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Poultry Notes

With a close watch being kept, and the embargo in effect, there should not be great danger in Maryland. Don't get excited, as many other people have already done. The disease is something like roup, chicken pox, or other poultry ills common to this season of the year. Keep the house sanitary and be careful about introducing new birds into your flock. Don't bring new birds into the State from embargoed territory until the embargo is off.

It is unnecessary to explain why a poultryman is judged by the birds he keeps. Quality in poultry is appreciated by others, as well as by the owner, and a demand for stock or eggs is the result. Is there a demand for your stock? Why? Only birds of one kind are in high demand. They are the standard bred birds of a high grade either in breed, quality or productive ability. A really high type of bird, however, should possess both breed quality and productive ability. Beautiful birds are an inspiration and that is why a flock should look good while possessing the ability to lay well or produce meat economically. This means that a really good poultryman keeps only Standard Bred Birds. Now is the time to make them standard bred or at least to improve their standard. Buy breeding stock now. Don't wait It doesn't pay, because better selection can be made now then later when the same stock will likely cost more. Where to buy If you are interested in high egg production as well as in good breed qualties, purchase from one who closely selects his breeders. You can keep check on the egg-laying contests. Know what you are buying! Investigate the egg records of the flock from which you propose to select stock. If your flock is not standard-bred, plan now to make it so. It pays

Now is the time to select hens for the breeding flock. Remember that while careful selection will not entirely prevent the production of inferior birds, it will, if rigidly pursued, greatly reduce the proportion of inferior birds produced provided other features of management are consonant with the production of a high type of birds. Select hens full size, but not too large especially in the weight egg breeds. Size in chicks is influenced largely by the females. Select hens of good breed qualities for the breed. Thesequalities are given by the American Standard of Perfection, published by the AmericanPoultry Association, Ft. Wayne, Ind. Use only birds of strong constitntional vigor that are active, and that show bright eyes and good head development. Don't use hens that are in poor physical condition, due to heavy egg laying, disease, or other reasons, for breeding. Their eggs seldom hatch well. Select hens of good productive ability is judged by their egg production. Use one male of good qualities to each 12-15 females in the case of the lighter breeds, and one to each 8-10 for the heavier breeds. Separate these selected birds from the remainder of the flock so that their eggs can be kept separate. Feed the breeders carefully and regularly, and do not induce heavy egg production by a heavy laying mash diet until eggs are desired for hatching. Heavy-egg production will wear down the physical condition of the birds unless they are carefully fed and managed, and result in weak and infertile eggs. Give the breeders ample room with good housing and allow them out side in good weather. Provide plenty of green food every day and fresh water often. See that the houses are sanitary and comfortable.

The time to hatch depends upon the purpose in view. Heavy meat type birds requre a long growing season to mature into good birds. Hatching in January, February or March is advisable in their case; February, March and April and early May for egg breeds. A fairly heavy laying mash diet a few weeks before hatching time will usually insure good egg production at hatching time, if birds have been well taken care of. Feed liberally on green feed and keep oyster shells or limestone grit before birds at all times. Select eggs carefully, discarding all undersized, deformed or off-colored eggs. Select only eggs of the size, color and shape you desire your birds to lay. Keep eggs in cellar or cool place at a tempeture around 60 to 65 degrees Feranheit. Keen eggs clean, and away from kerosene, oils, or other substances which will injure their hatchability. Don't save eggs for hatching more than two weeks, and ten days is a better limit.

Many people have a lot of small late developing birds on their hands hatched late as a result of depending hens to set. The purchase of chicks is the only solution to this disadvantage. A disadvantage it is, for the late hatched late developing pullets will molt the following summer or fall as well as the hatched birds. The extra egg production from the early hatched birde will far more than off-set the cost of incubation, if many birds are raised. The mast successful poultrymen dictate their own hatching season, without consulting the hen.

Hens are satisfactory hatchers in a small flock if properly managed, and provided they will go broody at the time when hatching should be done. It will often happen, however, that the brooding instinct will be manifested too late in the spring.

PLAN NOW FOR NEXT YEAR'S YOUNG STOCK!

ELECTRIFIED HISTORY — Chivalry As It Should Be



SIR WALTER RALEIGH USES A VACUUM CLEANER AND BEATS THE LOCAL TAILOR OUT OF A FEE

MONEY IN SMILES YOU SEND BY PHONE

Editor of "Commercial Bulletin" Gives Some Good Advice.

In all intercourse over the telephone no armor is so becoming, no influence so great, as a courteous and affable manner. It fosters good will in business, the Family Grocer remarks.

The manner in which you use the telephone indicates largely what you are.

Patrons naturally judge the service of the business you are connected with by the service they receive from you over the telephone; that is natural for you are a direct representative. The memory of your actions, kind or otherwise, may last forever.

Smile over the telephone; the party at the other end of the line will notice it.

Discourtesy hurts the person who uses it more than the person towards whom it is directed. The words, "Thank you," cost little; well bred persons use them. Politeness is invaluable and costs nothing.

One discourteous action by you over the telephone to a patron or prospective patron does an injury to every man whose name is on the pay-roll; a place on the payroll is far better than one in the breadline.

Knockers do not kill men—they kill business. They are the persons who sift sand into the gear boxes of progress. Persons sometimes dig their graves with their tongues.

Wounds inflicted by a knife heal more quickly than those inflicted by a sharp tongue. Birds are entangled by their feet, men by their tongues.

Kind words are as cheap as unkind words. He who sows courtesy reaps friendship. Courtesy enriches those who receive it without impoverishing those who give it.

Chickens come home to roost—so do harsh words. Forget that the telephone is a lifeless instrument. Treat your inquirer as you should if in their presence.—Commercial Bulletin.

WHAT "STATION" MEANS IN TELEPHONE PARLANCE

In telephone parlance every telephone instrument is a station, so that when the statement is made that there are now 15,600,000 telephone stations in the Bell System, it means that there are that many telephone instruments in actual use in the United States, Bell-owned or connected with the System.

Telephone subscribers, however, are sometimes confused by the terms station-to-station in placing long distance telephone calls. An amusing instance of this is cited recently from Des Moines. A party in that city called the rate clerk and requested the rate to Parker's Prairie, Minnesota. After being told that the station-to-station rate was $2.15 for three minutes the subscriber said, "Thank you" and hung up. Five minutes later the same person called the rate clerk again and wanted to know how many stations there were between Des Moines and Parker's Prairie. He was trying to figure how much the call would cost him.

THOUGH ON GROUND, THIS LINE IS 11,225 FEET HIGH

A telephone line, the wires of which are not stretched on poles, but are actually laid on the ground, is located at the top of Mount Hood in Oregon.

Mount Hood is covered with snow and ice the year round and the telephone wires are simply placed on top of the snow. It is the highest altitude at which a telephone is located in the State of Oregon, the elevation being 11,225 feet. This telephone is used by a government forest ranger who surveys the surrounding country from the mountain top and, when a fire is located, telephones the information to the ranger nearest the fire.

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An order amounting to $30,000,000, at an estimated profit of $3,000,000, was taken over the telephone recently by Samuel Vauclain, president of the Baldwin Locomotive Works. The order was for 375 Decapods for the Pennsylvania Railroad and it required just three minutes to conduct the entire transaction.

ARAB'S TELEPHONE ALL GREEK TO HIM

In some parts of the world the telephone is still a decided novelty. Upon its introduction, not very long ago, in a certain town in Arabia, one of the Arab merchants was progressive enough to have the new device installed in his place of business. It so happened, however, that the first person to call him up was a Greek who spoke no Arabic, and, as the Arab did not understand the Greek language, the ensuing conversation was practically a total loss.

Enraged at what he regarded as a piece of incompetence, if not downright fraud, on the part of the telephone authorities, the shopkeeper promptly called on the manager of the local exchange. "See here," he said (or words to that effect), "I want you to remove my telephone at once, and put in one that will speak Arabic. You've given me a telephone that speaks only Greek, and I don't understand a word it says!"

TEST ALL LONG DISTANCE LINES EVERY MORNING

Nation's Speech Highways Are Examined When Lines Are Least Busy.

Early every morning before most people are ready to give serious thoughts to the problems of the day, a test is made of the main groups of the Long Lines of the American Telephone and Telegraph Company, all the way from Boston to San Francisco, from Duluth to Key West. Each of the twenty-three district offices makes a test of the Long Distance lines within its territory. The test begins between 5 and 6 o'clock in the morning when the lines are least busy.

The object of this early morning test of the nation's highways of speech is to determine the condition of the wires and to find out if the plant is ready for the day's job. When the general plant manager at headquarters in New York City arrives at 9 o'clock, he is at once informed of the condition of the Long Lines wires all over the country.

If the operators on trying out the lines find any trouble, they, refer the matter to the toll wire testers, who, like magicians, sit at their offices, probe into the wires with their delicate instruments and tell within a few feet where a wire is tangled or broken. They become so expert that their ears often suffice and by merely listening in on a wire they can estimate the location of the trouble.

Because of the early morning test, the toll operator can accept a Long Distance call with confidence that she will be able to offer a clear circuit to a distant city, and the operator at the other end knows she will be able to complete the call successfully if the person desired is anywhere near a telephone in her territory.

Telephone companies in the United States employ 190,000 telephone operators. In addition, thousands of telephone operators are employed by large business houses, banks and hotels.

There is now one telephone for every seven people in the United States. Ten years ago there was one telephone for every 10 people; and in 1900 there was only one telephone for every 57 people in this country.

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LOUD SPEAKER CALMS FIRE PANIC AT RODEO

Amplified Voice of Announcer Reassures Crowd as Flames Sweep Grandstand.

The first emergency test ever made of a Bell loud speaker in time of impending danger to life and property occurred at Salt Lake City, Utah, at the recent fall rodeo festivities. Fire broke out in a grandstand packed with human beings intently watching the wild west demonstration in the arena.

Immediately there was a stampede for the ground and all notice of the wild pranks of the buckaroo in the arena was forgotten while the program came to an abrupt end. Frantic and excited, the crowd started to make its way to safety.

A Bell loud speaker for the use of the announcers had been installed and no sooner had the cry of fire gone forth than the man at the little instrument took in the situation at a glance and began to talk to the crowd and warn people to be calm, so that all would have plenty of time to get out.

"Be calm and go towards the north," came the warning from the loud speaker. "Don't stop to watch the flames. You will block someone else from getting away from the heat. Keep moving north—everybody."

The man at the horn talked constantly to the crowd and every word was heard. Not a single person was injured, and everyone got out in time. No human voice without the aid of an amplifier could have commanded the surging army of excited people.

COMMEMORATE SENDING FIRST TELEPHONE "COPY"

It was more than 47 years ago that for the first time a newspaper reporter called his paper up on the telephone to turn in his story. And recently the same reporter called up the same newspaper on the telephone from the same place to turn in a similar story in commemoration of the occasion when one of the most important means of work was adopted by journalism.

On February 12, 1877, the telephone was introduced to the public in a lecture by Alexander Graham Bell before the Essex Institute in Lyceum Hall, Salem, Mass. After the meeting Henry M. Batchelder, a young bank clerk, who acted on the side as Salem correspondent for the Boston Globe, called up another reporter who was at Bell's Boston laboratory for the purpose, and dictated his account of the Salem meeting over the telephone that Bell had been using to illustrate his lecture. It appeared in the next morning's paper.

On June 5 last there was held in Salem a public meeting of great interest in telephone history. More than twenty-five of the people who were at the meeting in 1877 were present. Henry M. Batchelder, now President of the Merchants National Bank of Salem, was very appropriately selected to preside, and at the close of the meeting he called up the Boston Globe on the telephone from the platform and resuming his old-time position as the Salem correspondent, turned in his story of the occasion.

HAS 102ND BUILDING

Chicago Works Boasts Building For Every Illinois County.

Manufacturing facilities at the Hawthorne Works of the Western Electric Company, in Chicago, the "world's telephone workshop," continue to expand. The recent construction of a four-story merchandise office and warehouse has given the works its 102d building and 2,000,000 more cubic feet of space. The Western Electric Chicago Works now boasts sufficient buildings to place one structure in each of the 102 counties in Illinois.

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