

portant in hot weather. All the feeders and drinking dishes should be cleaned daily and twice a week should be taken to the house and scalded.

The chicks should have beef scraps always before them and should be given green food of some kind daily, if confined.

It is well to spade up a portion of the yard each week. A little grain dug into the ground will encourage the birds to take exercise.

Begin getting rid of the old hens this month. Those which obviously are not laying and those which are persistently broody should go first.

JULY

Take extra precautions against lice this month. They multiply with amazing rapidity in hot weather and the hens are not in good condition to resist their attacks.

If the house is very hot, make an opening in the back just under the roof in order to have a cross current of air.

The old hens should be disposed of as fast as they stop laying. Feeding largely of corn will help to put them in good condition for market unless the weather is very hot.