#### **EXCELLENT RATION FOR COW**

If Farmers Would Depend More of Silage and Less on Pasture Herds Could Be Doubled.

A good ration for cows giving milk is silage twice a day, corn fodder once a day and all the bean forage they will clean up, with about one pound grain or concentrate to every three pounds milk the cow gives. If the beans were pulled before becoming too ripe and secured without much rain failing on them, the forage makes good feed. Roots are valuable to increase the flow of milk.

If we would depend more on silage and less on pasture, our dairy herds might easily be doubled and the farm enriched accordingly. Many farmers have been slow to awaken to the fact that dairying brings excellent returns. Many unprofitable crops are still raised where the land might better be growing feed for live stock.

Permanent pasture is a waste unless the land cannot be plowed. Every acre should be made to raise feed for stock to the limit of its capacity, and this should be fed right on the farm, returning the fertility to the soil.

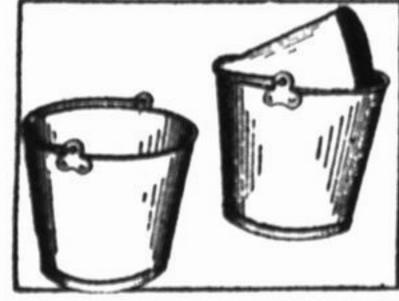
#### PAIL OF GREAT IMPORTANCE

Where Clean Milk is Produced Small-Top Receptacle is Necessary to Exclude Bacteria.

The United States department of agriculture has this to say about milking:

"In modern dairies where clean milk is produced the small-top milk pail is a necessity, as such a pail presents only a small opening into which dust and dirt may fall from the air or from the cow's body. It has been found by experience that the use of the small-top pail greatly reduces the number of bacteria in milk from average dairies. Many types of milk pails are for sale, but any tinner can convert an ordinary pail into a small-top pail by the addition of a hood, as shown herewith.

Milkers should be allowed to milk only with dry hands. The practice of wetting the hands with milk is a fithy habit and is liable to cause the



Open and Small-Top Pails.

cow's teats to chap in the winter time. Milking should be done quickly and thoroughly, with no violent jerking of the teats. After each cow is milked the pail of milk should b removed immediately to the milk

The milker should remember al ways that he is handling a human food which is very easily contaminated. Soap, clean water and towels must be readily accessible. The hands should be washed after milking each

#### COTTONSEED MEAL FOR COWS

No Harmful Effects If Fed in Moder ate Amounts Along With Variety of Other Feeds.

Oty E. G. WOODWARD, Nebraska Experiment Station.)

A Nebraska subscriber writes: "Is the feeding of cottonseed meal harmful to dairy cows if fed right along?" If cottonseed meal is fed in moder

ate amounts along with a variety of other feeds, there are no harmful ef-

Ordinarily a cow should not be fed more than two pounds daily of cottonseed meal. As a usual thing it will not take this amount to properly balance a ration made up of common dairy feeds.

At present prices cottonseed meal is a very cheap source of protein and should undoubtedly be used much more extensively by Nebraska dairymen than it now is.

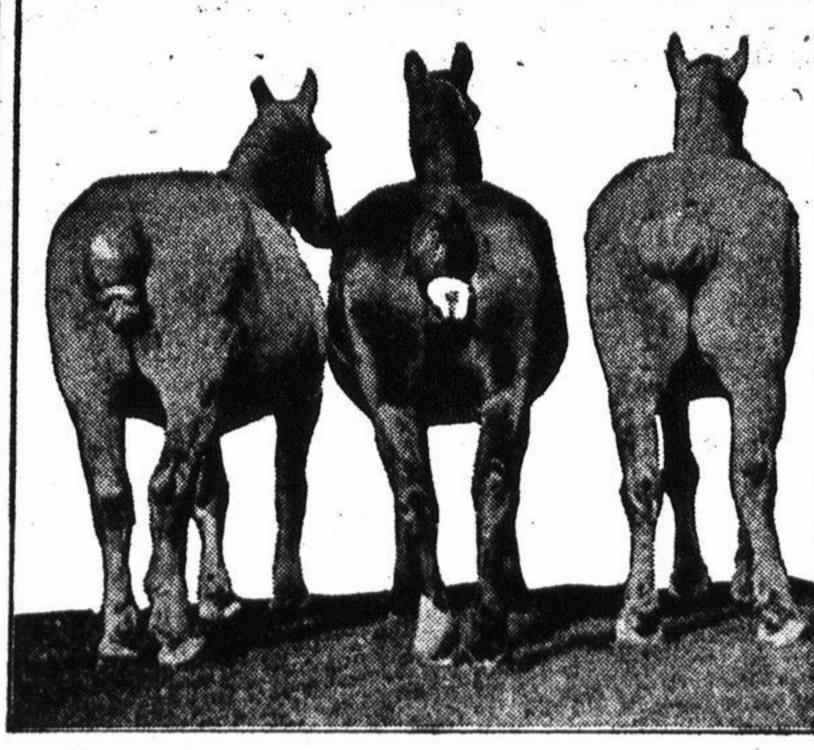
#### MUD HOLES IN COW PASTURE

Clean Shore is Blessing to Fly-Pes tered Animals-Many Annoyances Are Avoided.

A cow pasture mud hole is a veritable nuisance. To get away from the flies the cows will wade in the mud until their legs and even their udders become completely plastered. Then and kicking at files at milking time we ave the added annoyance of being leed to milk cows with chapped

clean lake shore or river or brook he pasture is a bleaning indeed to Ay postered cows, but the mud hole and either be drained or fenced out pasture. Foul in the foot with and grease beel with horses, is not of tramping back and forth

### MOST PROFITABLE HORSE FOR THE FARMER



The Horse So Often Neglected on the Farm is the Draft Horse.

(By H. R. WILLIAMS, Arizona Experi- | animals of the type best suited to

production has there been such a lack | defined idea of the type of horse he of study or system as that of horse production. For many years the farmers have practiced hapbazard methods of breeding, feeding, care and management as well as preparation for market. They have bred and reared horses without any regard to their own local demand or the re-

quirements of users from a distance. Horse breeding when judiciously carried on has been a profitable business for American farmers. If horses are bred with a definite object in view, as some special class, one need not be afraid of a poor market. However, farmers who do not exercise care and business methods in the production of desirable sorts will undoubtedly find that they have too many missits on their hands that can

not be sold at a profit. To be a successful horse breeder a the horse market, know the various classes, and set about to produce the draft horses are good feet and legs, animals that are in demand. In the great markets, horses are classed according to their work. It is impossible to draw hard-and-fast lines between some of the classes, but most of them are fairly well defined. A horse that is known in one part of with good size and quality to a firstthe country by one name may be dif- class sire of any of the recognized ferent from a horse which is referred | draft breeds. Percheron horses have to by the same name in another part. However, there are certain distinct in Arizona, since they have excellent classes which are given the same action and large size. The breeder name the world over, and it is with should aim at a perfect, heavy draft these that the farmer should familiar- type and make every effort possible

types in greatest demand on the mar- could still be suited to some other

his conditions. He must be a good In no other one line of live stock | judge of horses, have a clear and well is going to breed, and then set out to produce it.

There are four distinct classes suit able for production. These are the heavy drafters, carriage or coach horses, roadsters and saddle horses. any of these are always in demand and command high prices. Of these Among Other Advantages They Are four classes, the heavy draft horse is best suited for Arizona farming. These may be raised on the range or on alfalfa pasture and marketed at a good

than colts of the lighter class. This Independent Farmer. Furthermore, a draft colt earns his ventive of disease. own living after he is two years old | The animal heat from the sow has a points to be considered in selecting combination hog house. legs are of first importance in any been proved to be suited to conditions to produce it. In case the colts were After the farmer knows the various lighter in weight than expected they ket he should aim to produce superior | classes that would bring less money

#### NOTES PICKED UP MAKE PREPARATION IN POULTRY YARD

Little Details Make Difference | Pullet Must Be Well Developed to Between Success and Failure With Chickens.

Keep the hens well supplied with water to drink, and see that the chill is taken off it in the cold weather.

If you have not been in the habit of giving them all they need, you will be surprised at how much they will drink. They should have all they want, but it must be clean and not too cold. If a hen gets chilled she will stop laying.

It is the little details that make the difference between success and failure in poultry raising.

The pullets that are filling the egg basket their first winter are the ones that delight the farmer's heart, and the poultry man who has such a flock is now reaping the reward of his well-managed business.

Pullets hatched in March or April and properly taken care of, should begin laying in November, if not before, and continue laying all through the winter, when the price for eggs is highest.

The egg shells from the eggs used in the kitchen should be dried and fed to the hens. They will help out the supply of lime which the hens must have in some form, to prevent them laying soft shelled eggs.

Be sure to crush the shells so there will be no danger of teaching the hens to eat eggs.

The very best of food without a plentiful supply of pure, fresh water will fail to induce the hens to lay.

Reduce the drinking part of your hens' ration and the egg yield will soon be reduced, for water is the principal substance in an egg and it cannot be reduced.

est thing we can supply our poultry. If the mash you feed is given to the fowls warm these cold days, it will be invigorating, but if it becomes cold or frozen before it is consumed it is very unsuitable food, as the fowls will then be compelled to take considerable cold water in the mash, which

Don't forget the hens' dust bath, and still not laying, they should make They must have it to be health; and

# FOR WINTER EGGS

Become Good Producer-Hatch Them Early.

About the last of September is the annual worry time for those high priced eggs. Get busy now-hatch your chicks during March and April, get rid of the cockerels just as soon as they are big enough to fry-give the pullets range, lots of feed, fresh water and milk, and the worry time will be only a dream.

A pullet must be well developed be fore cold weather to be an early winter producer. Our summer season is short and we must take advantage of every growing day and even crowd things a little by hatching early and give our chicks a little special care until warm weather when they can look after themselves on range.

Mr. Vaplon of the Colorado agricultural college advocates early hatching also, to get a better price for the cockerels. He says a two-pound cockerel (in May and June) is worth as much or more than he will bring when he weighs two or three times as much. Getting these fellows out of the way means also more room and better care for the pullets.

Don't depend on hens for winter eggs; the pullets are the only solution - . they must be hatched early.

Care of Meadow.

Where the gophers have worked up the meadow sod, take a common garden rake, smooth down the dirt mounds, aprinkle seeds over them, brush lightly again with the rake and you will not only avoid running your sickles through the dirt and dulling them, but a good set of grass will spring up and cover the ground. If a considerable area is worked up. Next to pure air, water is the cheap- hitch to the harrow and level down the gopher mounds, seed them and harrow again after seeding.

#### Comfortable Stock

the poultry comfortable. Good food, good care and comfortable quarters are the important factors in making poultry pay. If the hens are getting the above-mentioned attention up for lost time when the hatching season comes around

#### TREATING HOGS FOR CHOLERA

Summary of Results Obtained From Use of Serum Are Interesting as Well as Valuable.

(By GEORGE H. GLOVER, Colorado Ex-

periment Station.) In a recent report of the chief of the bureau of animal industry, a summary of the results obtained from the use of serum are interesting and valuable as indicating the usefulness of

serum in infected herds. Of 16,152 hogs, where 70 per cent were sick with cholera and the serum was given to all of them, only 24.3 per cent died. Without the serum a loss of 75 per cent might have been expected. The value of the serum as a cure is apparent. In 11,776 hogs that were well when given the serum but kept in herds with sick hogs, there was a loss of 2.9 per cent, while in a total of 13,578 hogs that were healthy, then given the serum, and later exposed to cholera, there was a loss of only a little over one-half of one per

In the record kept by the Colorado Agriculture college, we find that in the San Luis valley, where hogs were not given the serum until the disease appeared, there was a loss of about 22 per cent.

#### INDIVIDUAL HOUSE FOR HOGS

Light, Easily Moved to Fresh Soil -Easy to Construct.

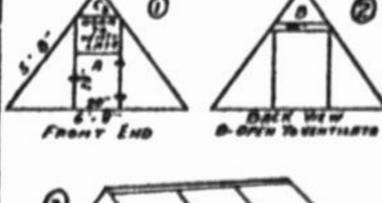
The individual hog house for farrowing, I think, has many advantages The draft colt can be raised with over the combination sort, writes C. S. less risk and less liability to accident | Bratt of Furnas county, Nebraska, in

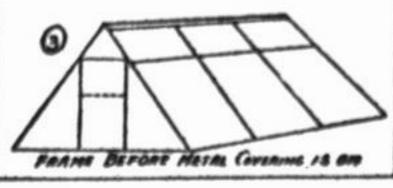
is because he is less active and slight | They are light, easily moved from bruises or blemishes do not seriously one lot to another, or to fresh soil in detract from the value of the drafter. the same lot, which is a good pre-

and his education can be completed greater influence on the temperature man must be thoroughly familiar with on the farm. Some of the essential in cold weather than in the ordinary

I have used individual houses seven weight exceeding at least 1,600 pounds. feet long, seven feet wide of lumber. a well developed blocky body with but this year have added some made good style and action. The feet and of galvanized sheet iron nailed on a wooden frame. These are six feet horse. A desirable draft animal may eight inches square at the base. They be produced by breeding large mares are warm and dry. I do not consider them as good for warm weather owing to the sun's heat having so much influence on them.

> Any farmer can make these sheet iron houses, as they are quite simple





Individual Hog House.

in construction. The material cost me \$7.50 each. For the frame I selected good 2 by 4 lumber and ripped them in two making 2 by 2. I planned my frame so as to nail all seams of the sheeting over the wood. The galvanized iron I used is 26 gauge, 28 by 96 inches.

Use the large-headed galvanized roofing nails.

#### SOLID TEETH ARE ESSENTIAL

Look at Ewe's Mouth Before Buying-Full-Mouthed Animal Can Be Used for Breeding.

In buying ewes be sure they stand well on their feet and have good straight backs and good mouths. "Broken-mouthed" ewes, that is, ewes with broken teeth or badly worn down should not be bought.

A sheep has one pair permanent incisor teeth when it is a year old, two pairs or full mouth at three years old. A full-mouthed ewe can be used for breeding even though she is as much as five years old,

SWINE NOTES.

Use enough litter to keep the pens

When scouring give the pigs a good dose of common baking soda. Keep the pens, troughs and barrels

clean. Don't overlook that. It is of importance that the brood sow be kept in a vigorous thrifty condition, not too fat but full of vitality. Feed the brood sow protein foods as much as possible and avoid feeds rich

in fat-forming elements. The first requisite in the hog bustness is a good hog house well ventilated, set with ends north and south.

Brood Mares. While the brood mares should not be jammed about and abused, they do require gentle exercise, light driving and moderate work to keep their digestion, respiration and circulation in good, healthy, normal condition. Idleness and inactivity are not conducive to the production strong, vigorous offspring

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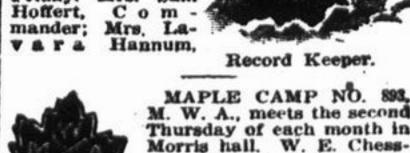
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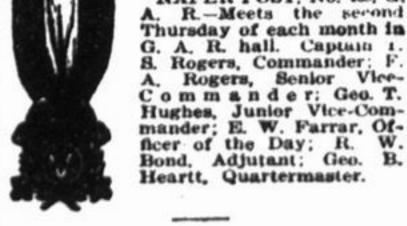
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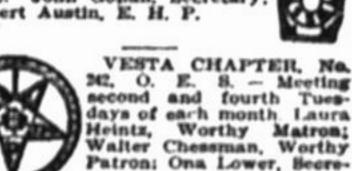


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