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Rose Comb Black Minorcas
Quality First, Last and Always
Rose Comb Black Minorcas
Exclusively
EGGS \$2 PER THIRTEEN

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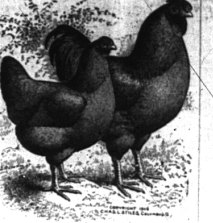
Single Comb White Leghorns
If you wish Eggs from birds of large size—the kind that lay in Winter—try our Barred Plymouth Rocks, Single Comb White Leghorns and Single Comb Buff Leghorns.
Stock all sold.

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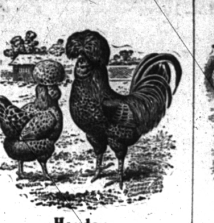
Rose Comb Brown Leghorns
Wm. C. Wilson's Ontario Strain
First Prize Winners at Michigan State Fair, Detroit, and at Pontiac Poultry Show.
Eggs for Sale—\$2 for 15.

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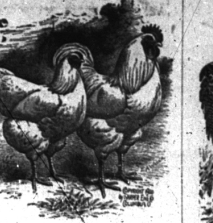
R. C. Rhode Island Reds
Evangeline Poultry Farm
Breeders of the Above
If you want prize-winning stock—strong, vigorous and standard-weight birds—we have them.

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My Birds took first prize at Detroit and Pontiac Shows.
Cockerels for sale.
Eggs for sale after May 1.
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White Plymouth Rocks
Best in the U. S.
Eggs \$2.00 Per 15

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Barred Plymouth Rocks
Price Takers
Big Birds, with the "Egg Cackle" attached every day.
Best strain at reasonable prices.
Eggs for sale.

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Village Farm
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THE P. I. SOLDIER

The American Soldier in the Philippines Tells All About Himself.

I am the great American Soldier. Yes Sir! I wear better clothes, and cleaner. Eat more show and softer. Snore louder and longer. Draw more pay and breath. Shoot straighter and further. Fight quicker and faster than any blame soldier on earth. Where I'm sent, I go. No matter who's in the way. So much the worse for him.
When I run up the old flag, She Stays put. Secure! And when there's a hard job anywhere, a dirty job, a nasty job, a job that Can't be done now, why then they Send for me—don't you see—and The thing's done.
For fighting through the brush, sleeping in mud, Marching all night, and day and night again, Crawling up scorching hills, lying in Fever swamps, standing target for the Moro, just Count on me! That's what I'm for. But you haven't heard my specialty yet. What's that?
Listen! I've done all them things what I said. But the thing I do best, brown, blue and red. Is to kick.
Do I kick? Well, some! A few! Rather!

And beside me there is none other when it comes to kicking.
The officers? Every time sir! The meanest, orneriest set of men that ever hid behind a firing line.
Commissary? Grandfather's pig-pen back on the Farm furnishes better fare than the rotten stuff of "Government Straight."
Issues khaki! Sir! You struck A sore spot! No self-respecting soldier would be found Dead in it. Or if he were, He'd rise and kick it down where the surgeons are hot.
And face the judgment in his under-clothes.
Drill! Now then, you've said it. Of all the Unmitigated, unmentionable, consensated, idiotic and Useless woes that vex the soul of a soldier saint, It's the beatnest.
Chow? Oh, Sir! So much and so greasy would be Angel food beside it. What the officers won't eat, They send to the horses, and what the horses leave, they Give to the Brownies.
An when they've picked it over, it's gathered up and Made into hash for the soldier.
"Nothing certain but death and taxes." So 'tis said.
But there's one thing more I know for sure, over here In the Philippines, and that is, if Ever this enlistment's out, it's My last. You can bank on that!
Five months—a four months—three months—two months— One month and a half! Two days and a breakfast. Then No more dog's life for me! No sir!

I'll be A free man once more, I'll look any mother's son in the face And tell him to go Back home where he belongs. I'll be free For twenty-four hours. Then I'll seek the sergeant and, if (no one's looking, 'twill be easier) Continued on eighth page.

Mister Brown Of Shopless Town



Behold a man of Shopless Town: His name is Obadiah Brown. He says the town does not improve. But runs along its ancient groove. He'd like to see it spread and grow, And yet he does not help, you know. Instead of buying things for sale Right here in town, he's sent by mail For many years and bought his things From those faroff Mail Order Kings. No wonder, Obadiah Brown, This home of yours is Shopless Town!

IS IMPORTANT LET HIM ALONE

Something of Interest to Telephone Subscribers—Party Line Courtesy.
To make party line service efficient, and to prevent annoyance to the subscribers on the same circuit, the following rules must be observed:
1. Answer only your own signal. If there is any confusion about the rings, report the fact promptly to the manager.
2. When you wish to call, remove the hand telephone and listen. If the line is in use, restore the telephone immediately and wait for the parties to finish.
3. Do not allow the children or others to listen on the line when it is in use, or to play with the telephone at any time.
4. Please remember that other subscribers on the line have equal rights with you, and that parties on the same telephone line should be as courteous to each other over the line as when they meet face to face.
Party line service is satisfactory when the above rules are observed.
Geo. H. Mitchell, Mgr.

A SUGGESTION

Retail Dealers of All Kinds of Goods Can Be Interested in the Following.

The following extract from the Stoves and Hardware Reporter, will apply to any goods that are sold by any stockholder in this town. It just proves from standard authority, what we have always advised our dealers to do,—go after business in just the same way the catalog houses do, by newspaper advertising, circulars, etc. We print 'em. Read the following and think it over.
For a long time past, from time to time the Stoves and Hardware Reporter has advocated the practice by retailer of getting to his customers or prospective customers by constant and persistent advertising, either through his local paper or by circulars, catalogs or letters. What better approval of these suggested methods could be found than the letter of D. B. Getz, reprinted herewith. Mr. Getz is a consumer, and as a consumer tells you. Mr. Dealers, to get after him and others by adopting the catalog house plan, sending out advertising literature. Mr. Getz's letter shows the tendency of the times. The consumer is beginning to find out who his friend is, who he can depend upon for right and just treatment, it only remains for the dealer to take advantage of the propitious time and get busy. Every dealer should have a mailing list of the people in his selling community. Compiling such a list is not a difficult matter. A suggestion for getting such a list would be to hire some responsible person with a horse and buggy and let him follow the rural free delivery routes, each one in turn, taking careful memoranda of their names. These names can be kept assorted according to their respective routes, each lot of mailing material could be tied into a bundle marked by its route number. This separation by route number is not necessary, but would help out the postoffice by saving the time of assorting, and would help the dealer by allowing his matter to be handled quickly, which case many times would save a day's time in reaching the consumer. This question of saving time may be one that does not appeal to the country retailer at first glance, but if he will consider the fact that the early bird usually gets the worm he will see the advantage of being in a position to get there quick.
R. F. D. 1, LAWTON, Okla., Mar. 26, 07.
EDITOR, Stoves and Hardware Reporter, St. Louis, Mo.
DEAR SIR—I am, and have been for three years, president of a Local Union of Farmers' Educational and Co-operative Union of America. Our principles are equity, justice and the golden rule.
We are trying to carry out these principles and how can we if we patronize the mail order houses? They do not buy our products and have no equity in our rights. So not only my local, but the County Union of which I am a member, ordered me to subscribe for the Stoves and Hardware Reporter in order to see what profit our hardware friends were making off us.
We are satisfied with their profit and declare it small enough, and have issued a decree prohibiting any member from patronizing the mail order houses in this line.
We, as a Union, advise our merchants to issue price lists at stated intervals and mail them out to the public and adopt the system of the mail order houses, and that way they will beat them at their own game.
You will please stop my paper, as it has served its purpose, and has given the mail order houses a black eye in this community.
Yours very respectfully,
D. B. GETZ.

COME, WAKE UP HUPP FARM

Don't You Know? Why Don't You Know?

That we sell Wall Paper Decorations at from 3c to \$2.50 per roll.
Bought direct from manufacturer, can discount any prices offered you on cheap or high art goods. We can sell you anything in the Wall Paper line and save you from 25 to 50 per cent.
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We are simply in it this year, with a full line of Gold Effects Ingrain, Burlaps, Tapestries; and can show you as fine a line as any Detroit house carries in cheap and high-art goods. We have the Novelties.

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Extraordinary Values

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