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#### NOTES

#### Cleanliness of Dairy Utensils Is An Important Factor In Pure Milk Supply--The Rearing of Young Chicks.

DAIRY

ination to which milk is subject, the after each feeding, and as soon as dairy utensils have been definitely the chicks get used to the hoppers established as one of the most ser- dependence is placed on them, and ious, capable of contributing a high the hand feeding abandoned. Founpercentage of the bacteria found in tains of water, and where possible, milk. Consequently the sterilization sour milk is supplied, also hoppers of of cans, pails or other containers chick grit and fine oyster shell. cannot be neglected if milk contain- When the chicks are from ten days ing few bacteria is to be produced. to two weeks old light feeds of Thorough cleaning is essential, but in scratch grain are given in the litter itself is insufficient. Steps must be to keep them busy. Green feedtaken to destroy as many as possible sprouted oats, lettuce, chopped greens of the bacteria still remaining, if the of various kinds are supplied. keeping quality of milk is to be im- This feeding is continued until the

sufficient quantity of boiling water two weeks. gives good results Pails, strainers, The chick starter in use at the letc., after washing are scalded by Farm is shorts, middlings, ground pouring a pint of boiling water over yellow corn and oat flour, equal the entire inner surface; cans are parts, with 10 percent animal feed best treated by pouring in a quart of added, 2 percent cod liver oil and 1/2 boiling water, replacing the lid, and to 1 percent salt. The animal feed rolling the can along the floor to en- mixture is 2 parts meat meal ,2 parts sure thorough scalding of the inner bone meal, 2 parts fish meal, 2 parts surface. As the temperature of the |cod liver meal, 2 parts milk powder, water drops over 50 degrees F. dur- but where it is not convenient to get ing this operation, a fresh quantity all these ingredients a good quality must be provided for each utensil of meat and bone meal will give good Unless this is done, good results can- results.

not be hoped for. Because of the saving in time and fuel, chlorine solutions are being used in some districts to replace the scalding treatment, and where used intelligently have equal or superior sterilizing efficiency. Cans and pails are carefully rinsed with chlorine solution as in the scalding treatment, YORK PIONEER and HISTORICAL or immersed for one minute in a tank containing the solution. Either is satisfactory provided the utensils are well washed and the chlorine solution is up to strength. Further details regarding this method may be obtained from the Division of Bac-

teriology, Central Experimental farm Following sterilization, unless used immediately, utensils should be inverted upon a draining rack to dry. Except during the cold weather, an outdoor rack placed in the sun is desirable. With free circulation of air, the utensils will soon dry, checking the multiplication of the few surviving bacteria and ensuring that the benefits of the sterilizing treatment will not be lost through further development of bacteria in the moisture inside the utensils.

#### THE CARE OF BABY CHICKS

When the chicks have become thoroughly dry after hatching they may be removed from the incubator and taken to the brooder. In doing this care should be taken

to see that the chicks do not become chilled. A basket lined with flannel with a loose flannel covering makes a good carrier.

The hover should be heated so that the introduction of the chicks will raise the temperature to above 100 degrees. This will mean 90 to 95 degrees in a compartment brooder, or where colony stoves are used 95 to 100 depending on the number of chicks to be accommodated. The comfort of the chicks is readily determined by the sound or lack of sound. When they are comfortable they will be comparatively quiet with only an occasional contented cheep, but if they are uncomfortable they will quickly announce the fact in a continual fretful discontented chirp-

When preparing the brooders, if "draw" at 1.50 p. m. Choirs will shavings or alfalfa leaves are used for a litter, boards on which to sprinkle coarse sand or fine oyster shell are placed in the pens.

When the chicks are placed in the brooders they should be confined to the brooding compartment, or if colony stoves are used a confining fence should be used to keep them fairly close to the source of heat, and they should be left alone until they show positive signs of hunger. As it is period, rather than food, this will be GLAZED TILE when they are about 36 to 48 hours

We have coming a carload of select end posts and brace posts Ideas differ greatly on the question of feeding, not only in methods but in rations. Experience at the Central Experimental Farm has shown just as good results from complicated. When the chicks show positive signs of hunger hoppers of chick mash are placed in the pens, as it takes several days before the chicks become accustomed to feeding from them at regular intervals five

times a day, small quantities of the dry mash are sprinkled on the feed-Of the various sources of contam- ing boards. These are cleaned off

chicks are old enough to go on range, For sterilizing, steam under pres- lalthough if it is desired to bring the sure, the most satisfactory agent, is chicks along quickly moist mashes seldom available In its absence, a are used after the first ten days to

# TO BE HELD MAY 12

SOCIETY OFFERS MANY PRIZES

For the past two years the York Pioneer and Historical Society has arranged a Musical and Oratorical Contest open to church choirs outside of Toronto, and boys and girls of the County of York. This is part of the plan of the Society to aid in developing the Community Spirit in all its phases. The events in past years have been very successful with many church choirs and young people competing. The details of the contests this year are:-

1, Competition to be held on Saturday, May 12th, 1928, in United Church, Richmond Hill.

2, Oratorical in the morning at 10 o'clock; Musical in the afternoon at 2 o'clock, standard time.

The following are the events: 1. Silver shield for Best Church choir, with prize for 2nd place. Silver medal for leader of first place choir. Selections to be sung: Anthem (accompanied) -"The Radiant Morn" (Woodward). Hymn (unaccompan-

Tune, "Eventide". 2. Gold Medal for best girl singer under 18 years of age. Selection-"Sunbeams", (Landon Ronald).

(ied)—"Abide with Me" vs. 1-3-5.

3. Silver Medal for best boy singer with unchanged voice. Selection-"Hark, Hark, the Lark," (Schubert.)

4. Two Silver Shields for Oratory Open to ontinuation and High School pupils under 18 years of age. Subject, "The Glory of York County." Time, 10 minutes.

(4) No Choir competing may use any paid member outside of the leader and organist.

(5) No Choir may use any but its regular members. (6) All accompaniments to be

played on a piano. (7) Competitors in Oratory Contest will "draw" for order of speaking at 9.45 a.m. Soloists will

follow and "draw" at 2.30 p.m. (8) There will be no charge for admission.

(9) Entries to be made with N.F. Caswell, 148 King St. West, Toronto, not later than May 1st, 1928.

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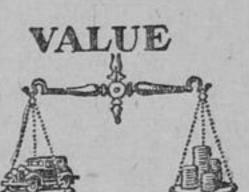
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