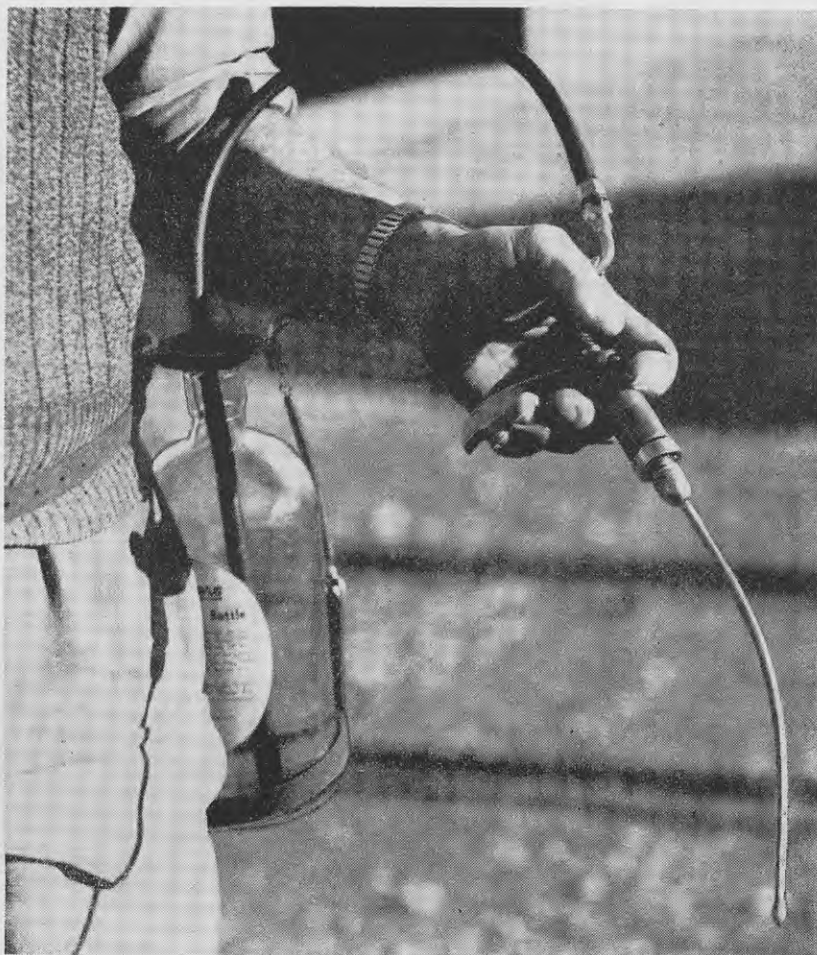


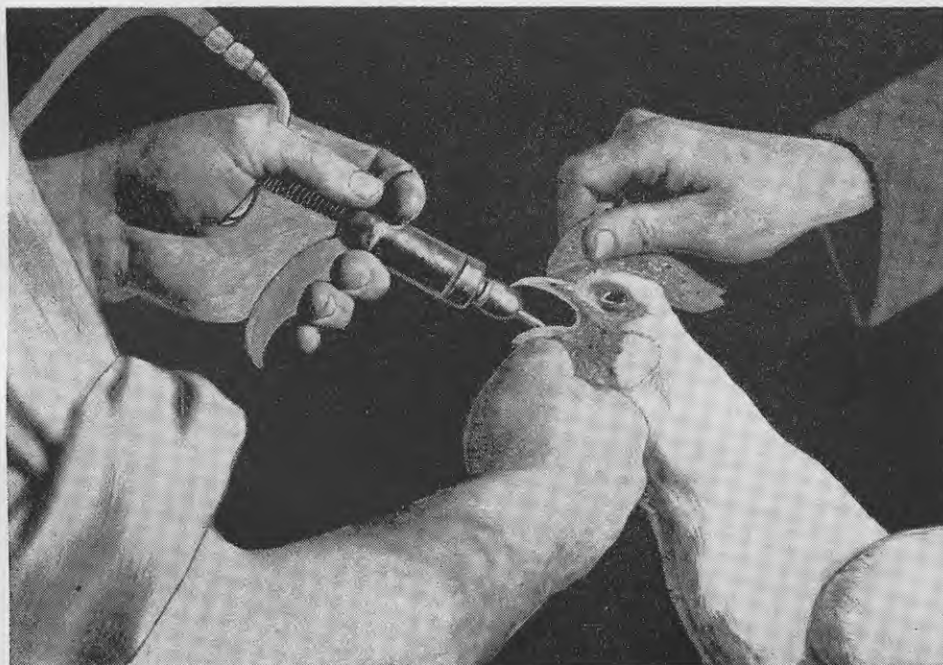
Parasitic Worms in Poultry

THOUGH most poultry producers are aware that poultry suffer from parasitic worms, not all appreciate how much harm these parasites can cause. Some become careless of the need to keep worms under constant control. This article by the Animal Industry Division, Department of Agriculture, sets out practical points which should be known by all poultry producers.



▲ Drenching gun suitable for use with carbon tetrachloride. The container is strapped to the operator.

← A bird being dosed for round worms. Its head is held by an assistant.



UNTIL birds are heavily infested they show few symptoms of a worm burden. Worms rarely cause severe mortality in poultry. Thus birds may be even moderately infested without the owner's knowledge and it is not until numbers have built up and damage has been done that trouble is suspected.

Worms may be the cause when young birds fail to thrive, in particular when they appear anaemic with pale faces, or when feather condition deteriorates, appearing dull or lacking