THE AMERICAN'S POULTRY DEPARTMENT

GOOD BREEDING AND FEEDING BRING PROFIT

These With Proper Care and Attention Necessary to Success.

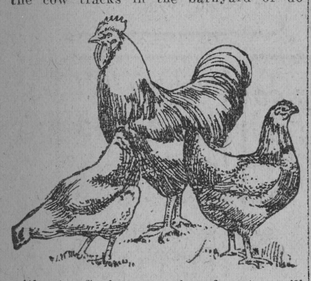
The writer has before him the records of a farmer who sold eggs from a flock of eight hens to the amount of $3.73 per hen, all this within one year; and besides, this bunch of hens each raised a brood of chicks in summer time—75 chicks coming to maturity, and the profits on these chicks above food cost was equal to the income from the eggs. In other words, the profit above food cost from these eight hens was more than $6 per hen.

Of course the best of care and attention was given and of course these eight hens were pure-bred—bred to do that very thing, but all three products were reckoned at regular market prices, not fancy prices. This is the lesson we desire to impress on our farmers: Good breeding, good feeding, good care will give good profits.

Since the chemical analysis of an egg and of a young roasting chicken is almost identical, we may say in the outset that there is little difference in feeding for eggs and feeding for flesh.

An egg is about two-thirds water, one-eighth albumen, one-tenth lime and one-twelfth fat. It is giving the hen the proper raw materials at the proper time that constitutes good feeding.

Hens suffer more from a lack of pure, fresh water than from almost any other cause. Even the hen at liberty is often compelled to drink the filthy water in the cow tracks in the barnyard or do



without. Such a supply of water will not produce many eggs of any kind, and none that are good.

The albumen of the egg—the white of the egg is the protein—what we crave for when we desire lean meat. The hen must have the protein foods to make it—the oats, wheat, bran and meat. The lime for the shells she will get from the wheat, clover, oyster shell and cut bone. The fat will come from the grains, but especially from the corn—the carbo-hydrate food.

Without giving exact details, the writer would want his feed bins so proportioned that he could lay in supplies of food thus: Four bushels of bran, three bushels of oats, two bushels of wheat, one bushel of corn, one bushel of lean meat or beef scrap, one bushel of cut bone and one bushel of oyster shells. In addition to these he would want before his hens a constant supply of clean, sharp granite or crystal grit. Coarse sand or very fine gravel will reduce the amount of grit used, but cannot take its place.

In addition to the foods named the egg-laying hen, likewise the growing chick, should have every day some form of green food. The grasses and weeds and clover she picks up on the free range in June must be supplied in her confinement in January if she is to do June work. Finely cut alfalfa or clover steamed, or wet with hot water, are excellent. A head of cabbage hung up by the root in the pen is very good. Roots—especially mangels—supply both food and water to some extent. The hens in their pens become very fond of them and will consume large quantities of them. These roots can be grown at the rate of 20 to 30 tons per acre, and every stock breeder knows their value to sheep and cattle. The hens will pay for them even more liberally.

Good feeding means close observation and good judgment on the part of the feeder. The feed suitable in quality and quantity last week may not be suitable this week. The weather may have changed. If it has grown colder, not less of the wheat and oats but more of the corn and meat are demanded.

Never mix your grains. Never feed exactly the same food two successive meals. Always stimulate the hens to eat more by giving them something different to tempt their appetites. The hen that is laying regularly is seldom liable to get too fat. Have a care that your pullets and your moulted hens have started to lay before you begin to feed too heavily in the fall. There is little danger after they have begun laying.

The feeding problem is much simplified if females of different ages are not kept together. What is ideal for three-year-old hens may be entirely wrong for pullets. Separate and classify them by ages as soon as possible.

Better have hens a little hungry, eager for their food and willing to scratch for it, than to have them sitting around lazy, fat, livers torpid, eyes dull, combs pale. It is the active hen that is the producing hen.

Importance of Grit Shell and Charcoal

Many persons neglect to provide each house with a grit and shell box. This is essential to the health of the fowls and the furnishing of material to form the shell of the egg. Remember that a hen has no molars with which to grind her food and must, therefore, rely entirely upon the grit that she eats to perform this service. Therefore, chickens should be provided with plenty of grit. If you do not attend to this you are treating the hen precisely as you would be treated should all of your teeth be extracted and no false set provided in their stead. What would become of your digestion? It is the same case with the hen who is made to eat and not given grit to grind the food after eating. The cracked oystershell is important in the forming of the egg shell. Lime, of course, will answer, but then the shell will be brittle and crumbly and easily broken. The shells are firmer, whiter and smoother if cracked oystershells are provided.

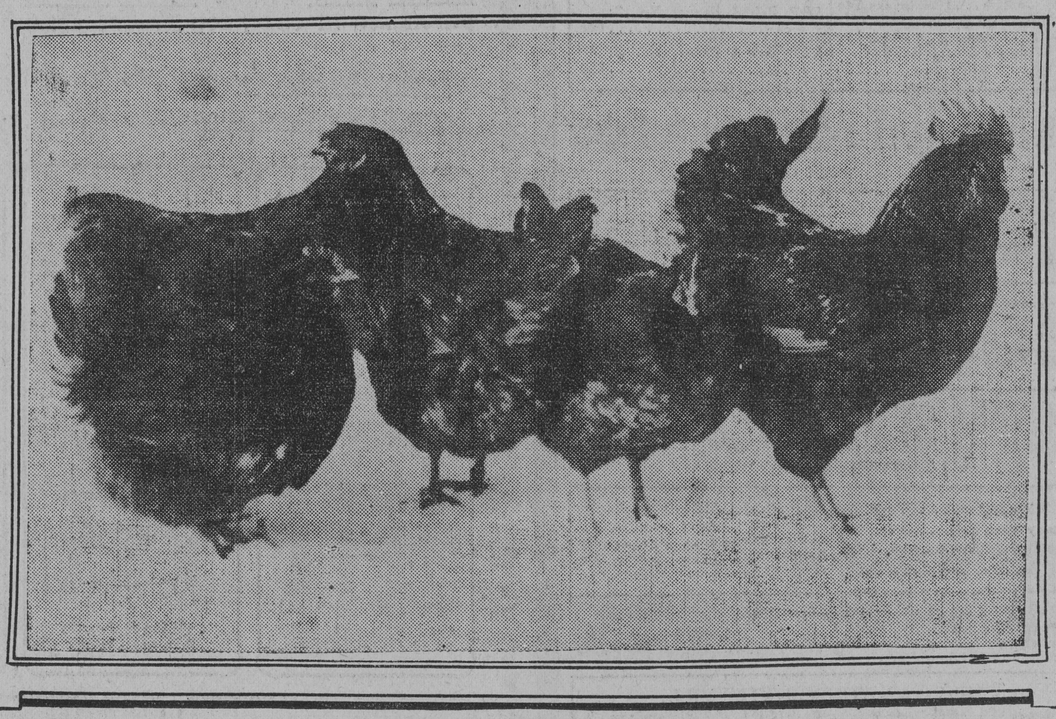
Few persons provide charcoal for their birds because they seem to lose sight of its value. This inexpensive necessity serves to tone up and sweeten the crop and gizzard of the fowl and aids digestion. To a chicken it takes the place of a soda mint tablet to a person. By all means provide it. Always keep these three essentials before the fowls in sufficient quantity that they will not want for them.

Specially made galvanized grit boxes, composed of three compartments, one each for grit, shell and charcoal, may be bought for 50 cents or you may make one out of wood which will answer the same purpose.

Vegetables as Food

Never be afraid to feed the fowls vegetables of any kind. They are all good for the birds. It is best, however, to cook the majority of them, except cabbage or mangels. When cooked it is best to cut them up very fine, in which form they may be fed either dry or mixed into the mash. Cut clover or alfalfa hay may be fed dry in liberal quantities, but ordinarily there is a big waste in feeding such vegetables as potatoes, beats and the like in the winter other than in the mash.

PRIZE WINNING RHODE ISLAND REDS



The group of single comb reds shown above captured the blue ribbon as the best pen at the recent Baltimore show. All of these birds are winners of individual prizes at previous shows and constitute a breeding pen of quality. These birds are owned by Mr. George W. White, a local breeder of note.

WHY SO MANY LOSE OUT IN THE POULTRY FIELD

Few Are Content to Start at the Bottom and Climb Gradually.

The beginner in the raising of poultry has many thing with which to contend and ordinarily makes many mistakes of a serious nature and becomes discouraged, perhaps giving it up entirely. This is not the only business, however, in which the beginner has trouble, for adversity seems to be a part of the successful man's career.

The biggest mistake that the novice in the poultry business generally makes is that of starting in on too large a scale before having acquired at least a little knowledge of poultry culture. Few beginners are content to start at the bottom and learn the business as they climb toward the top. The method is too slow for them. If favored with sufficient capital they will rush headlong into the business by purchasing a tract of ground, equipping it and then stocking it with a large quantity of fowls only to find out their mistake when failure comes, as it often does. When their hopes of realizing a fortune out of the business have been blighted they discourage the more conservative beginner by ridiculing the idea that there is any money in it.

Yes, there is money in this as well as in any other pursuit if started and run on the proper basis; otherwise there is not. Experience is the keynote to success and the man who starts out with a small number of birds and gains both knowledge and experience as he increases his flocks will ultimately succeed.

There are many other things, however, that might be classed as mistakes of the beginner, which also lead to failure. Some of these may be summed up as follows: Acquiring too much land; buildings too widely scattered, which means unnecessary labor; unsuitableness of the breed selected for their intended purpose; unsanitary houses; too frequent a change in the bill of fare; neglecting the small details; failure to cull out the unprofitable and surplus stock and relying too much on hired help.

To the above reasons for failure on the part of the beginner may well be added that of acquiring knowledge too fast. After the average beginner passes the first year of his career as a breeder with fairly good success he frequently gets the idea that he knows the game in all its details. Just here is where he errs. There is always something new turning up in the business and breeders who have spent many years among the chickens are always ready to say they have still much to learn.

He that is wise will read, study, investigate and practice, thus continually increasing his knowledge of the game. It takes courage and persistency on the part of the beginner to make a success of the poultry business, but he who has it will surely succeed if he keeps hard at it.

Poultry Pointers

For canker in fowls, the following remedy is recommended: Mix 12 drops carbolic acid, 1 teaspoonful laudanum, 10 cents' worth sugar of lead, 5 cents' worth sulphate of zinc and 1 pint of water; shake well. Open up the nostrils with a broom straw, and with a small glass syringe inject into them the mixture, three times a day, and put eight to ten drops in the mouth. Feed soft bran and give plenty of water.

Poorly dressed poultry goes begging in the market, while the supply of choice, fancy stock is not sufficient to meet the demand. In shipping to market all dressed poultry should be asserted according to size and color, in order to secure the best returns. Small, poor, scraggy birds, half dressed, bring prices in proportion.

A "large roaster" means a plump, soft chicken of four or five pounds weight. The broiler weight in March is one and one-quarter pounds each; in April, one and one-half pounds; in May, one and one-quarter pounds to two pounds. Old cock birds have a special classification and do not come under the head of "large roasting" fowls.

PICKING SITE IMPORTANT TO THE BEGINNER

House and Fixtures Should Be Considered for Convenience.

In going into the business of raising poultry for any purpose whatever, a point always to be considered is the selection of a site suitable and the building of houses and the selection of fixtures that will add to the comfort of the fowls and at the same time be convenient for the attendant.

The selection of a site is possibly the most important. Avoid ground that is infected with parasites which prove a detriment to the birds and cause the breeder time, worry and money to eradicate.

A dry, porous soil, such as sand or gravelly loam is by far more preferable than a clay soil. If a site similar to the former is chosen there is less chance for unhealthy fowls, provided, however, reasonable care and attention is given them than would be the case if the soil was of clay.

Wherever it is possible the houses should be built facing the south, as this will permit the greatest amount of sunlight, particularly during the winter months. After much experiment upon the part of well-known breeders, it has been found that the fowls keep healthier if kept in the open-front style of house than in tigihtly closed coops. With the southern exposure open and the house built so as to keep out all drafts the birds will get a sufficient amount of pure fresh air, and then again the greatest amount of sunshine will be admited into all parts of the house during the winter months when it is so essential to the health of the fowls. This will also tend to keep the house dry inside, which, above all things, is desirable. Foul damp houses will keep the birds out of condition and in a general unhealthy state. Proper ventilation is essential, but this does not mean drafts, so by all means avoid them.

If it is thought that the open front is too cold at night, or in extremely bad weather, a muslin curtain may be so arranged that it can be dropped while the birds are at roost.

There is much to be said regarding the colony plan of poultry-house. This method of housing poultry has many advantages over the single house method and can be adopted on most farms, thus doing away with tainted runaways.

In constructing the interior of the poultry-house special care and attention should be given the subject, as much time and labor depends upon the convenience of the construction, to say nothing of the comfort and health of the fowls. Most persons raising chickens, particularly farmers, make the mistake of constructing the roosts on the incline after the style of a ladder. This should not be done, but instead have them all on the same level. Saplings with the knots trimmed off do not make good roosts, but 2x2 scantlings, with the upper edges rounded, do. Round the edges for the convenience of the fowl. Construct a dropping board about two feet from the floor and make a form to sit on this and to hold the roosts, so that they can be removed at will to allow for cleaning. The roosts should be about six inches above the dropping board. The nests may be placed in any convenient part of the coop or under the dropping board, with the entrance from the rear. This makes them dark and secluded and preferable to the hen. It also reduces the chances for the detestable habit of egg-eating. No matter where the nests are placed, however, they should be so arranged as to be easily removed.

The floor space should be covered to the depth of about six or eight inches, with a good, light scratching material for the fowls to work over. Particularly is this necessary if a scratchng shed cannot be provided.

SIMPLE METHOD FOR SUPPLYING FRESH WATER

Device Can Be Constructed at Small Cost to Give Satisfaction.

One of the difficult problems of the poultryman is how to provide pure, fresh water for his fowls. Many patent fountains which are on the market are automatic and keep before the fowls a certain quantity. Under certain conditions these fountains serve an admirable purpose. Under more adverse conditions many of these fail to give satisfaction for the simple reason that it is impossible to keep them clean.

If fowls were fed only whole grain and the weather was always cool, it would be a comparatively easy matter to provide satisfactory automatic drinking fountains, but as soft food forms a considerable portion of the diet for laying hens and fattening fowls, these fountains are necessarily more or less fouled and in warm weather soon become unfit for use as drinking fountains on account of the tainted water and disagreeable odor.

A somple, wholesome arrangement may be made as follows: Place an ordinary milk pan on a block or shallow box, the top of which shall be four or five inches from the floor. The water or milk to be drunk by the fowl is to be placed in this pan.

Over the pan is placed a board cover supported on pieces of lath about eight inches long, nailed to the cover so that they are about two inches apart, the lower ends resting upon the box which forms the support of the pan.

In order to drink from the pan it will be necessary for the fowls to insert their heads between these strips of lath. The cover over the pan and the strips of lath at the sides prevents the fowl from fouling the water in any manner, except in the act of drinking.

Where drinking pans of this kind are used, it is very easy to cleanse and scald with hot water as occasion demands.

This arrangement can be carried a little further by placing a pan, or what would be still better, a long narrow dish, something like a tin bread tray, on a low shelf a few inches from the floor, and hinging the cover to one side of the poultry-house so that it can be tipped up in front for the removal of the dish or for filling it with water.

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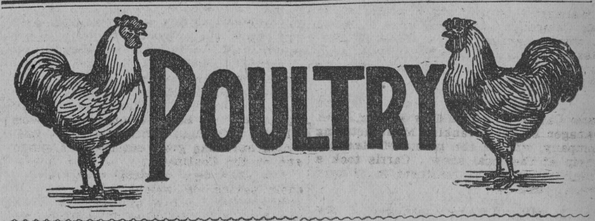

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County Society

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lotte Donaldson is visiting Miss Daisy Hemphill at Long Island, N. Y. Mrs. Robert Pue has returned from Richmond, Va. Mrs. Archibald Dennis, of Baltimore, was the week-end guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel S. Owings. Miss Louise Renehan has returned to her home, at Montrose, near Clarksville. Miss Julia Latchford is visiting in Annapolis. Miss Bertha Holman was the guest of Miss Belle Grant on Sunday. Miss Sadie Reed is visiting in Carroll county. Miss Mary Galllon spent Sunday with Mrs. Brooke Gallion. Misses May and Lenora Dorsey have returned from a visit in Baltimore to their home at Glenwood. Miss Gladys North is visiting Mr. and Mrs. H. Fennell. Miss Emma Bowling, of Baltimore, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Harry C. Covell. Miss Naomi Fairall, of Sandy Springs, is the guest of Mrs. James Johnson. Miss Helen Hood was the guest this week of Mrs. William Hood. Miss Katharine Carrigan is the guest of Miss Katharine Colein.

Lisbon.

Special Dispatch to The American.

Lisbon, Md., February 8.—Mrs. Robert Pue has returned from a visit in Virginia. Miss Catherine Davis has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Belt Townsend, of Baltimore. Miss Evelyn Howard and Edward Gartrell, of Brookville, Montgomery county, spent the week-end with Mrs. James T. Henderson. Mr. and Mrs. Winter D. Jones entertained at cards Thursday evening. The guests included Mr. and Mrs. Howard Selby, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Selby, Mr. and Mrs. L. Scott Mercer, Mr. and Mrs. William Hobbs, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. David Barnes, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Kolb, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Kuhn, Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Hutchins, Misses Eva Gary, Eleanor Gaither, Marian Selby, Willie and Alice Hutchins, Mary Davis, Emma Clementine Selby, Pearl Mercer, Hubert Black, Howard Hutchins, Bernard and Carroll Selby. Miss Eva Gary spent Saturday and Sunday in Baltimore. Mrs. David Barnes has returned to Evergreen, after a visit to Mrs. L. I. Martin, of Martinsburg. Miss Lillian Hord, of Walbrook, spent Sunday at Runnymeade, the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. G. Hord. Mrs. Caroline Bradford spent this week at the home of her brother, John Ridgely, of Sykesville. Miss Eleanor Gaither is visiting Mrs. Page Bonis, of Baltimore. Mrs. Hannah Brown has returned from an extended trip to Ohio. Miss Grace Ridgeley has returned from a visit to Mrs. Richard Dorsey, of Roland Park. Mr. and Mrs. G. A. C. Hodges have returned from a two weeks' stay in Baltimore. Misses May and Elizabeth Dorsey are visiting in Baltimore. Dr. W. P. McIntosh, Jr., is visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. W. Crapster. Miss Lillian Fisher, has returned from a visit to Mrs. C. E. Albaugh, of central Frederick county.

MONTGOMERY.

Special Dispatch to The American.

Rockville, Md., February 8.—Walter L. Collier, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Collier, of Seneca, this county, and Miss Lula C. Ballenger, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Ballenger, of Harpers Ferry, W. Va., were married at Charles Town, W. Va., a few days ago. They will live in Washington. Miss Corrie Devilbiss, of Gaithersburg, is spending a few weeks in New Orleans. The Rockville Inquiry Club held its biweekly meeting Monday afternoon, with the Misses Kingdon as hostesses. The program included responses about economical dishes; a paper on A Servantless House, by Mrs. Clarence Weber, and other interesting features. Miss Owings, of Ellicott City, is visiting Mrs. Charles G. Holland here. Mrs. John E. Wilson is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Hervey Brown, in Baltimore. At the twenty-fourth annual meeting of the Burden-bearer Circle of King's Daughters, held at the home of Mrs. Joseph Reading, here, officers to serve one year were chosen as follows: President, Miss Isabel Kingdon; vice president, Mrs. Edward C. Peter; recording secretary, Miss Jackie McDonald; corresponding secretary, Mrs. John B. Brewer; treasurer, Mrs. John H. Gassaway. Mr. Robert B. Peter left early in the week for Florida, expectings to be gone several weeks. Miss Julia White, of Dickerson, left a few days ago for Toronto, Canada, where she goes to attend the wedding of her brother. After having spent several weeks in Washington, Miss Annie Maddox returned to her home, here, a few days ago. William B. Veirs, who has been spending several months visiting relatives in this locality, where he was born, will leave Monday for Australia, where he has been engaged in business for many years. Mr. and Mrs. Charles G. Wilson, of the Sandy Spring neighborhood, are entertaining their son, Herbert Wilson, and bride, of Trenton, N. J. A few days ago Mr. and Mrs. Wilson gave a dinner in their honor. Mr. J. Dawson Williams, of Kensington, is in New Orleans for a short visit. In celebration of the eighteenth birthday of Miss Sarah Blanche Watkins a large number of the young people were entertained a few evenings ago at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Crittenden King, near Kings Valley. Clements Offutt, who is a student at Mount St. Mary's College, Emmitsburg, is at the home of his parents, Mayor and Mrs. Lee Offutt, here, for a few days. Mrs. Addie Maddox was the hostess of the Weekly Card Club at its meeting Thursday afternoon. Mrs. R. Brooke Gott, of Dickerson, entertained the Cold Water Card Club, of the Dickerson neighborhood, Monday evening.

PRINCE GEORGES.

Special Dispatch to The American.

Hyattsville, Md., February 8.—Mrs. A. W. Tupper entertained the Afternoon Five Hundred Club, Tuesday, at the Hyatt mansion, where she is spending the winter. The prizes were awarded Mrs. John Lepper and Mrs. Alfred Hyatt Wells. Mrs. John T. Risdon has returned after a visit to relatives in Baltimore. Miss Florence Lyons and Chester Berry, both well known in Prince Georges county, were married in Washington, Tuesday, at the home of the bride's parents, 1718 Oregon avenue. Miss Louise Gourley, of Holland Point, Calvert county, has returned after a visit to her sister, Mrs. Thomas E. Latimer, Johnson avenue. Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Meyer entertained the Evening Five Hundred Club Wednesday. T. F. O'Neill was awarded the prize. Miss Rose O'Brien, of Washington, has been visiting her sister, Mrs. W. A. Donovan, in East Riverdale. The twelfth annual masquerade ball, under the auspices of the Vorwaerts Lodge, of Bladensburg, took place in Masonic Hall Monday evening. The prizes were awarded to Miss Haber, Miss Norgle, Mr. Walsh and Mr. Gasch. Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Zantzinger, Wine avenue extended, left Wednesday morning for a two-month visit in Florida. Mrs. Harry Howard, Wine avenue, entertained 24 guests at a five hundred party Tuesday afternoon, the proceeds going to St. Jerome's Catholic Church here. Miss Enid Holden, of Washington, has returned home after a visit to her aunt, Mrs. John G. Holden, Ralston avenue. Dr. Charles A. Wells returned Friday from Leonardtown. Thomas R. Brooks, of Mount Weather, Va., has been visiting his mother, Mrs. Thomas R. Brooks, Wine avenue and Franklin street. Miss Jennie Garland, of New York city, is visiting the Misses Simpson, in Mount Ranier.

Laurel.

Special Dispatch to The American.

Laurel, Md., February 8.—Mrs. Herman G. Odenwald, of Baltimore, visited her daughter, Mrs. Francis Devoughes, here this week. A surprise party was tendered Rev. Watson E. Holley, pastor of the Trinity Methodist Church South, on last Monday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James R. Fairall. Among those present were: Wilkerson Brashears, Mr. and Mrs. James R. Fairall, Mrs. M. R. Easton, Mr. and Mrs. John Fairall, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Whitmore, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lilly, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Harrison, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Chaney, Mr. and Mrs. John R. Jones, Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Sakers, Mr. and Mrs. John Kruhm, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence E. Beall, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Gates, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Aitheson, Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Mallonee, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest R. Harrison, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Owens, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Shipley, Mr. and Mrs. John Scott, Misses Mamie and Jessie Owens, Ella Leizear, Bertie Easton, Nina Moore, Helen Beall, Katie Duvall, Daisy Mallonee, May Fairall, Eva Sakers, Nora Lilly, Ethel Scott, Annie Sakers, Alma Sakers, Ernest Gates, Nellie Fairall, Josephine Whitmore and Ethel Shipley, Messrs. Bernard Mullican, Chas. Scott, Alfred Mallonee, Lee Harrison, Lee Whitmore and James Fairall. Mrs. Harry S. Phelps entertained the Foreign Missionary Society of the Centenary Methodist Church on last Monday evening at her home on Prince George street. Mrs. William E. Gilbert visited in Baltimore this week. Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Wachter were the guests of relatives in Baltimore this week. Miss Irene Leister has been spending several days with Mr. and Mrs. James McEwing at Havre de Grace. Mrs. Maurice Wooldridge, who has been spending a few weeks with relatives in Washington, has returned to her home here. Mrs. Eva Walch and son, Wymbert, visited at Landover during the week. The junior year class of the Laurel High School entertained the senior at the High School on last Saturday evening. William Swaffield, Lloyd Kaiser, Roy Hill, Hugh Fisher, Harry Duvall, Murile Fisher, Leonard Stockman, Herbert Timmons, Clayton Keys, of Jessups; Frank Brady, of Annapolis Junction; Dr. Tumbleson, Grafton, Pa., and Fred Seiling, of Guilford, Howard county; Harry Ulle, of Beltsville; Ray Burch, Burns Doing, Harry Hughes, of Berwyn; Harry Rassmussen, of College Park; William Disney, of Highland; S. W. Wainke, J. Herron, W. Lawrence, George Barchausen, of Washington; Harry Owens, Clem Forgan, Harry Trice, of Relay. Mrs. Leonard H. Stockman is visiting in Richmond, Va. Mr. and Mrs. Luther F. Graves are spending two weeks at Solomons Island.

SOMERSET.

Special Dispatch to The American.

Crisfield, Md., February 8.—One of the most successful social events of the season here was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. Pinto on Tuesday evening. Among those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Thornton, Mr. and Mrs. George W. Lawson, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Nelson, Mr. and Mrs. James B. Tawes, Mr. and Mrs. Nathaniel Gates, Mr. and Mrs. Warren F. Sterling, Mr. Wellington Tawes, Mrs. Lillian Moore, Mr. and Mrs. Coyne Sterling, Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher Sterling and Rev. and Mrs. E. H. Dashiell, all of this city, and Miss Iva Davis, of Federalsburg. Noah Lawson, who has been spending the past year in Akron, O., is home for a short visit. Mr. and Mrs. Isaac L. Otis, of Baltimore, are the guests of Mrs. Otis' father, James Sterling. Mr. and Mrs. Ernest B. Nelson gave an oyster roast at the large oyster-packing house of Tawes & Co., this city, on Friday evening. The guests were conveyed to and from the packing-house in large touring cars. Miss May Carroll, of New York city, is a guest at Bennett's Memorial Methodist Protestant Parsonage. Joseph Sterling spent a few days of the past week in Baltimore. J. Frank Cullen, who for several years past has been assistant engineer at the plant of the Crisfield Ice and Electric Company, left with his family on Tuesday for Baltimore to reside. John T. Bedsworth has returned from a visit to New York city. Dr. and Mrs. G. T. Simanson have returned from a visit to Baltimore and Washington. Mr. and Mrs. George Poleyette, who for some years past have resided in this city, left for their future home in Baltimore on Wednesday. City Councilman L. S. Nock left on Tuesday for a stay of some days in Baltimore and New York. Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Dougherty are guests of R. H. Dougherty, Baltimore. Mrs. Lee R. Melvin, of Wilmington, Del., is the guest of her mother, Mrs. W. F. Hall, Main street. After a visit of several months in Chicago and Boston, Sherman Dryden has returned to his home in Crisfield. Mrs. D. C. Walker, who has been the guest of her sister, Mrs. F. L. Godman, has returned to her home in Baltimore. Mrs. Elizabeth Roach is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Harry Egleston, in Philadelphia.

WASHINGTON.

Special Dispatch to The American.

Hagerstown, Md., February 8.—A prelenten dance was held at the Country Club. Among the guests were: Miss Gracie Oughton, Miss Cochran and Mr. Herbert Burgunter, Baltimore; Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Hershey, Denver; Mrs. S. R. Busey and Miss Lillian Busey, Catonsville; Miss Alice Cabel, Smithsburg; Col. and Mrs. William P. Lane, Mr. and Mrs. John G. Bower, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Henry Holzapfel, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. I. S. Kahn, Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Rothstein, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Armstrong, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Phreaner, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Leiter, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Hoffman, Mr. and Mrs. J. Harry Crossen, Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Stonebraker, Mr. and Mrs. O. H. W. Hunter, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Oswald, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Conley, Mr. and Mrs. George B. Crast, Dr. and Mrs. A. C. Maisch, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Gardner, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. King, Mrs. Charles K. Summers, Mrs. Julia McComas, Miss Phyllis and Marie Slauson, Mary and Margaret Staley, Nora Hammond, Naomi Ely, Irene Young, Helen McMillan, Edith Phreaner, Anna Bruin, Gladys Rothstein, Laura Chaney, Emma Brewer, Messrs. Charles C. Easton, Charles Lane second, Holton Sweeney, William A. Danzer, D. Ramacciotti, Edward M. Fechtig, Parker Brandt, Harry Fisler, Edward Bester, B. W. T. Phreaner, J. Clarence Lane second, Robert Hoffman, Donald Reed, John Crawford, Lewis T. Byron, Seth Reed, Ned Fechtig, Harry Eader, E. R. Crowe, Warren W. Stoner, H. A. Bester, Jr., Dr. W. R. Bender, Clarence Keedy, Roland Bower, A. H. Gunnell, Charles E. Hammond, Paul Stonebraker, John Bishop, Harry Miller, Earl Troup, Lewis Hamilton, Earl Kreps, Joseph Young, Homer Miller, William Garvin, George Updegraff, Jr., Roger Jamison, C. R. Merriman, N. B. Scott third, Henry Hoffmeier, Gordon K. Nicodemus, Ralph Boyer, Dr. G. F. Everhart, Ray Bölinger, Harvey Heyser, Carl Stonebraker. Miss Jean Lucas, Potomac avenue, entertained at cards Thursday afternoon and at supper in the evening. Mr. and Mrs. Charles C. Brake celebrated their crystal wedding at their home, 743 West Washington street. Rev. Roy Schmucker, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Daugherty and daughter, Bertha, Mr. and Mrs. Newton Hoffman and Miss Flora Hoffman were entertained at dinner by Mr. and

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GRAY FADED HAIR, OR BEAUTIFUL, DARK, ATTRACTIVE---CHOOSE, MADAM!

Says Sage Tea Mixed With Sulphur Restores Natural Color and Lustre.

Gray, faded hair turned beautifully dark and lustrous almost over night, is a reality, if you'll take the trouble to mix sage tea and sulphur, but what's the use, you get a large bottle of the ready-to-use tonic, called "Wyeth's Sage and Sulphur Hair Remedy" at drug stores here for about 50 cents. Millions of bottles of "Wyeth's" are sold annually, says a well-known druggist, because it darkens the hair so naturally and evenly that no one can tell it has been applied.

You just dampen a sponge or soft brush with Wyeth's Sage and Sulphur and draw it through your hair, taking one small strand at a time. Those whose hair is turning gray, becoming faded, dry, scraggly and thin have a surprise awaiting them, because after just one application the gray hair vanishes and your locks become luxuriantly dark and beautiful—all dandruff goes, scalp itching and falling hair stops.

This is the age of youth, gray-haired, unattractive folks aren't wanted around, so get busy with the Sage and Sulphur tonight and you'll be amazed at your youthful appearance and the real beauty and healthy condition of your hair within a few days. Inquiry at drug stores here shows that they all sell lots of "Wyeth's Sage and Sulphur" and the folks using it are enthusiastic.

My Catarrh Balm Opens Up Nose and Head—Colds Go

Try "Ely's Cream Balm."

Get a small bottle anyway, just to try it—Apply a little in the nostrils and instantly your clogged nose and stopped-up air passages of the head will open; you will breathe freely; dullness and headache disappear. By morning! the catarrh, cold-in-head or catarrhal sore throat will be gone.

End such misery now! Get the small bottle of "Ely's Cream Balm" at any drug store. This sweet, fragrant balm dissolves by the heat of the nostrils; penetrates and heals the inflamed, swollen membrane which lines the nose, head and throat; clears the air passages; stops nasty discharges and a feeling of cleansing, soothing relief comes immediately.

Don't lay awake tonight struggling for breath, with head stuffed, nostrils closed, hawking and blowing. Catarrh or a cold, with its running nose, foul mucous dropping into the throat, and raw dryness is distressing but truly needless.

Put your faith—just once—in "Ely's Cream Balm" and your cold or catarrh will surely disappear.

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