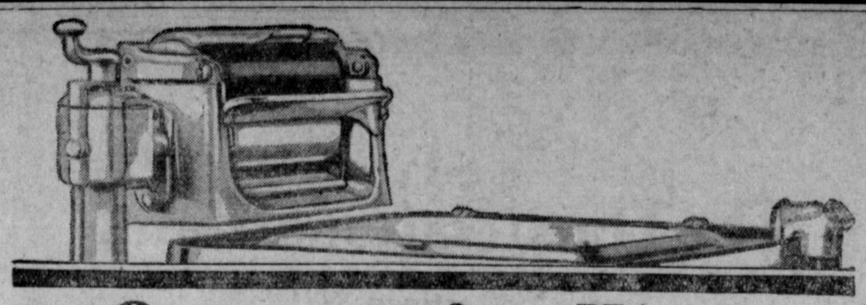
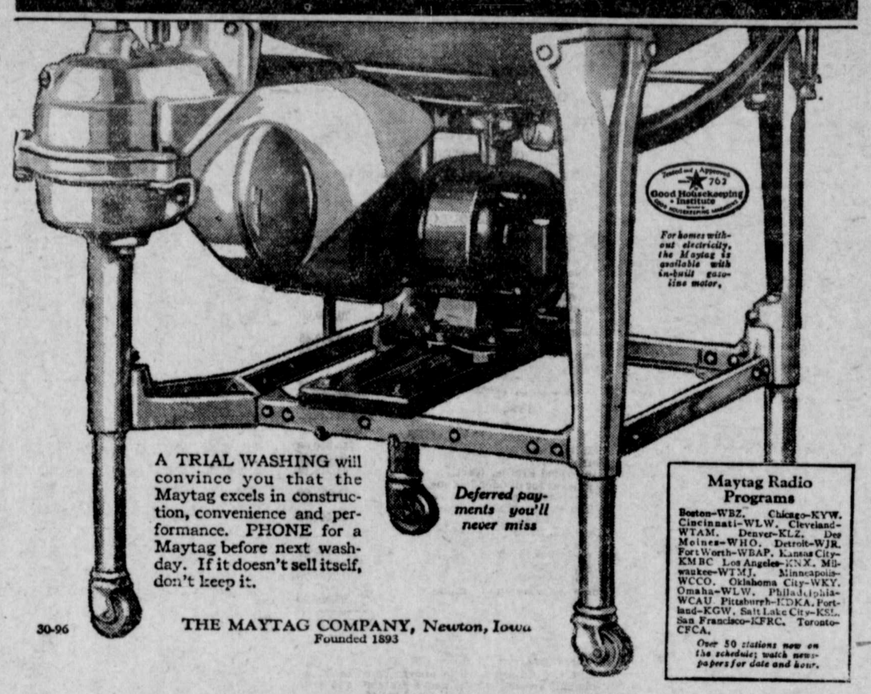


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POULTRY NOTES

ITEMS OF INTEREST THAT WILL HELP OUR READERS SOLVE THEIR PERPLEXING PROBLEMS

BY POLK T. BRAMBLE
(Proprietor of Bramble Poultry Farm)

How many eggs per hen did you get last year? What was the average selling price per dozen? Did your birds average as many eggs for the year as your neighbors? Were they above or below the average of the State? Did your pullets begin laying early last fall when eggs were high priced? If not, why not? Did your hens stop laying too early in the summer? When did they begin laying again? Are you satisfied with them? Are you using the best methods of poultry husbandry?

You may answer a few of them without keeping any records at all, some of them you may answer by referring to your own records, but to answer them all you must see the records of others and compare yours with them. Would you like to be able to answer them all satisfactorily and accurately? If you will do your part, the Extensive Service can do much towards making satisfatory answers to such questions a reality as refers to your flock. This can be done through the Maryland Farm Egg Record Project to be inaugurated November 1, 1929 by the University of Maryland Extension Service.

The Maryland Farm Egg Record Project is to be composed of cooperator members bent upon improving their poultry practices and increasing their poultry profits. This is desiined to be accomplished in several ways, but principally as follows: Accurate but simple records such as will ansewr the fore-going questions and timely information which, together with the record forms, will be furnished free to cooperators. Monthly reports and summaries of the figures from cooperators reporting, to which will also be attached additional timely information on significant developments in and analysis of the records as well as timely subject matter information. Where interest warrants, regular group meetings of the cooperators will be held to discuss records and poultry problems.

On each monthly page will be a ferm for keeping the daily egg and flock record, a seasonal illustration and as much timely information on poultry management as space permits. Yor your convenience the back of each monthly page has been ruled for keeping a record of expenses and receipts. Each monthly page shows Production Standards which are based upon average monthly production at the Maryland State Egg Laying Contest at College Parn for the past three years. You srould aim to equal these figures.

1. Apply to your county agricultural agent or to the Extension Service, College Park, Maryland, for a poultry calendar (now in preparation). The calendar is free, but will go only to those agreeing to make full and proper use of it.

2. Fill out and mail the enrollment card on the first page by December first.

3. Keep an accurate account of the eggs gathered each day and at the end of the month fill out and mail the card at the bottom of each monthly page, giving the number of eggs gathered and the number of birds on hand the first of that month.

4. If possible, keep the records of the hens and pullets separate. If this cannot be done, the entire flock may be allowed to run together and be called a mixed flock.

5. Send the record of your entire flock, not just one or two seleted pens. It is not the eggs of one or two selected pens, but those from the whole flock that tell the story of your poultry business and interest others.

6. The keeping of the records will not interfere with any of your practics of poultry management. You may decrease or increase the number of birds by culling, selling or buying, provided you make a note of this in your reports.

1. Send to each cooperator a summary of the reports each month, which will show the lewest, highest and average records for the month.

2. Prepare for you each month a letter containing helpful suggestions on poultry management. The report and letter to replace the present monthly letter after December 1st.

3. Send a poultry specialist to visit your farm as often as practicable to look over your poultry plant and offer suggestions on managment and improvements.

4. Have a poultry specialist meet as often as practicable with you and a grohp of cooperators to discuss your records and poultry problems, provided sufficient interest in this work is manifested in your community.

This Egg Record Project while new to Maryland is not entirely a new proposition. Work along similar lines has been in progress in Delaware, Pennsylvana, New Jersey, Connecticut and other states for a number of years. It is rather past the experiment stage and is a real service proposition in most states where it is in progress.

We want you to have a calendar, but they will be too expensive to distribute generally and must be limited to those who agree to make complete reports regularly.

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