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POULTRY NOTES

ITEMS OF INTEREST THAT WILL HELP OUR POULTRY READERS

Withholding broilers from market until they reach a weight of two and a quarter or two and a half pounds, is usually a profitable move. As a general thing, most of the profit is derived from the last half pound. Selling at a weight less than two pounds, means the poultryman had to pay as much for his brooder-houses, small-chick feed, and nearly as much for his fuel, as when he allows the birds to grow a little more. Again, a great deal of labor is devoted to the first four weeks of a chick's life, and in that time there is the mortality problem of young chicks to face. Half a pound more may be added in a few weeks at a minimum price.

There is a profit in raising guineas. Their eggs are as good as hens' eggs, for culinary use, and the flesh has the flavor of wild fowl. Guineas are no harder to raise than turkeys, and will glean their living from orchards and fields.

The white variety is preferred to the pearl, as they are more peaceable and more domestic in their habits.

The United States Department of Agriculture believes there is a bright future for the guinea fowl in this country, but it seems that the fowl is not as yet appreciated as it should be. In Europe, both the flesh and the eggs are considered a great delicacy —the latter having the rich flavor peculiar to the much-prized plover's egg.

The guinea fowl should not be marketed in an overfat condition. The proper way of killing is practically the same as that used in killing chickens to be dry-picked. Guineas are usually marketed undrawn and unplucked, or with the breast feathers alone removed.

A London Pigeon fancier was asked how his pigeons got home from their long flights after being lost. He replied that he crossed his Homers with parrots and when they could not find their way they asked a policeman the way home.

A hen owned by Sam Stevenson, curator of the Norumbega park of Auburndale, Mass., has never hatched any of her own eggs but she has put in her time raising peacocks and wild ducks. This old hen is called Betty by Mr. Stevenson and he says that she is an ideal step-mother, in fact the best step-mother he ever knew.

Governor Pierce recently sent a letter to every sheriff in Oregon to make an extensive search for all chicken thieves. Stealing chickens has gotten so common in Oregon that that form of stealing is endangering the industry says Governor Pierce. The poultrymen have raised $1,000 to be used as rewards to those who capture the chicken thief. Rewards of $250 will be paid for all chicken thieves that are convicted of grand larceny. Many farmers who have reported their losses to the local peace officers have gotten very little notice but it is felt with the governor taking part in hunting the thieves, the poultry industry will be relieved of this drain on their resources.

The New York and other eastern states are expected to ask for a larger tariff or duty on Turkeys at the coming session of congress. The far west will ask an increased tariff on frozen eggs. Most of the outside eggs come from China, while Europe and South America ships most of the Turkeys into the eastern market. It is claimed that the large Turkey farms are mostly in the middle west and far Northwest like the Dakots. Lots of Turkeys are raised in Arizona and several flocks in Aregon, especially that section or Oregon that runs to the California line, on the south. Frozen eggs affect the markets as many tons of eggs are shipped from China, through the Panama Canal in to the ports of New York and Boston.

For saving a village in Hungary, the lives of a flock of geese were spared by the owner, who was fattening these geese for the Christmas trade. The town of Crajowa, Hungary being the village question.

A farmer noticing a great noise among his flock of geese, went out and found them greatly excited and all looking towards a farm house a short distance. The farmer tried to quiet the geese but they kept up their noise. The geese craned their long necks and would not take their eyes off the farm house. This attracted the farmer and he began to look for the cause, when suddenly a flame burst forth and the house was soon covered with fire. There was a hard wind blowing at the time.

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Miss Anna Rasin, of the S. N. S., and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Rasin spent Saturday and Sunday with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Rasin.

Mrs. Lin Redmile entertained the Embroideary Club on Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Cleve Tucker, of Washington, D. C., spent the week end with relatives here.

Mrs. Mollie Archinbald and daughter moved to their new home in Wilmington, Del., on Monday.

Mrs. George Glenn is on the sick list.

Mr. and Mrs. Othoson and Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Hurlock spent Monday in Wilmington, Del.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Myers entertained at Cards on Tuesday evening.

Mrs. August Money and son, John spent Wednesday in Wilmington.

Mrs. Ray King and baby, of Philadelphia, visited her parents last week, Mr. and Mrs. John Atwell.

Mrs. Wm. King returned home in Philadelphia after spending several days with friends.

Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Othoson, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hill, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Hurlock, Mr. and Mrs. Wilmer Ford, and Mr. and Mrs. Roger Kennedy attended the golden wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Davis on Tuesday afternoon; congratulations Mr. and Mrs. Davis.

Mr. Donald Myers, of Philadelphia, visited at the home of Mr. Homer King last week.

Mrs. Thomas Van Dyke spent several days with Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Van Dyke at Galena.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Scotten and Miss Lizzie Scotten spent several days of last week in Philadelphia.

Mrs. Anna Hague spent the week end with her mother, Mrs. Annie Melvin.

Mr. Boyd Primrose, of Atlantic City, spent the week end at Mr. Wm. Jewells.

Mr. John Bebwell visited at the home of his sister, Mrs. James Nickerson on Sunday.

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JOSEPH H. M. CHESNEY

late of New Castle County, Delaware, deceased. All persons having claims against said deceased's estate are hereby warned to exhibit the same, with the proper vouchers thereof, to the undersigned on or before the 29th day of July, 1927, otherwise they may by law be excluded from all benefit of said deceased's personal estate.

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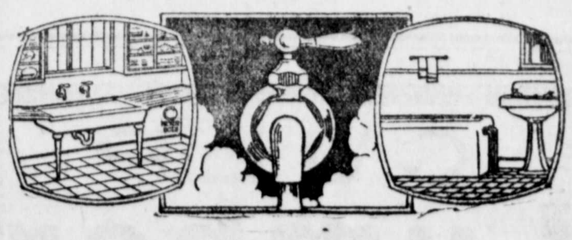

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