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THE "GREEN BUG" QUESTION

Professor Bruner, of the Department of Entomology, Writes the Journal in Reference to Matter.

THE GREEN BUG A SOUTHERN INSECT

And Reaches Nebraska Only in Limited Numbers and Do Very Little Harm.

Professor Lawrence Bruner, acting state entomologist, writes the Journal in reference to an article which appeared in a former issue of this paper regarding the "green bug." Of course the editor of the Journal is not posted on such matters, and therefore gladly give way to the professor to explain the much discussed pest, which he does as follows:

THE UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA
Lincoln, June 3, 1907.
Editor of Plattsmouth Journal:

My Dear Sir:—My attention has just been called to a little squib in your paper concerning "green bugs" and the red ladybird which I believe is merely intended as a joke. Of course everybody who has paid the least attention to insect habits knows that the "green bug" is an aphid or plant louse, and that the parents of aphids or plant lice must be other insects of the same kind. On the other hand the ladybirds are parents to the same kind of insects as themselves. The true relationship that exists between ladybirds and aphids is that the ladybirds devour the aphids, hence they are beneficial.

"Green bug" is the popular name given to the Spring Grain-aphis which is a southern insect and reaches Nebraska only in limited numbers. Our grain plant-lice in Nebraska belong to several other species and very seldom do sufficient harm to warrant worrying on the part of the grain grower. The various plant lice are usually held in check by a number of predacious and parasitic insects, among which the ladybirds are quite conspicuous.

Yours very truly,
LAWRENCE BRUNER.

Election of Officers.

The Epworth League of the Methodist church met at the home of Miss Ella Kennedy Monday evening to elect officers for the ensuing year. After the election of officers, light refreshments were served by the young men in honor of the old officers. Everybody enjoyed the feast prepared by the hosts. Also the solo by Don York. The new officers are as follows:

President—Miss Mable Freese.
First vice-president—Nellie Whalen
Second vice-president—Etha Crabill.
Third vice-president—Mable Truesler.
Fourth vice-president—Margaret Maury.
Secretary—Don York.
Treasurer—Charles Carlson.
Organist—Miss Alvina Hoffman.
Assistant organist—Mrs. Charles L. Freese.

To Be Married June 19th.

Invitations have been received in this city by the numerous friends of Miss Ida Pearlman, announcing her marriage to Mr. Julius Kendis, on Wednesday, June 19, 1907, at the home of the Pearlman in Omaha. Miss Ida was born and reared to womanhood in Plattsmouth, where she was a great favorite among all who knew her kindly disposition, charming appearance, which together with her many other excellent qualities make her one of the handsomest little ladies in the state of Nebraska. The Journal extends congratulations to the lucky groom in advance upon his securing one of the finest young ladies in Nebraska.

Will Be Operated on Today.

Miss Anna Johnson who has been in Omaha at the Batavia hospital where she has been for some three months, receiving medical treatment for appendicitis. Miss Anna has objected heretofore to having an operation performed, thinking that she could receive the wished for relief through medical treatment. She has been troubled with this affection since the beginning of the year. The other day she consented to take the operation and her parents Gus. Johnson and wife went up this morning to be with their daughter during the time. We hope the operation may be successful and she be restored to health.

Another Bargain Day.

Glenwood, Iowa, will have another Bargain Day next Saturday. We heard of this fact through a couple of Cass county farmers who stated that they were going over. Now, if our farmers take such an interest in the Glenwood Bargain Days, would they not take a great deal more interest in Bargain Days at home? Here is a pointer for Plattsmouth business men. If farmers can do better away from home than they can at home, its a cinch they are going to avail themselves of the opportunity.

VERY EXCELLENT EXHIBITION

A Large Audience Attend an Entertainment of Exceptional Merit.

The class in elocution which Miss Lillian Fitch of Omaha has been instructing for some time past, gave a free entertainment Friday in the Methodist church, to a large and appreciative audience.

In the entertainment the class was assisted by a portion of Miss Allen's class in music from Omaha. To those who had no knowledge of the success with which Miss Fitch had met in her teaching in this city, were greatly surprised at the talent that has been developed among many of the class here. Miss Bernice Newell, who had only taken a half term with Miss Fitch, surprised all who heard her, at the proficiency she has attained in elocutionary speaking. Miss Helen Clark's speaking was of exceptionally good rendition, she assuming the role of "a suburbanite," and kept the audience in an uproar all the time.

When Johnnie Falter recited "Knee Deep in June" one almost wanted to go out and roam the orchard through, and wallow in the grass and the apple blossoms.

Miss Vasta Douglas and Anna Snyder were, in their rendition of the parts they represented, excellent, and merited and received much applause. Misses Marie Douglas, Mildred Cummins and Ellen Windham had parts distinctly different from all the rest, and were very difficult of rendition, but the way in which they handled their subjects demonstrated beyond a shadow of a doubt their ability. Benjie Windham, in "That Little Dog" brought down the house and he was called back four times, and from the way the audience greeted his work, nothing more need be said of it.

Miss Josephine Hall, was the last number on the program, and proved by handling of her part "At Yale" there was merit to the very last, and when she had finished the audience were loth to go. Taking it all in all, it was an entertainment "that was well worth a dollar of any one's money," says J. P. Falter. It was a demonstration of the peculiar worth of instruction, by the absence, of any affection, and the entirely natural way in which all the parts were given, is the verdict of Supt. E. L. Rouse, who well knows the value of good instruction.

Will Make Improvements.

John Bauer's hardware company are making some extensive improvements in their store and shelvings. The shelvings on the west side of the room are what was installed in the starting of the drug store what was in the building some time since, and are not such as to make the display good for hardware or convenient for the caring of the business. The old shelving will be replaced by new, and a traveling ladder running the whole length of the room installed. These improvements together with other alterations will make their room more modern and convenient.

Mercy Meeting.

The mercy meeting held at the Masonic Home Monday afternoon, under the auspices of the W. C. T. U., was well attended. A very interesting and instructive program was given of music, speeches, recitations and readings. Miss Vernon Madeline Story, of Red Cloud, a guest at the Wescott home, played a very sweet piano solo. After the program there was a short business session.

The intention of such meetings is to educate against cruelty to animals and inculcate that noble virtue of universal love and realize that "a touch of nature makes us all akin."

Has Painful Accident.

Mrs George W. Thomas, while sewing Monday, had the misfortune to in some way, run a needle entirely through her thumb. It required a very hard pull in order to extricate the needle, and has left a very sore finger. Mrs. Thomas will be kept from sewing by this accident for some time.

PASSENGER WRECK AT ALVO

The Engine Turned Over, and the Engineer Severely Scalded from Escaping Steam.

A special from Alvo, under date of Sunday, June 2, gives the following particulars of a serious wreck that occurred near that place early Sunday morning: Rock Island passenger train No. 68 was wrecked between Prairie Home and Alvo about 9 o'clock this morning while running at a high rate of speed. Engineer Gus Bitzer was badly scalded and was hurt about the back. His legs were cooked by escaping steam. While his condition is said not to be serious his injuries are severe and very painful. Fireman B. F. Clark was bruised about the limbs, and A. M. Waring, a passenger on the way to Omaha, was cut about the head with broken glass.

The train was running at a high rate of speed through a cut when the trucks of the tender behind the engine jumped the rails. This derailed the engine ahead and the cars behind. The train bumped along over the ties for about two hundred feet or more, and then the engine left the grade and rolled over in the ditch. The engine men had no opportunity to get out until it had stopped rolling. The engine cleared the cut by the time it left the grade, but the two passenger coaches attached fell over against the bank. Trainmen said the cab of the engine was crushed and how the engine men got out alive was a mystery to them.

A number of passengers received slight bruises and were thrown about the cars when they left the rails. This is one of the fastest trains on the road, but it carries two cars only, a combination baggage and smoker and a coach.

Much Water in River.

The June flood in the Missouri river is beginning to make quite a show. The land on the bottoms just in front of the Burlington depot, where Denson & Renner were pasturing their cattle, is mostly under water, and the little that remains is slowly vanishing from view.

The lands of Ed. Fitzgerald, above the pumping station of the water company, is also nearly submerged, and they had to remove their cattle to higher ground.

Wreck Near Eagle.

A special from eagle, under date of Sunday, gives the following particulars of a wreck near that place last Saturday "The Missouri Pacific local freight from Weeping Water went through a bridge four miles east of this place yesterday morning, and thirteen loaded freight cars dropped into the creek. Trains were tied up on this branch all day. Passengers from the afternoon train from Lincoln were transferred to another train from the east by means of a temporary foot bridge thrown across the creek. No injuries to passengers or train crew resulted from this accident. The bridge was said to be too weak to carry the heavy loaded cars. The engine passed over before the bridge collapsed. The wreckage has not at all been removed.

Give a Farewell Reception.

A number of friends of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Sanders, who live on Wintersteen Hill, met at his house Sunday night and agreeably surprised them, it being just prior to the departure of Mr. Sanders and wife for Silvana, Washington, where they expect to make their future home. Social conversation and a general good time was had, and at the departure of the guests all wished Mr. Sanders and wife a pleasant journey and prosperity when they should arrive at their destination. Among those that were present were: H. M. Soenichsen, Peter Goos, Wm. Otterstein and wife, Peter Madsen, George Tamms and wife, Fred Sans, Albert Rochley, Wm. Wahlforth and wife, John Wichman, Gus Batmeister and wife, Adolf Wesch, Chas. Ho-packer, Herman Wisch, Fred Ott and Louis Dose and wife.

Board of Education Meets.

At the meeting of the board of education last night, the resignation of Misses Towle, Graves and Kennedy were presented and accepted.

Misses Towle and Graves both have positions paying them better salaries offered them, and upon the acceptance of their resignations by the board will accept the advanced positions.

The board has elected to take the positions made vacant by such resignations, Misses Josephine Yellenek, Gertrude Stenner and Margaret Weber.

"LIFE'S CALL TO SERVICE"

Commencement Sermon at the Methodist Church, Sunday Evening, June 2nd, A. D. 1907.

MUSICAL PROGRAM WELL RENDERED

The Sermon of Rev. J. H. Salisbury One of the Finest and Most Interesting Ever Delivered in Plattsmouth.

To a house full of good natured people crowded into the Methodist church in such a way that it looked like there was no room to spare, the class of 1907 and the large audience, listened to the program for the evening, upon which every number was good.

The opening number, a chorus, "Call to Worship," as sung by the choir was inspiring indeed, as not only its melodious strains filled the whole church, but could be heard for blocks away as the evening was calm. Then all listened to a prayer by Rev. Houkate, in which he invoked the blessing and guidance of the Father of All on the class and all present, followed by a chant of the Lord's prayer by the choir, then a solo, "Teach us Thy Way, O Lord," by Mrs. E. H. Wescott. After which Rev. A. L. Zink, pastor of the Christian church, read for the evening lesson the First chapter of James, followed by hymn No. 148 sang by the entire congregation led by the choir. This was followed by a solo, "Rest in the Lord," by Miss Lucile Bates, which, while not so loud, was so distinct that all could hear every word uttered.

Rev. Salisbury's Address.

Then came the address by Rev. Salisbury, his subject being "Life's Call to Service," taking his thought from the 22nd verse of the lesson read, the First chapter of James: "Be Ye Doers of the Word and Not Hearers Only." In part, Rev. Salisbury said: "I consider it a great honor to be asked to deliver this address, because I deem this a more important occasion than where we listen to some imported speaker, the chancellor of the university, or some one else who has not had the close personal intimacy with you which it has been my pleasure to have. I have met some of you on the base ball grounds; some of you on the streets, and many of you in your homes, and also in my home. I am therefore much interested in your future welfare, and if I can say anything that may be the cause of any one of you, or any of the audience, making that success in life that you yourself would desire to make, I shall not thus labor in vain. Man is obstinate and lazy. Man is the only creature who will fly in the face of his natural endowments.

Brutes find out where their talents lie: A bear will not attempt to fly: A fowled horse will oft debate Before he tries a five-barred gate. A dog by instinct turns aside, Who sees the ditch too deep and wide. But man we find the only creature, Who led by folly combats nature, Who when she cries—'forbear!' With obstinacy fixes there: And where his genius least inclines Absurdly bends his whole design.—SWIFT.

"I want to say to you all, right now, that when anyone wishes for someone to accomplish a special task, the selection is always made from the busy workers, for you know the devil loves a lazy man. 'Life's Call to Service.' I shall divide for discussion into four parts, first, something to know, second something to do, third, something to be, and fourth, something to bequeath. Under the first of these, something to know, you must know when an opportunity comes that you may take advantage of it, else it is gone and no one can overtake an opportunity that is gone by. Columbus thought, and from his continual study, and things that he observed knew that there was another continent, from the bits of foreign wood that floated to the shores of Spain, and following up the knowledge, he afforded us an opportunity to have the land in which we dwell today. With many other illustrations he showed how important it was to know, and also how to know that we might take advantage of that knowledge.

"Under the second, something to do, is even of more importance than the first for what ever the knowledge may be, if we do not use it we have accomplished nothing. We must do what we are expected to do and do it well, do it the best it can be done. Your doings must be of such a character that those who know you will place implicit trust in you, knowing what you do will be done well. Not like the soldier which I was reading of, who, when his general had delivered into his keeping a very noted prisoner, saying that in the possession of this man is the whole field of battle and all of

its strategic points, and if he should escape the battle will go against us. Now upon the safe keeping of this man depends your life. The general departed, and the man in charge of the prisoner, secured his feet and hand cuffed him, and sat down to watch him, but growing weary of that stepped to the door of the tent, and thinking that the prisoner was safe, went outside, strolled up and down in front of the tent for a while and finally leaning his arms against the tent, sat down in the sun and in a few moments was asleep. A wakening he found the prisoner escaping.

"It was then too late; he tried to over take him but could not. His general returning just then, he had to acknowledge that he had not done his duty. The consequences were the day was lost and this man's life, who neglected his duty, also. "Life may represent many things, and it does, but you must make it represent conquest; you must make it for ourselves one of victory. There will come in the life which is before you, scorned, hated, unkind words, but you will know when they do come, that you are stirring the enemy to the principles that you espouse, but do not let this discourage you; know you are right and then stick to it.

"In all your doing let it be with intelligence, and with a purpose, and that purpose the betterment of the world in which you live, for yourself and all with whom you mingle. Like the watchmaker, who sold a watch to a sailor—always make good. A sailor wanted a watch that he could depend on. The five minutes in seven years that he would return his money, well knowing what work he had put on it and what it was worth. The sailor took the watch and went to sea, and at the end of seven years returned the watch which had changed just five minutes and the watchmaker took it back, as he had promised. But the amount was so small that he kept it and used it as a regulator. This was work well done. As another illustration, Andrew Johnson, when president, was making a speech, when some one called out from the audience, asking "was not you a tailor?" Mr. Johnson stepped to the edge of the platform and said, "Yes, sir, I made clothes that fit."

"You must be something, as well as do something, what is in you and what you bring out through the trials, the privations, the efforts, the adversity and the prosperity is what you are. It is what you are, not what position that you occupy that counts. Be cheerful, do not get discouraged, under all circumstances see and make the best of the things that surround you. And, lastly, let your life be that, when it is past, you will have bequeathed to the age to come, a good name, and the good that must follow efforts well directed. Let those who live after you bless the mother who bore you and reared you for the good you have done for the race. This will be a sufficient reward for a well spent life."

After the sermon, singing by the chorus and congregation and benediction by Rev. Zink, the audience wended their way homeward, feeling no doubt that they had been well paid for their attendance.

Bury the Father.

Sunday witnessed the burial of the fourth of the family of Peter Petersen, he being the last. A large crowd, of the friends and relatives gathered to pay their last respect, to the life of their friend, Peter Petersen. Rev. J. C. Swanson, of Wahoo, delivered the address, and told of how long he had lived in this city, and of what he had done to help make Plattsmouth the city it is. Mr. Petersen came to Plattsmouth about thirty nine years ago, and here he reared a large family. Mrs. W. L. Browne, who preceded her father to the other world by about two months, and Mrs. Christensen, Mrs. Frank Smith of Portland, Oregon, Edwin Petersen, and Lillian Petersen, also of Portland. There were many and beautiful floral offerings, flowers of all kinds in profusion, tokens of the love and esteem in which Mr. Petersen was held.

Those from out of town who attended the funeral were Nels Hawkinson, and daughter Anna of Havelock, Mrs. Christ Christensen of Deadwood South Dakota, George P. Browne and Misses Matilda and Elizabeth Browne of Lincoln, Chas. Bong and wife of Havelock, Miss Eva and Albert Johnson of Omaha, and Rev. J. C. Swanson, of Wahoo.

Real Estate Transfers.

Thos. G. Sander to Dora Hesse, west 1/2 lot 8 and 9, block 72, city. Consideration, \$650. J. K. Wilson to W. R. Wain, south 1/2 lots 1 and 2, block 56, Consideration \$800. J. H. Stohman to H. S. Cugh, lot 8, block 2, Alvo. Consideration \$3.

Woodmen of the World Unvail.

Evergreen Camp No. 70, Woodmen of the World, met at their hall Sunday at 1 o'clock, and with the visiting members from Pacific Junction, and South Omaha, marched to the cemetery, preceded by the City Band, to unveil the monuments of Brothers Antone Bookmeyer and Lyman Kildow, which have recently been erected.

There were about two hundred in the procession, with a large number of carriages following, which made a very imposing array. At the cemetery the unveiling ceremonies were conducted by the camp officers, and the master of ceremonies, Hon. R. E. Windham, and were conducted as per their ritual, and was very beautiful, the sentiment being noble and inspiring. The ceremonies were used at the grave of the late Brother Antone Bookmeyer and at the grave of the late Brother Lyman Kildow an address was given by Hon. Jesse Root, who in a very eloquent speech told of the life of the two brothers in whose honor the monuments were erected, and the intent and purposes of the order, and the enduring way the order had of keeping alive the memory of a departed brother.

The mixed Quartette furnished music, rendering two numbers at the grave of each Antone Bookmeyer and Lyman Kildow, which were very appropriate and beautiful. Mrs. Gamble, taking the soprano, Miss Estelle Baird the contralto R. W. White the tenor and B. A. McElwain the bass.

E. K. Parmele at Rest.

Last Saturday at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, a large number of the relatives and friends of E. K. Parmele, assembled at his late residence to show honor to the life which they are glad to remember. The house and lawn was filled with those who were glad to be counted among his friends.

Rev. J. T. Baird, assisted by other ministers, conducted the funeral, recounting the many excellent qualities of character of the deceased, also consoling the friends with the assurance of a meeting in that other world, where sickness, sorrow, pain and death never come.

At the cemetery, Rev. Baird read the beautiful burial ceremony of the Presbyterian church, also offering prayer for all the sorrowing friends.

Card of Thanks.

To our many friends who so kindly expressed their friendship and sympathy during the illness and death of our husband, father and grandfather, and the many beautiful floral offerings received, we extend to you all our warmest remembrance and most sincere thanks.

MRS. E. K. PARMELE,
MR. AND MRS. Q. K. PARMELE,
AND CHILDREN.

Injured at the Shops.

M. L. Bogel who boards at the Perkins House, and is employed in the freight repairing department of the Burlington shops, was the victim of a very severe accident last evening. While at work last evening. A fellow workman threw a plank from the top of a box car striking Mr. Bogel on the forehead inflicting a very severe scalp wound, extending nearly across his head and rendering him unconscious for quite a length of time. Dr. Livingston, the company surgeon, dressed the wound and he was resting nicely this morning, but it will be some time before he can make box cars again.

Heap Much Pow-Wow.

The redskins eat much venison in Omaha last night. An even half dozen of the Missouri Tribe of Red Men, struck the trail for the place where the O-ma-ha's were wont to congregate, and there feasted to their fill on the dainties furnished by the tribe. The dusky sons of the forest, still talked much and eat more bear meat, long after the big star went down behind the trees and the moon came up. Each indian had to let go wampum to the amount of two bits for what he could eat. Those who were present from this camping place were J. C. York, John Nemetz, Tim Kahodacek, Ben Rainey, John McNurlin, and Harry Krager.

More Improvements.

Wm. Schmidtman, the popular harness maker, is going to have his business place improved. The front of the store is to be repainted and otherwise improved. "Billy" has a very fine place of business and knows that it pays to keep things looking the best. O. G. Hale and his brother will do the work.