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Poultry Notes

Pullets are the principal contributors to the egg basket in fall and early winter. This is reasonable, as a vacation for molting and recuperation is necessary for hens which have been on the job in the nests. Give the hens their chance to get back into good condition by giving them plenty of fresh water and green feeds, and while growing feathers, the mash with an abundance of minerals in addition. Ground bone in addition to that in ordinary meat or fish scrap is a vaulable help, as is limestone grit. The addition of a small quantity of oil meal flowers of sulphur and common salt to the mash will also aid in growing feathers. Add not to exceed 1-2 lb. of sulphur and salt each to each 100 lbs. of mash and 5 lbs. oil meal. These materials will furnish the most important minerals needed to grow the feathers and to put the hen's body back into good condition quickly. As soon as feathers are about grown, the mash can be reduced and the grain increased in order to reflesh and refatten the hen's body. After this the regular laying ration can be used, bringing the birds back into prodriction.

As pullets come into production, it is better that they be transferred from range to laying quarters, in order that they may be fed and housed properly and their eggs gathered regularly. pullets should be in good physical condition and fairly fat before placed on a laying ration, or transferred to laying quarters. Pullets late hatched or somewhat behind others in maturing should remain on range and growing rations until sufficiently developed before going into laying quarters. Remember that it takes a well developed boy to make a high producer.

See that house room is sufficient before winter comes. It is best to allow the birds not less than 3½ sq. ft. floor space each is better from the standpoint of sanitation and disease prevention. It takes tight walls to make a comfortable house and one that will assure efficient egg production. Have the front open sufficiently to allow abundance of ventilation and still more open, if no windows are used in front. Abundance of light is highly essential to good results where birds are confined, especially during the short winter days. A thorough whitewashing of the entire interior of the house greatly improves the light, as well as enhances sanitation.

Clean the dropping boards regularly. Sprinkle them after each cleaning with acid phosphate. This makes cleaning an easy and far less objectionable job, and as a fertilizer, the combination is ideal for grain as well as other crops. Lime drives off the ammonia from the droppings. Acid phosphate holds the ammonia.

Floors:—Where the land slope will permit, the use of a cancrete floor is usually advisable. Concrete floors are easily cleaned, are permanent, rat proof, and cost little if any more than a good wooden floor. Be sure to keep the laying house floor well covered with litter (wheat or oat straw) 6 or 8 inches deep. Scatter all grain in this litter to induce the exercise which is so necessary to good physical condition of birds confined to laying quarters.

Nests:—Provide one nest for each four hens or pullets. Keep pullets and hens from roosting in nests, and keep nests full of clean straw. This will mean clean eggs, if they are gathered regularly. Clean eggs sell better.

Eggs:—Gather eggs at least once daily; twice daily is better. Keep them in a clean, cool place, where they will not be in danger of freezing. Grade and pack eggs promptly and carefully. Ship or sell often enough to insure freshness. It pays to be prompt and regular in handling eggs.

S YOUR CHILD'S BIRTH RECORDED

Benefits To Be Derived From This Are Important

A cartoon that is to be seen on the walls on a number of health department officies, represents Uncle Sam as a bookkeeper, seated before a desk on which are spread out various documents. He looks disturbed and pointing to the reports of Births is pictured as saying "And my most important record is incomplete!"

Maryland is one of the twenty-seven states in what is known as the Birth Registration Area. This means that in these states at least 90 per cent of the births that occur each year are duly recorded in Uncle Sam's big books.

What this ten pen cent. ommission may mean, can be better understood when we remember that approximately 36,500 births occur annually, in Maryland. If one tenth of that number are not registered, 365 children each year —or nearly 4,000 in ten years—will be without the records that are necessary to secure the protection that is afforded by the laws, not only of Maryland, but of the whole country, in certain important matters. Here are some of the things for which a child's birth certificate serves as the official record:

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To prove his right to go to school.
To prove his right to go to work.
To prove his right to an inheritance.
To prove his right to marry.
To prove his right to hold office.
To prove his right to secure passports for foreign travel.
To prove mother's right to a widow's pension.

The laws in Maryland require a baby's birth to be reported within four days by the physician, nurse or midwife, to the Local Registrar, through whom it is forwarded to the Bureau of Vital Statistics of the State Department of Health. On receipt of the report, the Bureau communicates directly with the mother to be sure that the name, address, date and place of birth are correct. When these details have been checked up, a card certifying that the birth has been duly recorded on the Maryland records is sent to the mother, who is urged to see that it is kept with her marriage certificate and other family records.

Parents who are uncertain as to whether or not their children's births are reported, can find out definitely by writing to Dr. F. V. Beitler, Chief of The Bureau of Vital Statistics, of the State Department of Health, Baltimore, giving name place and date of birth of each child.

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PROCLAMATION

Proposing Amendments to the Constitution of the State, 1924

WHEREAS, at the January Session of the General Assembly of Maryland, held in the year 1924, two Acts were passed, to-wit: Chapter 177 proposing an amendment to Section 9 of Article V of the Constitution of the State of Maryland, title "Attorney-General and State's Attorney," sub-title "The State's Attorneys," regulating the compensation and the expenses of the State's Attorney for Baltimore City and that of his deputy and assistants; and Chapter 327 proposing an amendment to Section 34 of Article III of the Constitution of the State of Maryland, title "Legislative Department," for the purpose of permitting the State to pledge its credit for the raising of such funds as may be needed for the aid or compensation of those citizens of the State who during the time of war have, with honor, served their country and State, and which said Chapters 177 and 327 are in the words and figures following:

CHAPTER 177.

AN ACT to propose an amendment to Section 9 of Article V of the Constitution of the State of Maryland, title "Attorney-General and State's Attorneys," sub-title "The State's Attorneys," regulating the compensation and the expenses of the State's Attorney for Baltimore City and that of his deputy and assistants, and to provide for the submission of said amendment to the qualified voters of the State of Maryland for adoption or rejection.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, three-fifths of all the members of each of the two Houses concurring, that the following be and the same is hereby proposed as an amendment to Section 9 of Article V, title "Attorney-General and State's Attorneys," sub-title "The State's Attorneys," of the Constitution of Maryland, the same if adopted by the legally qualified voters of the State, as herein provided, to become Section 9 of Article V of the Constitution.

SEC. 9. The State's Attorney shall perform such duties and receive such fees and commissions or salary, not exceeding three thousand dollars, as are now or may hereafter be prescribed by law; and if any State's Attorney shall receive any other fee or reward than such as is or may be allowed by law, he shall, on conviction thereof, be removed from office; provided, that the State's Attorney for Baltimore City shall have the power to appoint a Deputy and such other Assistants as the Supreme Bench of Baltimore City may authorize or approve and until otherwise provided by the General Assembly, the said State's Attorney, Deputy and Assistants shall receive the following annual salaries: State's Attorney, seven thousand five hundred dollars; Deputy State's Attorney, five thousand dollars; Assistant State's Attorneys, four thousand dollars each; said salaries, or such salaries as the General Assembly may subsequently provide, and such expense for conducting the office of the State's Attorney as the Supreme Bench of Baltimore City may authorize or approve shall be paid by the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore to the extent that the total of them exceeds the fees of his office, or as the General Assembly shall otherwise provide, and the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore shall not be liable for appearance fees to the State's Attorney.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid*, That the said aforegoing section hereby proposed as an amendment to the Constitution, shall at the next ensuing general election for members of Congress, to be held in this State on the Tuesday next after the first Monday of November, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-four, be submitted to the legal and qualified voters of the State for their adoption or rejection in conformity with the directions contained in Article XIV of the Constitution of this State, and at the said election the vote on the said proposed amendment to the Constitution shall be by ballot, and upon each ballot there shall be printed the words "For the Constitutional Amendment" and "Against the Constitutional Amendment," as now provided by law, and immediately after said election due returns shall be made to the Governor of the vote for and against said proposed amendment, and further proceedings had in accordance with Article 14 of the Constitution.

Approved April 9, 1924.

CHAPTER 327.

AN ACT to propose an amendment to Section 34 of Article 3 of the Constitution of the State of Maryland, title "Legislative Department," for the purpose of permitting the State to pledge its credit for the raising of such funds as may be needed for the aid or compensation of those citizens of the State who during the time of war have, with honor, served their country and State, and providing for the submission of said amendment to the qualified voters of this State for adoption or rejection.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland* (three-fifths of all the members of each of the two Houses concurring), That the following section be and the same is hereby proposed as an amendment to Section 34 of Article 3 of the Constitution of Maryland, title "Legislative Department," the same if adopted by the legally qualified voters of the State, as herein provided, to become Section 34 of Article 3 of the Constitution of the State of Maryland.

34. No debt shall be hereafter contracted by the General Assembly unless such debt shall be authorized by a law providing for the collection of an annual tax or taxes sufficient to pay the interest on such debt as it falls due, and also to discharge the principal thereof within fifteen years from the time of contracting the same; and the taxes laid for this purpose shall not be repealed or applied to any other object until the said debt and interest thereon shall be fully discharged. The credit of the State shall not in any manner be given or loaned to, or in aid of any individual association or corporation; nor shall the General Assembly have the power in any mode to involve the State in the construction of works of internal improvement, nor in granting any aid thereto which shall involve the faith or credit of the State; nor make any appropriation therefor, except in aid of the construction of works of internal improvement in the counties of St Mary's, Charles and Calvert, which have had no direct advantage from such works as have been heretofore aided by the State; and provided that such aid, advances or appropriations shall not exceed in the aggregate the sum of five hundred thousand dollars. And they shall not use or appropriate the proceeds of the internal improvement companies, or of the State tax, now levied, or which may hereafter be levied, to pay off the public debt (or) to any other purpose until the interest and debt are fully paid or the sinking fund shall be equal to the amount of the outstanding debt; but the General Assembly may, without laying a tax, borrow an amount never to exceed fifty thousand dollars to meet temporary deficiencies in the Treasury, and may contract debts to any amount that may be necessary for the defence of the State. And provided further that nothing in this section shall be construed to prohibit the raising of funds for the purpose of aiding or compensating in such manner or way as the General Assembly of the State shall deem proper, those citizens of the State who have served, with honor, their country and State in time of war; provided, however, that such action of the General Assembly shall be effective only when submitted to and approved by a vote of the people of the State at the General Election next following the enactment of such legislation.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid*, That the said aforegoing section hereby proposed as an amendment to the Constitution, shall, at the next general election for members of Congress held in this State, be submitted to the legal and qualified voters of the State for adoption or rejection, in pursuance of the directions contained in Article 14 of the Constitution of this State, and at the said general election the vote on the said proposed amendment to the Constitution shall be by ballot, and upon each ballot, there shall be printed the following synopsis of said amendment under the caption of "Constitutional Amendment Providing For Aid Or Adjusted Compensation To War Veterans." This amendment removes the prohibition now in the State Constitution which prevents the State from pledging its credit for the raising of monies which could be used for the aid or as adjusted compensation to those citizens of the State who, with honor, served their country or State in time of war; and upon each ballot there shall also be printed the words "For the Constitutional Amendment" and "Against the Constitutional Amendment," as now provided by law, and immediately after said election due returns shall be made to the Governor of the vote for and against said proposed amendment, as directed by said Fourteenth Article of the Constitution, and further proceedings had in accordance with said Article Fourteen.

Approved April 9, 1924.

Now, Therefore, I, Albert C. Ritchie, Governor of the State of Maryland, in pursuance of the direction contained in Section 1 of Article 14 of the Constitution of Maryland, do hereby order and direct that this proclamation containing a full, true and correct copy of the text of said Chapters 177 and 327 of the Acts of the General Assembly of Maryland of 1924, be published in at least two newspapers in each of the counties of the State where so many may be published and where not more than one may be published then in that newspaper, and in three newspapers published in the City of Baltimore, one of which shall be published in the German language, once a week for at least three months next preceding the general election to be held in the State of Maryland on Tuesday the 4th day of November, 1924, at which election the said proposed amendments to the Constitution shall be submitted in form and manner prescribed by the General Assembly, to the legal and qualified voters of the State for their adoption or rejection.

The Great Seal of the State of Maryland.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Maryland. Done at the City of Annapolis, this 15th day of July, nineteen hundred and twenty-four.

ALBERT C. RITCHIE,
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