

Demster Doings

Mrs. Arthur Duell was in Syracuse Monday when she attended a chairman and vice chairman's meeting of the Northern District Federation of Home Bureaus.

Helen and Mary Jane Phillips of Phoenix spent last week with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Merritt Phillips.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Gilson of Pulaski visited his mother, Mrs. Eva Gilson recently. Mrs. Gilson is slowly improving from her recent illness.

Fred Nichols of Phoenix, Mrs. Elmer Phillips and daughter, Gloria, of Pennellville were Sunday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Merritt Phillips.

Mrs. Eva Fischer, Mrs. Mary Hanley and Mrs. Naomi Stone were in Pulaski Tuesday where they attended a Home Bureau training class.

Mrs. Nettie Myers and John McKinley of Central Square were recent visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Mer-

ritt Phillips.

Mrs. Morris Fischer spent Wednesday with Mrs. John Hall.

Mrs. Edward McLaughlin was a luncheon guest of Mrs. Merton Stone Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Hyde visited Monday evening at the Phillips home.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Robinson went to Rochester Thursday.

Mrs. Jennie Anderson of Lyndonville is spending some time at the home of her son, Clark Anderson and Mrs. Anderson.

Mrs. Glenn Chase, Mrs. Roy Sheldon and Mrs. Arthur Duell attended the Past Noble Grands dinner Saturday evening at the home of Mrs. Elin Ware in New Haven.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Hyde called at the Rector home Friday evening.

Mrs. Ernest DeMar entertained the Nina unit at her home Monday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Clark Anderson spent Thursday and Friday in Rochester and Lyndonville.

Mr. and Mrs. Kyler Lunman and family of Adams were Sunday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Eric Lunman.

Mr. and Mrs. Ward Parkhurst and sons Kenneth and Tommy visited at the Leslie Hyde home Sunday.

Mrs. Grover Clemons called on Mr. and Mrs. Frank Searles Saturday.

Mrs. Fannie Fish spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Osbert Cornell in Mexico.

Mr. and Mrs. Ellsworth Smith were Sunday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. William Fravor in Texas.

Shirley Merritt of Palermo was a weekend guest of Esther Barbo.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Rector and family of Adams Center were Sunday night supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Rector.

Mr. and Mrs. George Barnes and Morris Mason of Syracuse were Sunday visitors of Melvin Mason.

Mrs. Lydia VanCise is helping care for her mother, Mrs. Charles Peterson of Arthur, who is ill.

Mrs. James Marshall and Mrs. Leslie Hyde are serving as Trial Jurors in Supreme Court in Oswego.

Seymour Smith received cuts on his face Sunday while splitting wood. He was taken to the office of Dr. Freund in Mexico, where several stitches were required to close the wound.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Rector and family of Adams Center spent New Years with Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Rector.

Miss Edna Lighthall and Mrs. Margaret Watson of Fulton were supper guests on New Years of Mr. and Mrs. Lesler Showers.

Mrs. Elsworth Smith and family spent Thursday afternoon with Mrs. Merty Rude in Pulaski.

Mr. and Mrs. Morris Fischer and family were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Hall.

Dr. and Mrs. John R. Anderson of Mexico were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Clark Anderson.

Mrs. D. R. Fones was a Sunday dinner guest of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Fones.

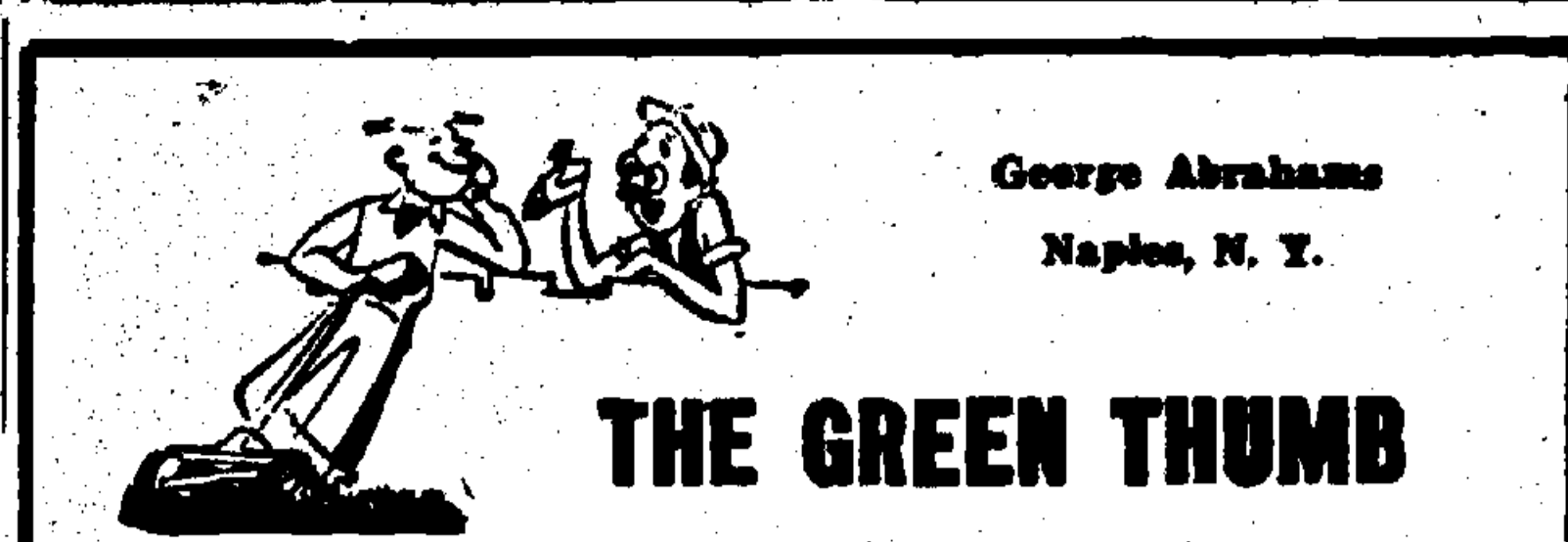
Mr. and Mrs. James Hanley and family spent last week Sunday in Oswego with Mr. and Mrs. Clair Goodwin.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Schack and family and Miss Bernice Schack of Carthage were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Chase.

Tommy and Karen Goodwin of Oswego spent several days last week with Mr. and Mrs. James Hanley.

Donna and Wickle Duell of S. New Haven were overnight guests Wednesday of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Duell. Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Dimon of Mexico were New Years eve guests at the Duell home.

Mr. and Mrs. James Marshall visited Mr. and Mrs. George Walker in Syracuse Saturday.



DISEASES OF VIOLETS: This is the time of the year the Green Thumb receives many complaints from readers of this paper, asking why their African Violets are not doing well. Here are a few of the most common troubles, with suggestions for control:

Dropping of Buds: May be due to low humidity in homes that are hot and dry. Gas fumes, especially from artificial gas will cause buds to drop, even in the tiniest amounts. Dry soils, or soils containing too much nitrogen will also cause buds to drop. Extremes of temperature are also responsible for the trouble.

Dropping of petals or blooms: May be due to an attack of thrips which pollinate the flowers and start seed development. It's natural for violets to shed blooms once pollination has been induced.

Leaf Bleaching: May be due to excess light, or lack of nitrogen in the soil. Move plants to a dark window. Too much light also causes mushy spots to develop. Grayish foliage is often indicative of lack of nitrogen.

Lengthening of the Stem: Often due to overwatering, especially when watered from below also may be due to inadequate light. When this is combined with brown edges on the leaves, the cause is usually overfeeding with nitrate or potassium.

Wilted Leaves: Usually associated with rotting of stem (petiole rot) due often to an accumulation of fertilizer salts on the rim of the pots, causing damage to the underside of the leaf stalk and subsequent rotting. Crown rot will also cause the leaves to wilt.

Stunt: A virus trouble and outwardly looks like an attack by mites. Leaves are thickened and brittle, becoming dwarfed and light colored. Control: None, but to destroy the plant.

Mites: Cause crowding of the crown leaves, dwarfing and curling of edges upward. Young leaves appear more hairy than usual. Flower stalks curve and swell. Flowers are small, misshapen and often are streaked. Control: Sodium selenate added to soil.

HOW'S YOUR PIONSETTIA? If the leaves of your poinsettia have started to turn yellow, curl or fall; it might be due to hot, dry room; this or low humidity, or lack of watering will cause the same trouble. Don't forget—you can make your poinsettia bloom again next Christmas, so don't throw the plant away after it loses its cheery red foliage. You can make yours bloom next Christmas simply by following the directions in our bulletin on Poinsettia Culture. This bulletin tells how to prune your plant after flowering, gives handy tips on simple summer care, and most important it gives you the secret of forcing the plant to bloom exactly at Christmas time. Friends, be sure to enclose a self-addressed, stamped envelope for your free copy, and make sure your address is complete.

THE QUESTION BOX: B. F. writes: "I have raised a few geraniums in my home. One pink variety suddenly took a notion to send out a red flower. Is this something rare for a plant to do?"

Such deviations are happening quite frequently in the plant world. Plants that are highly hybridized, such as roses, mums, carnations, apples and others do this, and fortunately it's a good thing because many new varieties have started this way. This new growth is called a "bud sport" or mutation, and when this happens, propagate the changeling so you'll get new plants.

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