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HULLESS OATS

The increase in hog production has had the effect of increasing the general demand for seed of hullless oats. While in some parts this may only be temporary, in other districts there appears to have been a more or less steadily increasing demand for this seed.

The economy of using oat groats for young stock and poultry has been proved by many feeding trials and whenever the production of home grown concentrates is practicable, a small acreage of hullless oats should well repay the grower for special purpose feeding, says R. A. Derick, Cereal Division, Ontario Experimental Farm, Ottawa.

There are, however, some difficulties in growing hullless oats. One of these is their tendency to shell readily in handling, particularly when left too long in the field. This, however, may be overcome to some extent by cutting when slightly immature. Susceptibility of the popular Can. varieties, Laurel and Liberty, to the smuts and rusts is also a handicap. The tendency of these two varieties to revert to hull-bearing types is another objection although this may be overcome by hand-picking enough pure hullless seed for a small seed plot each year.

The storing of hullless oats is also a matter requiring special attention as this type of oats needs very readily when any large quantity is stored in poorly ventilated bins. Furthermore, sprouting in the stook as a result of bad harvest weather is usually found to be more serious in hullless oats on account of the absence of hulls.

When the yield of hullless oats is considered in comparison with hull-bearing types, results have shown that the varieties Laurel and Liberty are comparable to other established varieties when allowance is made for the absence of hull in the hullless varieties. The new variety Brighton, released in 1942 and developed by the Cereal Division, Central Experimental Farm, Ottawa, is high yielding, has medium maturity, large kernels, and is resistant to the smuts.

Recent breeding work has overcome some of the disadvantages of hullless oats. Varieties have been developed that are resistant to both the smuts and rusts. Early maturity and strength of straw have also been bred into these new hybrids. It is safe to assume that new varieties will soon be available that will represent definite improvements over the varieties now grown.

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Operating The Small Incubator

With the increased demand for eggs any person with idle small incubators should put them in shape for hatching if at all possible. Small lamp heated incubators may vary in capacity from 50 to 600 eggs. The larger sizes are usually easier and more economical to operate and will maintain more even temperature. In all cases where manufacturers' directions are available they should be followed. In most cases however, the manufacturers of these machines are no longer in business and the original directions have been lost. In such cases the following instructions should give good results providing the hatching eggs are of good quality, says Dr. S. S. Munro, Poultry Division, Central Experimental Farm Ottawa.

First overhaul the machine making sure the doors fit tight, that the trays are in good repair and slide easily, that the insulation is intact and especially that the lamp and heating jacket whether hot air or hot water is sound and tight. The thermostat is perhaps the most important single part of the machine and if this is not in perfect condition it should be replaced with a new one. The bar type of thermostat which utilizes the difference in rate of expansion between two different kinds of metal is quite indestructible and barring accident will last as long as the machine.

The incubator should be placed in a room with a fairly constant temperature of 65 degrees or 70 degrees. It should be placed in a corner or side of the room free of draughts and levelled from front to back as well as from side to side. If a hot water type the water system should be flushed out once and then refilled with clean water. The lamp should be thoroughly cleaned and provided with a new wick, and the thermometer tested alongside a clinical or laboratory thermometer of known accuracy. The machine should be started and run for a few days before putting in the eggs. A single layer of eggs should be placed on the tray and the thermometer should be suspended with the bulb 1/4 inch above the top of the eggs. The proper incubation temperature with the thermometer in this position is 103 degrees, although some manufacturers recommend 1/2 degrees lower during the first week or ten days. Keep the temperature as uniform as possible. Much of the success in maintaining this uniformity depends on the care of the lamp. The highest grade of coal oil obtainable should be used and the wick trimmed every morning. In trimming, the corners of the wick should be rounded so as to create a round flame which will not deposit soot on the chimney. If there is no automatic turning device the egg trays should be removed from the machine and the eggs rolled over by hand at least three and better four times per day. They should be immediately replaced; it is not necessary to cool them.

If the machine is located in a very damp basement it is not necessary to keep water in the moisture pan under the egg tray but in most cases this pan should be kept filled with warm water.

After one week the eggs may be tested for fertility in the usual way, that is by holding in front of a bright light in a dark room. Those which are clear except for the faint yolk shadow are infertile. A dead embryo will appear as a sharply defined black area attached to the inner surface of the shell or as a bright red ring of blood also attached to the shell. Eggs containing living embryos will possess a sharply defined dark spot which is loose and may be seen by sharply rotating the egg and from which radiate numerous red blood vessels.

The eggs may be tested again on the 18th day at which time all eggs which are not completely filled out except for the large air cell may be removed.

Do not open the machine after the 18th day until the chicks have hatched and are dried off which is usually the 22nd day.

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Selective Service Aims To Leave Farm Help on the Farms

Answering criticisms directed at the Government from other parts of Canada that farmers and farm laborers are being yanked into the army without consideration for increasing food supply demands, Reeve R. W. Scott of Vaughan Township, agricultural representative on the War Services Board for Division "B", which includes approximately all of Military District No. 2, is emphatic in his declaration that farmers under the jurisdiction of this board receive 100 per cent co-operation from its members.

"Without exception, where a man has consistently been a farmer, he gets postponement from this board," stated Mr. Scott. "This applies in any case where carefully gathered information warrants that there is sufficient production to necessitate his being left on the farm. And, without exception, there is no postponement when there is enough information to substantiate the request of the individual for deferment. That shows the fairness of this board."

"We check what they were doing at the date of registration and then determine by various sources of information to find out if between registration and being called up they have been engaged in other occupations," said Mr. Scott when asked regarding cases of evasion. "If they have been employed in industry outside of permissible seasonal occupations, no deferment is granted."

"If it is definitely proved that they have been on the farm since March 23, 1942, they receive favorable consideration, otherwise the only chance of postponement is on the ground of harvesting perishable seasonal crops. When there is any doubt in the minds of the board, investigators go thoroughly into the case, and if there are not sufficient favorable facts to warrant postponement the applicant is given time to put his affairs in order, and then is inducted into the army," explained Mr. Scott.

Asked if the policy of Board "B" had benefited to the extent of greater farm production, Mr. Scott, who has just been re-elected chairman of the Agricultural and Reforestation Committee for the County of York, stated: "I have reason to believe that the policy of this board has stabilized farm production in this district by building confidence among the farmers that they can carry out their plans for increased crops and products without unforeseen interruption. In many cases where the individual has been called up the military has co-operated and sent those so called back to the board on pass for a personal interview. If the board felt that the information given held sufficient reason, these boys were sent back to the farms until another check had been made as to the advisability of their leaving there."

Mr. Scott said that he had been discouraging farmers from taking other temporary employment, saying that when a postponement is granted it is solely with the idea of increased farm production in mind.

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Dated at Toronto this 1st day of February, 1943.

ALBERT E. GLASS,
Richmond Hill, Ontario,
JOSEPH H. BULL,
Jefferson, Ontario,
Executors.
By their Solicitor
W. S. JENKINS,
18 Toronto St., Toronto.

Notice to Creditors AND OTHERS

In the Estate of EMMA BIGNELL, deceased.

All persons having claims against the Estate of Emma Bignell, late of the Village of Thornhill, in the County of York, married woman, who died on or about the 16th day of April, 1942, are hereby notified to send particulars of same to the undersigned on or before the 25th day of February, 1943, after which date the Estate will be distributed, having regard only to the claims of which the undersigned shall then have notice, and the undersigned will not be liable to any person of whose claim they shall not then have notice.

Dated at Toronto this 1st day of February, 1943.

GEORGE H. BIGNELL,
Thornhill, Ontario,
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Dated at Montreal, Province of Quebec, this 5th day of January, 1943.

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