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The Japanese Beetle Battle Begins

Determined War Being Waged Against Spread Of The Destructive Pest

The Japanese beetle is making its appearance in increasing numbers in almost every section of our county, and Federal, State and County authorities are making a determined fight to check the spread of the pest that does such wide-spread damage.

County Agent, J. Z. Miller announces that traps are now available for farmers and residents in all sections of the county. Funds were provided by the authorities to pay a large part of the cost of the traps, and they are being distributed from Elkton, Cecilton and Rising Sun. Last year more damage was done by the pests than any time previous. Not only did they attack flowers, evergreens and various kinds of fruit trees, doing great damage, but also inflicted severe damage to growing corn. It is estimated that thousands of bushels of corn was ruined or greatly damaged.

Farmers and property owners who found a few bettles around last year or who have observed some already this season are urged to obtain as many traps as they can tend satisfactorily. The support of everyone in the county is needed to check the ravages of this pests reports the county agent.

Increasing numbers of beetles will continue to emerge from their winter habitat for the next week or ten days and will probably reach their peak of activity around July 23.

Avoid Leaflets Three

"Use your eyes when you go through the woods. You can recognize poison ivy by the way its leaves are divided into threes. If you see "leaflets three; let them be," sums up the answer and advice of Dr. R. H. Riley, Director of the Maryland State Department of Health to a question as to how to avoid the danger of skin poisoning—dermatis—from contact with poison ivy.

"In this part of the world, poison ivy is a very persistent pest." Dr. Riley continued. "You will find the vine festooned over fences and fence posts, growing over walls, climbing up and over tree trunks, scrambling along the ground or attaching itself to undergrowth. It is a determined and very luxuriant grower. You can't miss it. But avoid touching it. You can usually distinguish it from other vines by its three leaflets. It is often entangled with Virginia creeper or woodbine. But the Virginia creeper has five leaflets—not three—and is harmless.

"The skin poisoning caused by poison ivy and by other members of the same plant family, is due to an irritating, resinous substance in the sap of the plants. Anybody who has ever suffered an attack of poisoning from poison ivy has every reason for remembering to keep hands off of it. The slightest brushing of the leaves or handling of the plants will release the poisonous sap. It is deposited on anything that touches it, not only on the hands and face, but on clothing, shoes, tools, garden implements, golf clubs, golf balls, and the fur of animals. The poison may even be carried long distances in the smoke from burning leaves or stems or roots of the plants in camp fires and in brush fires.

"The best way to protect yourself against poison ivy dermatitis is to avoid touching the plants. If you happen to come in contact with poison ivy, the first thing to do is to lather the hands and other affected parts, thoroughly, with suds from a good alkaline soap—strong, yellow kitchen soap—rinsing frequently in clear water. The abundant soapy lather will help to dissolve the oily sap, which is not affected by water, alone. But be very careful in rinsing not to spread the irritating poison.

"The poison retains its strength for a long time on objects that have come in contact with it—even lasting from one season to another. Clothing or tools or other objects that have been contaminated by the sap or juices from the plants should be thoroughly scrubbed with soap suds before they are put away.

"Constitutional disturbances, fever, digestive and kidney complications may occur in connection with the skin poisoning produced by poison ivy and other members of that plant family. Accordingly, as soon as any signs of the poisoning occur, consult your family doctor. He will give you detailed directions as to what you should do."

The capable need only a chance. The mistake of uplifters is the theory that a chance will make the dumb and helpless capable.

Briefly Noted News

Mrs. Arthur Kennedy suffered a fractured arm by a fall at her home in Calvert.

Happy Valley Camp, near Port Deposit, was opened July 1st by Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher Williams.

The Daily Vacation Bible School held their closing exercises in the M. E. Church on Sunday evening.

The Havre de Grace Dollar Day Committee has selected Friday and Saturday, August 4 and 5, as the dates.

E. Wilmer Jackson, of Aikin, was seriously injured by being kicked by a horse that he was about to harness.

The committee in charge of a tag day for the benefit of the Water Witch Fire Company of Port Deposit, reports $254.50 collected.

The County Commissioners have awarded Dinsmore Bros., of Rising Sun, the contract to funish oil for heating purposes at the Court House.

Suit has been filed by Dr. Guy H. Dennis in Harford County Court, for divorce from his wife, Mrs. Marie Dennis, on grounds of five years voluntary separation.

Miles Spinney has been appointed superintendent on the new Susquehanna bridge. He held a similar position at Conowingo during the construction of the dam.

C. E. Marker, of this town, has been appointed Trial Magistrate for Cecil County by Gov. O'Conor, and received notification of his selection for the new office on Monday.

Ground has been broken in Cecilton and work started on the new library building. It is being erected by Mr. and Mrs. G. K. Bailey, in memory of his mother, Mrs. Sara Bailey.

On July 1, Quarryville, Pa., Post Office advanced from third to a second class office, and the rules governing this grade of office will be observed in closing on holidays and Saturday afternoons.

Suit has been filed in the Circuit Court at Bel Air by Wm. P. Bedsaul for injuries received in an automobile accident in May of last year. The suit is against John N. Murphy for $2,500 damages.

James N. Mackinson, Jr., an 11 year-old lad who was assisting his father haul in hay Saturday on their farm just above Delta, Pa., was fatally injured by a runaway team after the load of hay slipped.

The members of Port Deposit Presbyterian church have purchased the residence of the late Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Acker, in that town for a manse for the newly installed minister, Rev. Kenneth Walters.

The car of Mrs. R. R. Boyd got out of control in the village of Zion, as she was endeavoring to avoid a passing car, and crashed into the Touchton store, striking a concrete chimney, which collapsed, but fortunately did not fall on the car or occupant.

A number of our residents witnessed the Shiner parades in Baltimore, on Tuesday and Wednesday of last week, and pageant at the stadium Thursday night, which was staged in all its glamor, despite the downpour of rain that swept the held during almost the entire time the spectacle was being presented.

Bowling Alley Awards

The singles touurnament at the Community Alleys at Elkton, on Saturday night, went to Francis Kennard, of Rising Suun, with a season average of 149 pins who walked away with the point honors and the six dollars first prize. Second money, four dollars, went to Mrs. Balding, a member of the Rising Sun Teachers in the female league. Jack Ward, State Roads captain, took the two dollar third prize.

A special added prize, two steak dinners offered by the West End Diner, was taken by William Marquess with the high score of the night in a single game. Marquess rolled 223.

New Marriage Law Slows Up Licenses

Since the enactment of Maryland's 48-hour marriage law, the issuing of licenses at Elkton has been slowed up. During the month of June 377 couples applied for licenses.

This total was less than a third the 1,266 licenses issued at Elkton last June when the marriage mill was working a twenty-four-hour shift, but was a marked improvement over the 208 couples who braved the strictures of the forty-eight-hour license law in January. The monthly tally was 231 in February; March, 247; April, 307; May, 346.

Pioneer Intermediate Camp Closes

The Methodist Pioneer Camp, conducted at Camp Horseshoe northwest of Rising Sun, under direction of Rev. Joseph B. Dickerson, for me week, closed on Saturday. There were 105 young people in attendance at the camp, and a faculty of religious educators and leaders, with a daily program of summer sports, music, games, first aid, handicraft nature study and religious instruction.

Regarded as one of the most successful character-building efforts conducted in recent years on the Eastern Shore the camp had the following faculty: The Rev. J. Harry Wright, Wilmington; the Rev. D'Arcy Littleton, the Rev. and Mrs. J. B. Vaughn, the Rev. Dr. E. C. Hallman, the Rev. L. Tawes, the Rev. Walter H. Stone, Wilmington; Mrs. R. C. Dodson, Mrs. Otis McCauley, Miss Lucille Bailey, Miss Bayes McCauley, Charles Showard and Miss Gertrude Buck.

Daily features of the camp were one hour swimming periods in the morning and afternoon in the new $30,000 swimming pool, and boating on the Octoraro.

Governor In California Broadcast

Annapolis, June 30—Governor Herbert R. O'Conor will be one of five noted authorities on Crime Prevention who will participate in a national broadcast on the subject of 'Crime Control', from San Francisco, California, Friday, July 7, as the highlight of 'Interstate Commission on Crime'.

Session of the Interstate Commission on Crime, which organization Governor O'Conor helped to found, at a meeting in Trenton, N. J., on October 12, 1935, are scheduled for July 6 to 8 for the California city, immediately preceding the annual gathering of the American Bar Association there. Since inception, both as Attorney General and Governor, Mr. O'Conor has been most active in the work of the commission.

Speaking over the air with Governor O'Conor will be Governor Culbert L. Olson, of California; William J. Quinn, Chief of Police of San Francisco; Warden Johnston, of Alcatraz Federal Prison; and Richard Hartshorne, of Newark, President of the Interstate Commission on Crime. The discussion will be broadcast from 7:30 to 8 P. M., California time.

Governor O'Conor also has accepted the chairmanship of the Nominating Committee of the Commission, to suggest candidates for officers for the coming year. On this committee with him will be Judge Gaston L. Porterie, of Louisiana; Att. Gen. Franz U. Burkett, of Maine; Atty. Gen. Gray Mashurn, of Nevada; and W. L. Gosslin, Interstate Compact Administrator of Oregon.

Operetta And Fountains At Longwood Gardens

Victor Herbert's greatest operetta, "Naughty Marietta," a delightful blend of popular music, romance and drama, forms The Brandywiners' eighth annual charity production at Longwood Gardens, with Fountians display, near Kennett Square, Pa., on the evenings of July 27th, 28th and 29th.

The chorus of one hundred Wilmington singers, in colorful costumes and elaborate staging, will again be directed by W. W. Laird, Jr., and Frederick W. Wyatt.

Such song favorites as "Ah, Sweet Mystery of Life," "I'm Falling In Love With Some-One," "Tramp, Tramp, Tramp," and "The Italian Street Song"—that always charm audiences in operatic halls, are to be heard in new beauty and understanding amid the natural enchantment that permeates the outdoor stage on the P. S. duPont country estate.

Thousands recall The Brandywiners in their previous Longwood operettas of Pirates of Penzance, Iolanthe, The Gondoliers, Princess Ida, Pinafore, and The Mikado, by Gilbert and Sullivan, and Merrie England.

All seats are reserved, $1.50 and $1. Mail orders now received—for tickets or a free booklet, address: The Brandywiners, Green Lantern Studio, 220 West Ninth Street, Wilington, Del.

Held Under Bail

Charged with manufacturing illegal liquor, Charles Fritz and Jesse Dennison, both of North East, arrested by federal officers, were given a hearing before Commissioner J. D. Cullen, in Baltimore, and held under $1500 bail each for action of the federal grand jury.

Wedding Bells Ring For Happy Couples

Taylor--Bohakevski

The wedding of Miss Evelyn L. Taylor, daughter of Mrs. William Jones, of Wilmington, and Mr. Stephen Bohackevski, of Elkton, took place at 7 o'clock Saturday night in the Cathedral Church of St. John, Wilmington.

The bride was given in marriage by her brother, Mr. Arthur Taylor. Mrs. Paul Detwiler was matron of honor. Mrs. Wayne Benner, sister of the bride, and Miss Irene Stemple, sister of the bridegroom, were bridesmaids. Mr. Daniel Bohackevski, brother of the bridegroom, was best man, and Mr. Paul Detwiler and Mr. William Taylor, brother of the bride, were ushers.

Clayton--Lupfer

Miss Grace Harriett Clayton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Clayton of Elkton and Mr. Charles N. Lupfer of Chesapeake City were married by Rev. Melvin E. Wheatley at the groom's home on Mackall Street, Elkton, Wednesday afternoon June 28.

Mr. and Mrs. Lupfer were attended by Miss Margaret Brickley of Greenhurst, Md., and Mrs. Robert McVey of Elkton.

After a wedding trip to Atlantic City, N. J., they will reside at their home on Mackall Street, Elkton.

Windish--Price

In St. Thomas' R. C. Church, Wilmington, at 11 o'clock Saturday morning, Miss Ellen Veronica Windish, dauughter of Mr. and Mr. Howard J. Windish, 529 North DuPont Street, and Mr. Robert Price, son of Mr. and Mrs. Whestley H. Price of Elk Mills, were married by the Rev. Micheal J. Jordan.

The bride was attended by her sister, Miss Margaret M. Windish. Mr. Howard J. Windish, Jr., her brother, was best man.

The bride wore rose lace with white accessories and corsage of gardenias and lilies of the valley.

The maid of honor wore blue lace with white accessories and a corsage of pink roses, blue delphinium and baby's breath.

On their return from a wedding trip to the World's Fair in New York and the New England States, Mr. and Mrs. Price will live at Elk Mills.

Carver--Lundell

Announcement is made of the wedding of Miss Ann Elizabeth Carver, daughter of Mrs. Elizabeth Wright Carver of Perryville, and Mr. Ernest Drake Lundell, son of Dr. and Mrs. Gustav Lundell of Chevy Chase, Md. The wedding took place on June 24 in the Presbyterian Church at Perryville. The Rev. R. H. Hoover officiated.

The wedding music was played by Miss Mary Kintner, cousin of the bride.

Mr. George L. Wingate of North East, uncle of the bride, gave her in marriage. She was attended by her cousin, Miss Margaret Kintner of Perryville, maid of honor. Miss Lois Kuhn of Washington and Miss Ruth Lowry of Baltimore were bridesmaids.

Mr. John Bell of Johnstown, Pa., was best man. Ushers were: Mr. Robert Kent of Baltimore, Mr. Raymond Goodhart, Mr. Paul Peffer and Mr. Jack Storm, all of Washington.

The bride wore white lace and net with train and tulle veil and carried a bouquet of bride roses, lilies of the valley and gladioli. The maid of honor wore a gown of blue net with matching hat and carried garden flowers tied with yellow ribbon. The bridesmaids wore yellow net with matching hats and carried garden flowers tied with blue ribbon.

Mr. and Mrs. Lundell will make their home in Washington. The bride was graduated from the University of Maryland in 1938 and took her master's degree from the same university last month. Mr. Lundell is also a graduate of the University of Maryland and is in business in Washington.

Reckless Driver Fined

John Moore of Newark was fined $20 and costs in police court at Elkton, when found guilty of driving without a license—one of three charges against him which grew out of a fatal three-car crash near Elkton on the night of June 24.

Hearing on charges of reckless driving and operating an automobile while intoxicated were postoned. Moore was the driver of the car in which Charles Coyle, 19, of Newark, was killed. Eight other persons were injured in the crash.

Moore is being held in jail pending a coroner's inquest which will be held as soon as the injured witnesses are able to testify.

The propaganda of dictators can't harm us if we remember to shout the charm word: "Hooey.

Personal And Social

Mrs. William Henry has returned from a visit to Haddonfield, New Jersey relatives.

Mrs. Mary Cherry is spending the week with her sister, Mrs. William Workman, Mt. Joy, Pa.

Mrs. J. M. Holden left this week for Ocean City, New Jersey, where she will spend the summer.

Mrs. Mary Cherry and Miss Louise Worthington had as recent guests Mr. and Mrs. John Allen, of Doylestown, Pa.

Jay Emery, John Tyson, Kirk Brokaw and Glenn Olp motored to Virginia Beach and spent the week-end at the seashore.

Misses Mildred Reynolds, Mildred Garvin, Lillian Connelly, and Katherine Etter attended the Youth Conference at Chestertown, Md., last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hanna entertained a number of friends on Saturday evening in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Cooney, who are spending some time in Rising Sun.

Mr. and Mrs. Urie Bramble, Elkton, R. D., have annonced the engagement of their daughter, Miss Barbara Bramble, to Mr. Frank H. Harrrison, Jr., of Elsmere. The Wedding will take place on Saturday, July 22.

Miss Mary L. Brumfield, of Perryville, Mrs. Clifford Brumfield, of Willow Grove, Pa., and Mr. and Mrs. Augustus Brumfield, of Newark, N. J., were visitors of Miss Mary Brumfield and J. E. Brumfield on the Fourth.

Mrs. J. B. Reynolds, of Baltimore, spent the Fourth with Mrs. Horace Taylor, of Rowlandville. Mrs. Reynolds is a native of this section and a long time subscriber to the Midland Journal, and favored our office with a visit while she was in Cecil county.

Mr. and Mrs. Emerson K. Patten, daughter and son, of Baltimore, were week-end visitors of the former's mother Mrs. H. B. Patten. On Saturday a trip to Longwood Gardens, the duPont estate, near Kennett Squuare was enjoyed, Dr. T. B. Moore being a member of the party also.

Mr. Dwight McCurdy, of Chicago, and two sisters of Ardmore, Pa., and Mrs. Eva Faunstock, of Cincinnati, Ohio, called on their cousin, Dr. T. B. Moore, Thursday. The party had been to the New York World's Fair and were on a trip through this section visiting relatives before returning to their homes.

The wedding of Miss Nancy Aline May, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Mackall May, of Wilmington, and Mr. Gordon Phillips Hoover, of Grosse Pointe, Michigan, took place at five o'clock Friday afternoon, in Trinity P. E. Church, Wilmington. Mr. May, father of the bride, is a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. William H. May, of Elkton.

Miss Ruth Evelyn Hanna, of North Vernon, Indiana, daughter of Mitchell J. Hanna who was a native of Cecil county, has just completed a week's visit to relatives in this vicinity and is returning to Indiana via Washington, D. C., where she is spending some time with a college mate from her home town.

Miss Hanna has just taken a degree from Hanover College in Hanover, Indiana, and will teach school in the fall.

Her father was well-known in this section, having graduated from The West Nottingham Academy in 1885 and afterwards engaged in public school work in Maryland and Delaware. In 1895 he went with a pharmaceutical house as traveling salesman, holding this position until his death in 1937.

Readers Digest Award

E. B. Fockler, Principal of Chesapeake City High school, has announced that the Reader's Digest Award for Scholastic Achievement has been won by the valedictorian of the class of 1939, Miss Mary Ann Krastel, of that town.

She received an engrossed parchment certificate upon graduation.

The Reader's Digest confers this annual award as encouragement to young men and women throughout the nation who, by their scholastic achievement, give promise of growing into leadership in their communities.

The awards go to valedictorians of graduating classes each year and were established in response both to the increasing interest among students in the most significant articles which appear in current magazines and to the belief of educators that vital contact with the living, quickening thought of our day is essential both before and after graduation.

It costs Ney York State $2 a minute to maintain its world-famous Sing Sing Prison.

New Tome Headmaster Installed

Dr. Trentwell Mason White Assumes Duties At Port Deposit School

Dr. Trentwell Mason White has been installed as the first alumni-sponsored headmaster of the Tome School at Port Deposit. Dr. White, who is 38 years old, brings to this school a varied background in educational and literary fields. He was born in Boston and educated at the Murdock School and Norwich University.

He did graduate work at Harvard and in 1936 received the degree of Doctor of Arts from Staley College.

His teaching career began in 1912 when he was English master, art instructor and football coach at Hotchkiss School. From 1922 to 1928 he acted as English and public speacking master at Williston Academy at Easthampton, Massachusetts, and Dedham Country Day School at Dedham, Massachusetts. After going to Northwestern University as professor of English and director of educational research, he left in 1930 to accept five posts. He replaced the late Dallas Lore Sharp, as lecturer in creative writing at the Breadloaf School of Middleburg School, became state extension lecturer in the same subjects at Harvard, joined the English faculty of the Curry School and served as an editor of educational magazines and D. C. Heath & Company, the text book publishers.

He has also been president of the publishing firm of Lathrop, Lee & Shephard, of Boston, and is a contributor of newspapers and magazines. Among his many books for boys are: "The Things In The Road", "Three Rookies At Merton", "Famous Leaders Of Industry" and "Opportunity Ahead".

Act Extends Veterans' Preferance

Annapolis, June 30—Under an Act signed recently by Governor Herbert R. O'Conor, war veterans who are applicants for State Positions under the Merit System, are given extended preferences, to the point where, if one who is on the eligible list is passed over by any department head, the latter must submit in writing to the State Employment Commissioner his reasons for failure to give the veteran the appointment.

The amended section reads: "That an appointing officer who passes over a veteran eligible as provided in Section 9 of this Article, and selects a non veteran, shall file with the State Employment Commissioner a substantial reason for so doing, which shall become a part of the record of such veteran eligible, and shall be made available up requests to the veteran: the State Employment Commissioner is directed to determine the sufficiency of such submitted reason...and, if the reason so received be deemed insufficient, he shall order the employment of such veteran by such appointing officer, and a copy thereof shall be sent to the veteran eligible".

Should the position to be filled be held by a 'temporary' employee, authority for continuance of such employment must be withdrawn immediately, and an appointment made in accordance with the law.

Southern States Co-Operative

Southern States University held at Richmond, Virginia, on June 26, and 27, was attended by Gilbert Halsey, Manager, Southern States Rising Sun, Maryland.

A well rounded program concerning Agricultural cooperation was presented. Among the speakers were Dr. T. B. Symons, Director of Extension Work, College Park, Maryland; Dr. T. B. Hutcheson, Professor C. W. Holdaway and Dr. Gordon H. Ward, Virginia Polytechnic Institute, Blacksburg, Virginia; Dr. L. C. Norris, Cornell University, Ithaca, New York and W. G. Wysor, General Manager, Southern States Cooperative, Richmond, Virginia.

The purpose of the University was to promote the cooperative program among farmers.

Lotus Lily In Bloom

Mrs. Joseph W. Clay, of Elkton, is the proud possessor of a rare plant that is in full bloom in a small pool at her home. It is a Lotus Lily, a tropical plant, and the only one known in the locality. Mrs. Clay planted the lily root two years ago. The bloom is about ten inches in diameter and is pink in color.

The Department of the Interior spends $3 a minute protecting our public lands.