, Tarvia for Hard roads	$ 187.00
A. F. Arrington, Sykesville and Marriottsville Road	1,050.00
John S. Hyde, Smelser Mill Road	350.55
John S. Hyde, Wakefield Road, repairs	22.48
Union National Bank, account of Thomas Bennett, and Hunter, Hard Road Repairs	9,727.06
J. S. Teeter, Taneytown Road	1,058.78
Farmers and Mechanics National Bank, account of Thomas, Bennett, and Hunter, on account Woodbine Road and Hard Road Repairs	13,982.47
Central Trust Company of Maryland, account E. C. Valentine, on account Pleasant Valley and Harney Roads	8,871.75
First National Bank, Hampstead, account of Thomas, Bennett, and Hunter, Hampstead and Manchester Road	5,000.00
Union Mills Savings Bank, Road from Markers' Mill toward Silver Run	11,684.30
Central Trust Co. of Md., account of E. C. Valentine, Road from Detour toward Keymar	9,840.00
Hesson and Bowers, Uniontown Road	710.58
John S. Hyde, Uniontown Road	2,149.74
William Hesson, Uniontown Road	1,099.02
Farmers and Mechanics National Bank, account Thomas, Bennett, and Hunter, on account Woodbine Road and Hard Road Repairs	13,982.47
Citizens Savings Bank, Thurmont, account E. C. Valentine, Hard Road Repairs	2,048.09
Central Trust Company of Maryland, account of E. C. Valentine, Hard Road Repairs	11,750.00
Charles Garber, Keymar Road Repairs	4.00
Various Work Done During Year, Deer Park Road	1,553.47
Various Work Done During Year, Oakland Road	116.05
Various Work Done During Year, Salem Road	6,433.87
Total to Exhibit A	$101,621.68

INCORPORATED TOWNS

Hampstead:		
1925 Tax Levy on Banks and Trust Companies	$ 191.08	
Road Tax for 1925	245.57	
Private Securities, 1925	21.03	$ 457.68
Manchester:		
1925 Tax Levy on Banks & Trust Companies	$291.38	
Road Tax for 1925	182.90	
Private Securities, 1925	77.01	551.29
Less 2% discount		5.82 545.47
Mount Airy:		
Road Tax for Years 1922, 1923, 1924, and 1925	1,196.41	
Tax Levy on Banks & Trust Companies, additional	74.00	1,270.41
New Windsor:		
1925 Tax Levy on Banks and Trust Companies	234.00	
Road Tax for 1925	266.59	
Private Securities, 1925	114.06	614.65
Taneytown:		
1925 Tax Levy on Banks and Trust Companies	247.89	
Road Tax for 1925	324.18	
Private Securities, 1925	120.47	692.54
Westminster:		
1925 Tax Levy on Banks and Trust Companies	3,224.18	
Road Tax for 1925	2,306.24	
Private Securities, 1925	1,464.33	
Interest on Bank and Trust Company Taxes	96.73	7,091.48
Total to Exhibit A		$ 10,672.23

INTEREST COUPONS ON LATERAL ROAD BONDS

Issue of 1921 5½% Bonds	$ 1,815.00
Issue of 1922 4½% Bonds	2,227.50
Issue of 1923 5% Bonds	2,700.00
Issue of 1924 4½% Bonds	2,205.00
Issue of 1925 4½% Bonds	2,832.50
Issue of 1926 4½% Bonds	1,755.00
Total to Exhibit A	$ 13,335.00

INTEREST PAID

Banks and Trust Companies:		
Birnie Trust Company	$ 504.84	
Central Trust Company of Maryland, Union Bridge	3,520.83	
Citizens Savings Bank, Thurmont	61.44	
Farmers and Mechanics National Bank	746.57	
First National Bank, Hampstead	450.00	
First National Bank, Westminster	1,200.00	
Hampstead Bank	486.00	
Manchester Bank	1,520.33	
Pleasant Valley Bank	600.00	
Taneytown Savings Bank	1,356.35	
Union Bridge Banking and Trust Company	339.31	
Union National Bank	576.67	
Union Mills Savings Bank	484.90	$11,847.74
Others:		
Standard Wholesale Phosphate and Acid Works, Inc.		.57
Fisher Motor Company		28.00
E. C. Valentine		185.71
Total to Exhibit A		$ 12,062.02

LOCAL ASSESSORS OF PROPERTY

District Number 1 W. Bowers	$ 98.88
District Number 3 James M. Klohr	31.34
District Number 4 William Devilbiss	47.13
District Number 5 W. D. B. Hepner	103.14
District Number 6 Horatio Oursler	90.75
District Number 7 Paul Kuhns	333.98
District Number 8 J. H. Miller	159.24
District Number 9 Frank S. Bennett	40.19
District Number 10 Jesse W. Weybright	48.76
District Number 11 John H. Brown	41.01
District Number 12 William Wood	81.67
District Number 13 C. H. Smith	35.46
District Number 14 E. A. Conaway	39.90
Total to Exhibit A	$ 1,201.45

MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT

One 14 ton Roller, N. J. Walts and Son	$ 750.00
One Second-hand Premier Combination Scarifier and Grader for district No. 6, H. E. Neff and Company	350.00
One ½-h. p. Witte Engine for district No. 7, Medford Grocery Company	59.00
One Potato Planter for County Home, Farmers Supply Company	65.00
One 3-blade Western Road Drag, 6' Blades, for district No. 13, H. H. Meyer Company	50.00
One Fordson Tractor and Plow, Fisher Motor Company	1,400.00
Total to Exhibit A	$ 2,674.00

INQUESTS AND EXAMINATIONS

Robert E. Lee Hutchins, Justice of Peace:		
Impaneling Jury and hearing Inquest in case of death of Vernon Myers	$ 10.00	
Viewing remains and making investigation of Milton L. Price	5.00	
Holding Inquest on Wilbur C. Edwards, killed by Western Maryland Railway Company	5.00	
Viewing remains of Robert S. Harney	5.00	
Inquest into death of LeRoy J. Rausch at Eldersburg and Westminster	15.00	
Inquisition in matter of death of Charles E. Reese	10.00	
Use of hall, Lee Fritz, hearing	5.00	
Inquest of George Frealing	5.00	
Viewing remains of Luther Hayes	5.00	
Inquest of death of Clarence Culp	5.00	
Viewing remains of Ernest Warehime	5.00	
Viewing body of Elizabeth Hildebridle	5.00	80.00
Thos. H. Gaither, Justice of Peace, viewing body of William Six		5.00
Dr. Standish McCleary, autopsy, LeRoy Rausch	$ 50.00	
William T. Phillips, Sheriff, impaneling jury in inquest into death of J. LeRoy Rausch $3; resummoning $3	6.00	
I. Few McCully, disinterring remains of J. LeRoy Rausch	35.00	
Dr. M. D. Norris, autopsy on body of J. LeRoy Rausch	50.00	141.00
Dr. James T. Marsh, autopsy on Charles Edward Reese	$ 25.00	
Dr. J. Sterling Geatty, assisting in performing autopsy on Charles Edward Reese	10.00	35.00
Eugene Phillips, cleaning well on Solomon's estate after recovering body from it		20.00
Total to Exhibit A		$ 281.00

GENERAL EXPENSE

Ernest E. Wooden, on account of audit and report for five years' period from July 1, 1921 to June 30, 1926	$ 2,775.00	
Barton Gillet and Company, Printing Bonds	190.50	
Dalton Adding Machine Company, service contract	13.00	
E. M. Mellor, Jr., Clerk, costs in case against Thomas N. Rickell	77.80	
D. Eugene Walsh, cost and settlement of G. D. Mirely and wife case	39.40	
Forest Fires	16.30	
Maryland School for the Blind	200.00	
Total to Exhibit A		$ 3,312.00

INSURANCE

T. M. Anderson Insurance Agency	$ 50.00
Leeds K. Billingslea	109.40
Crawford and Company	231.10
Charles E. Goodwin Insurance Agency, Inc.	175.12
A. Frank Miller	80.00
Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Carroll County	43.14
Stoner and Hobby	81.35
Total to Exhibit A	$ 770.11

PAUPER COFFINS AND FUNERAL EXPENSES

Harvey Bankard and Son, Burial of George Bruce	$ 25.00
Harvey Bankard and Son, Burial of William J. Yahn	25.00
Harvey Bankard and Son, Burial of Charles. Gorden	20.00
C. O. Fuss and Son, Burial of George A. Frealing	25.00
C. O. Fuss and Son, Burial of Joseph C. Foreman	25.00
Total to Exhibit A	$ 120.00

NOTES, CERTIFICATES, AND WARRANTS PAYABLE PAID OFF

Repayment of Funds Advanced by Citizens for Roads and Schools:	
Birnie Trust Co., warrant dated February 8th, 1926 favor O. E. Dodrer, et al, for Mayberry Road, due October 15, 1926	$ 13,000.00
Farmers and Mechanics National Bank, Warrant dated September 30th, 1924 favor Harvey L. Frizzell, et al, for Winfield School, due October 1st, 1925	3,000.00
Warrant dated July 30th, 1924 favor Cookson, et al, for Uniontown and Frizellburg Road	7,500.00
Warrant dated October 15th, 1924 favor Cookson, et al, for Uniontown and Frizellburg Road	4,500.00
Warrant dated December 26th, 1924 favor Cookson, et al, for Uniontown and Frizellburg Road	2,743.74
Taneytown Savings Bank, Warrant dated February 8th, 1926 favor O. E. Dodrer, et al, for Mayberry Road, due Oct. 15th, 1926	8,500.00
Warrant dated February 8th, 1926 favor O. E. Dodrer, et al for Mayberry Road, due October 15th, 1926	4,917.81
Union Bridge Banking and Trust Company, Warrant favor G. Fielder Gilbert, et al, for Uniontown Road, due August 17, 1926	18,677.00
	$ 62,838.55
Other Loans Paid Off:	
Central Trust Company of Maryland, Union Bridge, Note of June 9th, 1926, due October 9th, 1926	$ 5,000.00
Part of Note of Oct. 9th, 1926, due April 11, 1927	20,000.00
The Farmers and Mechanics National Bank, Demand Note of June 28th, 1926	3,000.00
Demand Note of July 2nd, 1926	10,000.00 38,000.00
Total to Exhibit A	$ 100,838.55

PUBLIC PRINTING AND STATIONERY

American Sentinel Company	$ 154.08
Carroll Record Publishing Company	78.00
Democratic Advocate Company	90.05
Hampstead Publishing Company	80.83
Herald-Messenger Company	100.35
Pilot Publishing Company	79.90
Times Printing Company	185.60
Total to Exhibit A	$ 768.81

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