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**NEW PROSPECT H. D. CLUB**

Simple Poultry Equipment, was the topic Miss Elliott discussed with the New Prospect H. D. Women at the home of Mrs. Joe Peters March 13.

Two 20 x 20 ft. shed-roof laying houses are recommended in order that the old hens and pullets can be kept separate. This helps to prevent the spreading of diseases. From three to four square feet of floor space should be allowed for each bird where the flock is kept under close confinement. From two and one-half to three square feet of floor space per bird is sufficient under average farm conditions, where chickens are not always in the house. The poultry house should be placed on land that is well drained. The house should be ventilated as to supply enough fresh air but not a draft and the house should face the south to permit the greatest possible amount of sunlight to enter. Dropping pits are rapidly replacing the old type roost because they aid in house sanitation. There should be one nest for every five hens. Proper feeding equipment and good clean water is also essential to poultry production.

The members present were. Mesdames Joe Peters, Henry and Charlie Siegmund, Linnie Nitzschke, Walter, Randolph and Lawrence Lehmann.