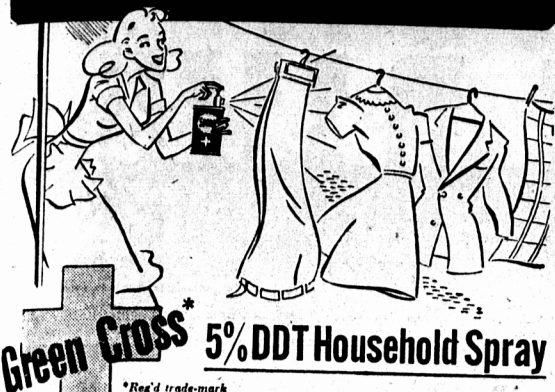


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Barn Hay Drying Results For 1947

(Experimental Farms News)

Investigation on barn hay drying were continued in 1947 at the Dominion Experimental Farm, Agassiz, B. C. During the season a total of four separate lots of hay were finished in the duct system. In one instance a test was run on a lot of hay carrying a moisture content of 62 per cent, but for the remainder, the procedure followed was the same as in the previous year. As formerly, unheated air was forced through the hay by means of an electric fan capable of delivering 15,000 cubic feet per minute.

The results obtained during the second year of testing were substantially the same as those for 1946, states M. F. Clarke. Provided the hay was wilted down to 45 per cent moisture before it was placed on the duct system, the resulting product was slightly superior to field cured hay in respect to protein and carotene. In one test, part of the field was made into silage and in terms of carotene and protein the silage was markedly better than the two types of hay.

The attempt to finish hay of 62 per cent moisture indicated that the power cost was prohibitive. In addition, only a very small quantity could be handled at one time. In terms of power consumed plus depreciation on equipment, the barn cured hay cost \$2.23 per ton in 1947 as against \$1.70 the previous year. This did not include other items of cost in making hay. The barn cured, being higher in moisture, was more difficult to store in the mow but it was assumed that this was offset by cost of cooling, etc., under field curing.

From the two results, it is evident that barn hay curing has only limited possibilities under Fraser Valley conditions. The product obtained has been only slightly superior to field cured hay made under approximately average conditions. In addition, hay of better than 40 per cent moisture content is difficult to store and if not properly placed over the drier a very high degree of spoilage can occur. Field chopping or the use of the pick-up baler could eliminate many of the difficulties associated with handling partially cured hay. However, the drying properties of hay produced by these methods are different from long hay and these should be investigated.

Some recognition must be given to the value of barn drying systems as an insurance against total loss in extremely wet seasons. But this is offset to some extent by the fact that mow drying proceeds very slowly in periods of damp weather. Then, too, there is the practicability and ease of making silage under conditions that are too wet for making hay.

RANGE FOR POULTRY GROWING STOCK

(Experimental Farms News)

Good pasture, properly managed can be of great value for growing pullets, both for its nutritional value, and as a means of controlling disease. Its chief nutritional value is its vitamin content, the green forage being an excellent source of vitamin A and most of the other necessary vitamins with the exception of "D", which is supplied by sunlight. It is also a good supplementary source of proteins and minerals, and so conserves expensive feeds. It has been suggested that, when growing birds are on range, feed may be restricted by 10 to 15 per cent without retarding the rate of growth or subsequent egg production.

Poultry range, especially if it is part of a crop rotation helps to promote the health of the birds but it must be properly managed. It should be well away from the older birds to prevent parasites and disease from passing from the mature hens to the young growing stock. The young birds should never come in contact with the older stock, and therefore it is desirable to have clean brooder houses on the range, ready to move the chicks into as soon as they arrive. When the birds are old enough, range shelters may be provided and these should be moved from time to time to prevent bare areas which are likely to become contaminated. A four or five year rotation for poultry range is desirable, as year-to-year grazing on the same area may ultimately result in serious diseases and parasite contamination. Brooder houses and range shelters should always be thoroughly cleaned before moving them onto the following year's range. If this is not done, the filth and dirt will be carried over to the clean ground, which, of course, defeats the main object of range rotation.

Ladino clover provides excellent forage for poultry, although alsike clover has been found very satisfactory at the Prince George Dominion Experimental Station, B. C., says W. J. Cuthbert. One acre of range will provide good pasture for 400 to 700 growing birds, depending upon the growth and succulence of the forage.

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Both should be sown as soon as the garden is prepared. While New Zealand spinach is a tropical plant, its seeds germinate best in the cool weather of early spring; and germination is often difficult if sown when the ground warms up. Whether you sow one or both of these excellent greens, remember that they produce abundantly and are easily overplanted.

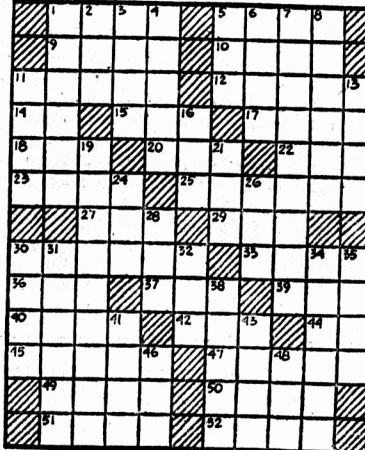
Where the crop is poor, no more than 400 birds should be allowed per acre. Clipping the forage periodically will maintain it in a succulent palatable and nutritious condition. Cultivated plants, such as sunflowers, provide the most desirable shade, as the ground beneath such permanent shade as trees and shrubs will become contaminated, and is difficult to keep clean. Feed hoppers and water fountains should be placed on wire frames to prevent the birds from picking food from the contaminated ground underneath.

DAILY CROSSWORD

- ACROSS 1. Frans — Dutch painter 5. Engrossed 9. A source of indigo 10. Spanish river 11. Reptile 12. Abounds 14. King of Bashan (Bib.) 15. Ever (poet.) 17. Young oyster 18. Not many 20. Expression of contempt 22. Goddess of discord 23. Snare 25. Cairn 27. Period of time 29. Food (Hawaiian) 30. Squanders 33. Concludes 36. Chop 37. Apex 39. Gazelle (Tibet) 40. God of love 42. A long, bench-like seat 44. Measure (Chin.) 45. Wearies 47. Scoffs 49. Girl's name 50. Peruvian Indian 51. Long, coarse nap of cloth

DOWN 1. Oriental dagger 2. Sayings 3. Similar 4. Slumber 5. Soak flax 6. Man's nickname (poss.) 7. Getting ready 8. A fleshy fruit 11. Malleable 13. Bolt slowly 16. Steal 19. American poet 21. Chance 24. Stroke lightly 26. Spaw of fish 28. Still 30. Stimulate 31. Eagle's nests 32. Soak up 34. Monetary unit (U.S.) 35. Cabine monkey 38. Danger

Yesterday's Answer 41. Bristle-like organ 43. Diminish, as the moon 46. Droop in the middle 48. Frozen water



CRYPTOQUOTE—A cryptogram quotation

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Yesterday's Cryptoquote: AND THOUGH SHE SAW ALL HEAVEN IN FLOWER ABOVE, SHE WOULD NOT LOVE—SWINBURNE.

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Flying officer Hubert Brooks of the Olympic champion R.C.A.F. hockey team came home with more than the Olympic gold medal all members of the team received. He is shown here with his bride, the former Miss Birthe Gronsted of Denmark, whom he married during the Olympic trip, as they returned to Ottawa with the team. Barbara Ann Scott was their bridesmaid.—Canadian Pacific Railway Photo.



Scout News and Notices

Lord Rowellan, Chief Scout of the British Commonwealth and Empire is to receive an honorary degree from McGill University on May 26th. While in Montreal the Chief Scout will address a reunion of Old Scouts.

Winnipeg Boy Scouts have been mobilized in order to be prepared to render emergency service in the flooded areas there. In the new Wildwood section of Fox Garry, where dykes are being built, Scouts are doing guard duty to keep people off the property. Senior Scouts, Rover and Leaders are operating a canteen in Elm Park, and have provided assistance to health officers inoculating residents of the West Kildonan section against typhoid. Sea Scouts of the 4th Ottawa (Eastview) troop have been officially thanked by the Eastview Town Council and the Community Association for valuable assistance rendered that community when waters from the Rideau River flooded the area and many homes were completely surrounded by water.

Moset Rev. George Frederick Kingston, Archbishop of Nova Scotia and Primate of all Canada has sent the following 40th anniversary message to Canadian Boy Scouts:—

"I have deep appreciation of the contribution which is being made by the Boy Scouts Association towards the building of character. Character is a condition of life into which many strands of training are entwined. I have observed that the Boy Scouts Association has a genius not only for choosing the particular modes of training which should be related to the development of character, but also unique wisdom in rightly relating skill, discipline and experience so as to produce most effective results in the art of living, both as individuals and as members of a Christian society."

BEGGING GERMAN CHARGED

BERLIN, May 2—(AP)—A German accused of writing nearly 800 begging letters to the United States and other countries will face fraud charges, the American Military Government said Saturday. A statement said the man, Heinrich Czerwinski, 23, admitted receiving about 90 food packages on the representation that he was on a starvation diet.

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Dr. Jose Arce of Argentina, new President of the UN General Assembly, addresses a session at Flushing, N.Y., called to consider the Palestine question. Dr. Arce's election came as a surprise. He reportedly was the behind-the-scenes choice of Great Britain and Arab nations. At left is UN Secretary-General Trygve Lie.

By J. R. Williams