POULTRY NOTES

NEWS THAT WILL BENEFIT OUR POULTRYMEN FROM HERE AND THERE

The two local hatcheries are now going ahead at full speed.

Now that spring is looming up in the near future our home county, Ottawa, is quickening to greater activity. Baby chicks and the hatchery man's problems are the sole topics of conversation, for here if anywhere, is the Baby Chick Capital of the Eastern Shore of Maryland.

There are more than one hundred hatcheries in the East, more than sixty of them receiving mail and shipping chicks through the post office. Truly, indeed, we are the Land of Baby Chicks.

The breeding season brings great responsibilites to the poultrykeeper; the most important of which is giving the breeders the proper care and attention. Good fertility, good hatchability and good growth of pullets and cockerels, are largely dependent upon the way in which the breeding flocks are handled during the next three months. It is the key to success in 1926.

Its a far cry from the coal mines of Pennsylvania to Maryland poultry farms, and yet, the prolonged strike in the coal fields is causing some apprehension among poultry men.

With probably the biggest season in their history right at hand, it is certain, however, that Maryland poultry men are not going to allow this situation to defeat them. Already experiments with soft coal, coke and various mixtures are being made by leading hatchery men. The Modern Poultry Breeder expects to conduct numerous experiments within the next week and hopes to have information of definite value ready for the March issue. Oil burners, too are receiving section.

While Maryland poultry men are going right ahead to solve this problem for themselves, it seems that the opportunity is at hand for the manufacturers of equipment which will offer the coal problem to have his message read with a genuine appreciation.

The meanest thing on the face of the earth is a mean white man. He can beat any other kind of human being to a frazzle—because he knows so much. The most contemptible sort of thief in the world is a chicken thief. One of these dirty, low-down beast came and stole twelve of my neighbor's fowls the other night. I have known of scores and hundreds of fowls being taken in certain communities. It is hard for one to believe that human beings in the form of men would stoop to such a base life as this. It is one of the most puzzling problems in all poultry culture. The dog that is a confirmed sheep killer is infinitely more to be respected than the man who goes about under the darkness of night and steals fowls that his neighbors have worked so hard to raise. Such a fellow is not only a criminal worthy only of his life, but he is a lazy brute, prowling about at night, like the stinking skunk that he is, stealing the stuff that his respectable and honest industrious neighbor has worked hard to accumulate. Can't we bring in the principle of cooperation in some form and hire detectives for certain centers of poultry culture where thieves are known to operate? A good loud-mouthed dog will help a good deal to keep such cowardly marauders off. Where there is any suspicion that these vermin are likely to come, it is well to keep the poultry houses well locked every night. A thousand layers are worth anywhere from three thousand to five thousand dollars or more according to quality. We would not think of leaving much cash or unregistered bonds lying about our barns and out-houses without any protection of any kind. Why leave our gilt edged birds absolutely open to the ravages of the thief "that cometh by night?" And if by any possibility succeed in carrying off some of our birds they should be pursued to the limit and punished, if possible, to the full extent of the law. They are usually the kind that can't be reformed. They are degenerate and utterly worthless.

As chicks absorb the egg yolk before they break through the shell, they are supplied with sufficient nourishment to carry them safely on a three days journey. This makes it possible to have newly hatched chicks from any distance that can be covered within that time.

The manner of packing, in ventilated compartment boxes, specially constructed for the purpose, and with but 25 chicks in each compartment, affords sufficient animal heat to generate to keep the youngsters comfortable.

When The Chicks Arrivev

What the newly hatched chicks mostly need is warmth. They are hatched at a temperature of 102 to 103 degrees, and immediately when taken from the incubator are packed in shipping boxes and sent on their way.

At once, upon their arrival, the chicks should be placed in a warm brooder, in which heat has been kept up for several days prior to their arrival. For the first few days the heat must be regulated so it is neither too hot nor too cold. If it is noticed that the chicks are crowding it is evidence that the regulator is not working properly.

The floor of the brooder room should be thinly covered with finely cut clover or alfalfa hay, and fine grain strewn among it. This will induce exercise. The busy chick is a healthy one. The lazy chick makes slow growth.

For the first week the temperature of the brooder should be about 98 degrees. This should be gradually reduced the second week to about 90 degrees, a few degrees less may be given the third week, and about 80 degrees allowed the fourth week, and so on. The heat should at all times be uniform and constant. Too high temperature in brooder causes weak chicks. Brooders should be cleaned daily.

Teach the chicks where to find the warmth by enclosing them for a few days with half-inch square mesh wire, one foot high and 10 to 12 inches from the edge to the hover.

After a week old, the youngsters should be allowed outdoors for a few hours each day, when the sun is shining and there no hard cold winds. But never should they be permitted on frozen ground.

Flocks of 250 to 350, even at the start, will do better than a larger number.

A house 10x12 or 12x24 feet, partitioned in the center, with a runway for the chicks to go from one room to the other, is about the right size for 250 to 350 chicks.

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It's ready—ready on a scale greater than anything we have ever before attempted. This advertisement features only the high spots of this unmatchable event. You cannot realize the magnitude of this sale unless you come to it. Every pair of Men's, Women's and Children's Shoes and Hose in the store participates. Every article marked down to show a tremendous saving. This stock of shoes is of the highest quality, coming from nationally-known manufacturers—from authentic style sources—and the best part of it is the low prices that are bound to fascinate you, that will cause you to act at once. Truly a desirable merchandise event that you cannot afford to miss.

THURSDAY, FEB. 25th---THIS SALE LASTS 15 DAYS ONLY

Infants' Shoes, first step in black and tan, sizes 1 to 5. Sold up to $2.50, for this sale **88c**

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Children's Tan Kid, a very high grade shoe, very dressy and comfortable nature last. Sold for $3.00, for this sale **$.198**

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Ladies' Hose in all colors, for this sale **9c**

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98c PAIR

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