POULTRY

ITEMS CONCERNING THE RAISING OF POULTRY THAT WILL INTEREST OUR READERS

The great Queen Anne Hatchery has begun to pour forth into the marts of trade its great volume of living,breathing, fluffy bits of animated activity. From now on their output will be increased, reaching its peak about the middle of May and receding gradually from then on until June or July. This thrifty firm have recently added a new elevator to their hatchery, which runs the chicks and eggs from the cooling room, where the eggs are stored, up to the second floor, thus affording quick transportation from one floor to the other for eggs and chicks, etc. This hatchery is, without doubt, one of the most complete in the country. A visit to it by a great many people would be a revelation.

Mr. Thomas D. Bowers has some fine buff rock cockerels that he is selling at his Washington Avenue Poultry Yards, Chestertown. Mr. Bowers has good stock in this breed and does well with them every year.

Some folks don't care what kind of eggs they set. This is, however,a mistake. Large, well-shaped eggs are always preferable, when it is possible to get them. Dirty eggs, that is real dirty eggs, should not be set. At the same time eggs should not be washed. So there you are caught between two contending forces. If you have a dirty egg from a hen that you are particularly anxious to set, sooner than discard or wash it, set it dirty. It is claimed that dirt clogs the pores in the shell and prevents the entrance of fresh air into the egg and also prevents the required normal evaporation of the water content of the egg, while the washing rubs off the natural coating of the shell which, according to the results of authentic experiments, reduces the hatching power of eggs thus treated at least 12 per cent. If eggs are broken in the nest during incubation, all foreign material must be wiped from the shells with a damp cloth as soon as possible, otherwise the growing chick would die from lack of fresh air containing the oxygen which is absolutely necessary for the growth of the embryo, and at this time the nesting material, if wet, should be changed. The age of the egg and the conditions under which it has been kept have an important bearing upon its hatching power. The sooner an egg is set after it has been laid the better. When put away to keep for a time they should be stored in a cool place in order to keep the contents of the egg evenly balanced. After eggs are a week or so old they deteriorate rapidly and more rapidly if kept in a warm and dry place. This is due to the fact that high temperatures influence the growth of decomposing bacteria within the egg and a dry atmosphere permits an abnormal or too rapid evaporation of the liquid content.

A Chestertown poultryman, who year after year makes a success of raising S. C. Rhode Island Reds is Mr. Snowden Thomas, assistant postmaster of the Chestertown postoffice. Mr. Thomas has been raising chickens so many years that he knows the ins and the outs of the business thoroughly and gives many bits of useful information to persons beginning in the business. He has some exceptionally fine birds this year and will doubtless sell many eggs and chicks.

The pursuit of the human race, generally speaking, is happiness and satisfaction. Some of us pursue knowledge and gain happiness by this also. A satisfied people are the ones who prosper. Chaos follows in the wake of dissatisfaction. What the home life and the working conditions are usually make one or the other. Ownership of certain things encourages satisfaction in home life. Possession of literary works, art, music, landscape gardening, animal and bird life all contribute to make home pleasant and establish peace of mind and refinement of action and thought, instead of inharmony,stupidity, melancholy, dissatisfaction, unhappiness. The ownership of and the production, year after year of, beautiful birds offers a diversion, pleasure and perhaps a profit, and helps to make the home-life happier, and the dwellers therein more cotnented. A hobby is often overdone and becomes a bore to others, but a hobby-ridden mind is more desirable than a lazy liver grouch, who finds time for nothing but complaining. The late John Burroughs drew animation, enthusiasm, satisfaction, hapiness from the wealth of glorious beauty in nature. His failure to solve the many mysteries of nature was to him a failure that revealed a lack wisdom even in his brilliant and fertile mind, but like Dr. Conwell says in his "Acres of Diamonds," we all have the means of happiness right at our finger tips and don't know it, often going long distances to find something or see something, when we have the identical thing right at home. And so we say to the one who wants to go into the raising of chickens as a hobby, "go to it, and get a wealth of joy and pleasure out of it."

—J. Edward Walters, the oldest man in point of service in the employ of Uncle Sam in Queen Anne's County, died last week at his home in Centreville, of pneumonia. He was the first man to drive a mail route from the Centreville office, when the rural route system was started in that county 20 years ago.

OUR PRICES AND THE OTHER'S!

A Competitor of the Willys-Knight Compares the Willys-Knight and the R. & V. Knight as follows:

"We priced our cars for this season as low as present costs of labor and material allowed and were satisfied to meet any and all competition based on possible production costs, having faith that our specialty in a Knight motored car produces for the buyer maximum value for the cost, and that our facilities for production are comparatively efficient compared with other manufacturers.

"We priced our four-cylinder cars higher than the Willys-Knight cars, as they are, in our opinion, worth more money, and we felt the public would, upon examination and use, realize this fact and give us our share of the business.

"The Willys Overland Company in their recent reductions have made prices which we believe are below that at which they or any other manufacturer can produce and market their Knight product.

"If our prices fairly reflected comparative values of the two lines at old prices and were as low as today's cost permit this further price reduction on their part has created a situation which we frankly admit cannot be met on a sound, permanent business basis."

PRICES

WILLYS-KNIGHT

F.O.B. TOLEDO

Touring	$1375
Roadster	1350
Coupe	1875
Sedan	2095

R. & V. KNIGHT

F.O.B. FACTORY

Five-Passenger Touring	$1665
Four-Passenger Coupe	2385
Five-Passenger Sedan	2475

John H. Clendaniel, Jr.,

CHESTERTOWN, MD.

Let Them Hear Your Voice

IN cities and towns not far away you have friends whom you seldom see. You have little time for writing, or perhaps don't like to write letters. Why not let them hear your voice?

When you have business or social affairs to discuss with out-of-town friends, use the telephone. You can have an enjoyable chat and have matters settled in a few minutes. There's none of the delay sometimes experienced in getting letters off and delivered on time.

You can send your voice a good many miles for a dollar. Why not do it?

Ask the operator for rates to any place. See the front part of your telephone directory for information as to kinds of out-of-town calls.

The Chesapeake & Potomac Telephone Company

(C)

SPORTS

(Other Sporting Notes on Page 7)

Mr. James Everett defeated Mr. Tayolr Houlett, at Mr. Lambert's Bowling Alley Thursday night by the score of 288 to 285. This was exceptionally fine duck pin rolling. Mr. Everett challenges anyone in the county at duck pins.

The valuable pack of fox hounds belonging to Mr. Edmund Hurtt, Mr.Wm. French and Mr. William Toulson, consisting of fifteen fine dogs, has contracted distemper. Every dog in the entire pack has the dread disease. One well-known hound, Rock, died with the disease on Wednesday. There seems to be a general epidemic of the disease all over the country. This fine pack of hounds, one of the best on the Shore, is said to have contracted the disease by coming in contact with a dog from another pack with the disease upon him in a bad form.

The checker situation in Kent Co. at this time is about like this: Prof. Owen C. Blades, the champion, has thrown such a cordon around the championship that, to date, no one has been able to break through, although Mr. Joseph Wheatley, known as the "plumed knight of the board," pierced the champion's line of defense rather sharp on Thursday night and made the champion hustle some to turn him back, which he usually does, when he is forced to extend himself. Mr.Wheatley has come to the front rapidly during the past few months, outstripping all the younger element of the checker playing contingent. Mr. William G. Smyth has also been playing an exceptionally good game, and a contest will be played in a very short time between Mr. Smyth and Mr. Wheatley. This will, without a doubt, be a thrilling engagement, and we hesitate to predict the winner. Both are hard men to beat. Mr. Frank Leary has been quite busy of late and unable to meet any of the local stars during the past few weeks. When he does he will, no doubt, show them a few moves not seen every day in the beaten path. Mr. Edmund Hurtt has been "off" the board the past few weeks, but broke his "fast" the other day long enough to take Mr. Carl Bordley into camp and demonstrated that he can do the trick when he is called upon to defend his well-earned laurels as the champion of the upper part of the county.

The baseball schedule of the Washington College team for this season is as follows:

Apr. 11—Hampden-Sydney, here.
Apr. 17—Lafayette College, here.
Apr. 18—Trinity College, here.
Apr. 27—St. John's, at Annapolis.
Apr. 29—Western Maryland, here.
May 2—St. John's College, here.
May 4—Ursinus, here.
May 6—P. M. C., at Chester.
May 9—Georgetown,at Washingt'n.
May 10—Roanoke Elks, at Roanoke.
May 11—Roanoke Elks, at Roanoke.
May 12—V. P. I., at Blacksburg, Va.
May 13—V. P. I., at Blacksburg.
May 18—Delaware, at Newark, Del.
May 19—Mt. St. Mary's, here.
May 20—Blue Ridge, here.
May 26—Delaware, here.
May 27—Gettysburg, here.
May 30—Mt.St.Mary's, Emmitsburg.
May 31—Western Md., Westminster.
June 13—U. of P., here.

—The refusal of the state of Virginia to concur with Maryland in the passage of legislation for the protection of the crabbing industry of the Chesapeake, leaves no course open for Congress but to place the crab industry under the Federal control, if its life is to be preserved. And unless such action is taken without undue loss of time there will be nothing of the industry left to protect. Virginia's wanton destruction of the crab has almost depleted the supply, and the entire industry faces death unless stringent methods are immediately applied by the federal government.

High School Averages For February

Eighth Grade—Nellie McWhorter 96, Eilzabeth Richardson 95, Lyndon Jones 95, Walter Morris 94, Virginia Mason 92, Everett Sheats 92, Robert Parsons 92, Ann Welch 92, Howell Crew 91, Claude Parks 91, Calvin Price 91, Whitely Wallis 91, Martin Sutton 91, Louise Startt 91, Lida Wheat 91, Marion Collins 90, Alma McCauley 90, Pauline Carter 89, Harry Schreiber 89, William B. Usilton, Jr. 89, Maryland Bryan 89, Ernestine Jarrell 89, Henrietta Wallis 89, Matilda Hessey 87, Thomas Maslin 87, Anna Taylor 87, Lester Chaires 86, Jack Nickerson 85, Charlotte Wright 85, Lloyd Connelly 85, Margaret Smith 85, Spencer Kelly 83, Marian Hadaway 82, Hilda Smith 79, Harry Tucker 79.

Ninth Grade—John Jones 96, Myrtle Needles 95, Ida Hawkins 94, Virginia Jones 93, Louise Sutton 93, Cornelia Davis 92, Kathryn Smith 92, Randolph Williams 92, Elizabeth Dukes 91,Henry Matthews 91, Emma Jarrell 90, Alice Rote 90, William Blakeney 89, Gilpin Brown 89, Elizabeth Crowe 88, William Willis 88, Walter Barnes 87, Margaret Jefferson 87, Harriet Skirven 87, Lawrence Gardner 87, Virginia Nicholson 86, Sarah Carter 86, Charles Kirby 86, Mildred Hatcherson 86, Irving Brown 84, Martha Trew 84, Walter Robinson 84, Kathleen Hill 77.

Eleventh Commercial — Catherine Loller 91, Norman Crow 89, Margaret Power 88, Rudolph Wallis 88, Pryor Armstrong 86, Frank Estes 85.

Special—Ruth Kelly 87, James Kirby 84.

Tenth Commercial—Solomon Chaires 93, Dorothy Tucker 93, Ella Davis 92, Lola Carter 92, Gertrude Seward 91, Mary Power 89, William Loller 86,Arthus Cooper 86, Spencer Smith 86.

Special—Arthur Cleaver 86, Russell Townsend 85, Ernest Leaverage 84, Howard Mason 75, Barclay Eshman 70.

Eleventh Academic—Margaret Bowers 98, Anna Jones 96, Mildred Hoyle 95, Clara Willis 95, William Price 94, Elizabeth Trew 93, Lyda Leaverton 92, Catherine Watson 92, Margaret Tarbutton 91, Ridgely Brown 90, Margaret Startt 88, Naomi Baxter 88, Gladys Beauchamp 87, Stanley Matthews 87, Gale Willis 84, Ruth Myers 83, Josephine Kratzer 82, Emma Hickey 81.

Tenth Academic—Elizabeth Covey 96, Cora McWhorter 96, Margaretta Newnam 95, Alice Rich 95, Alberta Jewell 94, Calvin Copper 94, Harry Graham 94, Robert Copper 93, Walter Chapman 90, Stanley Sutton 90, Mary Brown 90, Mary Rice 89, John Wooden 89, Catherine Beck 89, Rachel Willis 87, Carlia Loller 87, Vernon Kirby 87, Lee Startt 86, William Urie 86, Isabelle Atkinson 84, Edith Crew.

The Shad To Be Here Soon

The herring is usually the forerunner of the shad, which is one of the most important food fish along the Atlantic Coast. It will soon be making ias appearance in the Chesapeake and the Chester.

Not many years ago the range of the shad covered only the Atlantic Coast, but by the efforts of the authorities the shad shad has become established in the Mississippi river and in the Ohio river. "Plants" have also been made in the Sacramento river on the Pacific Coast and this has resulted in colonization of this fish in all the rivers of the Pacific Slope.

The shad fishing industry is a most important one in Kent county, many fishermen at Betterton and Rock Hall and along the Chester making big sums each year from the industry.

W. M. CULP,

Successor to

Lofland & Culp

Wire Fencing

Poultry Netting

Garden Seed

Rope Traces

Bridles

Collars

Garden Tools

YOU WILL FIND A FULL STOCK OF SEASONABLE GOODS AT

WM. M. CULP,

Chestertown, Md.,

Opp. Court Hous

©Maryland State Archives msa_sc3326_scm8222-0098