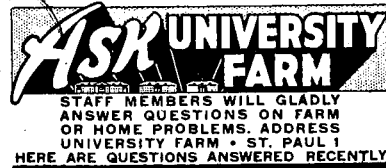


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Q. Do blood and meat spots make eggs inedible?
A. Small blood and meat spots do not make an egg inedible. You may prefer, however, to separate and remove the spot before cooking. Finding a small blood or meat spot does not mean eggs have not been candled. Candling methods on the whole are only 50 per cent efficient. Fresh eggs will have more undetected spots than older eggs. But if we want fresh eggs we will have to accept some eggs with these spots. -- Milo H. Swanson, assistant professor, poultry

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Q. What is Clintafe?
A. Clintafe oats are a backcross of Clinton with a variety called Santa Fe. They were developed through the co-operation of Iowa State College and the U. S. Department of Agriculture. Clintafe is resistant to crown rust. It is two days later and two inches taller than Clinton. Clintafe has excelled Clinton in yield at University Farm, Rosemount, Waseca, Morris and Duluth. The two varieties were about even at Grand Rapids and in S. W. Minnesota. At Crookston, Clinton had the advantage. Clintafe has a good test weight but is slightly lower than Clinton in that respect. The two are about the same in hull percentage and in standing ability. -- Carl Borgeson, associate professor, agronomy

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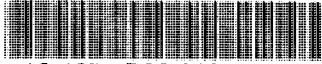
Q. What do you think about oven canning?
A. Canning in the oven is a dangerous practice. Jars may explode when food is being processed in the oven, often causing injury to people and damage to the range. Furthermore, the temperature of the food inside the jars doesn't get high enough in oven canning so that you can be sure bacteria is killed. -- Extension nutritionists.

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Q. Should you prune fruit trees in the summertime?
A. Summer pruning of fruit trees is beneficial. Cut off all sprouts from the base and along the trunk. Watersprouts, vigorous shoots that grow straight up, should also be removed. Letting these grow not only spoils the appearance of the tree but robs the rest of the tree of needed water and minerals. -- Extension horticulturists

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