

of the wearer. The audience was called upon to criticize or approve and after a model was suitably dressed a prescription, as the club women called it, was given her, indicating the lines best suited to her and the colors she could wear best. On the prescription were pinned scraps of material showing the texture and colors selected. The great difficulty is in getting the time to serve all the eager models. These demonstrations are steadily increasing in the counties in which they have been started, and in the words of the Rowan county agent: "Our women and girls are beginning to realize that their former haphazard methods of buying and making clothes are not satisfactory."

New Hanover reports 650 dresses made by 100 women who also remodeled 150 garments. Reports from these women show a fair average of five dollars saved on a garment.

"The idea of making one's hats has spread faster than the whooping cough in this county," says the Northampton agent. "It is interesting to look around at county commencement and see the many home-made hats and note how favorably they compare with others."

Twenty five hundred and sixty six demonstrations in clothing were given by home demonstration agents.

HOUSEHOLD FURNISHINGS

Thirty counties report work in household furnishings. Five hundred and thirty nine club girls' rooms were improved and in 917 living-rooms the furniture was done over and artistically rearranged. The following description of a humble home in Franklin County will show some of the improvements made:

"It was our privilege to go through a four-room log house some time ago that showed every evidence of good taste and good housekeeping.

"The entire house was screened. Each floor was stained a soft brown and kept in good shape with a mop which the wife made. A little ochre had been added to the whitewash and instead of a glaring white the walls were cream. All the curtains were plain white scrim. In the sleeping rooms the furniture was enameled in white. In the living room there was one large soft brown rug on the floor. The mantel held a pretty plain clock and a vase or two. There were bright cretonne cushions on the chairs and window seat. A writing table and a built-in book case were made by the owner. There were a few potted plants and one or two pictures to brighten the room. One end of the kitchen which adjoined the living room was used for a dining room. A home-made table painted brown with cheap chairs stained to match were used here. The table cloth had been removed and a cream table runner with a stenciled border put in its place. A Christmas cactus in full bloom brightened the entire room. The serving table was made from an old wash-stand. This was used in carrying food from the work table. The kitchen was arranged for the convenience and comfort of the housewife. The stove had a large reservoir. A small galvanized sink, painted white by the man of the house, was installed under a window. The drain pipe from this ran under the ground into the garden. A large barrel outside the window furnished water to the sink. This barrel is filled each morning by one of the older boys, thereby saving hundreds of steps and strain on the mother. This simple water system cost \$7.50. The owner expects to install a pump later and send the water to the barrel by a hose.

"The home-made work table is on common bed rollers. This enables the owner to move it to suit her convenience. There are two built-in cabinets near the stove for china and cooking vessels. A low rocker, home-made

stool, and several shelves complete the furnishings in this convenient little kitchen. The entire furnishings for this home cost less than \$300. Yet it is a beautiful home with the true home spirit."

NO. IMPROVEMENTS REPORTED IN THE HOME

No. washing machines purchased.....	201
Water systems installed	243
Lighting systems installed	475
Heating systems	81
Kitchens screened	1313
No. kitchens rearranging equipment	827
Floors finished	1871
Walls finished	2027
No. houses screened	2839
Girls' rooms improved	538
Living rooms improved	917
Fireless cookers bought and made	617
Kitchen cabinets	219

THE HOME DAIRY

Twenty-six counties report 8,679 cows kept by demonstrators and club members with 296 of these purchased through the influence of the home agent.

No. lbs butter made	1,318,861
No. lbs. butter sold	572,532

The big work of the Home Demonstration Division will be found in the campaigns for the use of more milk and the demonstrations showing the value of milk in the diet.

POULTRY WORK

Poultry work has been carried on in 25 counties by the home demonstration agents in co-operation with Mr. A. G. Oliver, state poultry club specialist. Mr. Oliver visits these counties giving instructions to the club girls and boys and coaches the agent. She in turn sees that instructions are carried out and reports made. In some counties the farm agent takes charge of poultry work and in others home and farm agents do it jointly. At the State Fair five counties sent teams of boys and girls to judge exhibits and to give the reasons for certain decisions. It was one of the most popular features of the poultry department. The detailed report of poultry work will be found in the records sent out by Mr. A. G. Oliver, but the following figures are given here to show some of the results:

No. demonstrators purchasing standard bred eggs.....	1529
No. dozen standard eggs purchased.....	6001
No. demonstrators using incubators	239
No. demonstrators purchasing baby chicks.....	267
No. demonstrators using brooders	332
No. demonstrators purchasing standard bred breeding stock	629
No. standard bred chickens purchased.....	2112
No. poultry houses built	231
No. poultry houses remodeled	175
No. flocks culled	658
Total No. in flocks	51,827
Total egg production (11 counties reporting).....	368,366 doz.
No. egg circles	81
Total No. standard bred chickens raised	45,922

The experience of a Stanly County club girl who was not satisfied with the common run of chickens is interesting: