

**Is That So?**

By OLGA BURNS

Quick as he is to resort to chemical warfare, the skunk is actually one of man's better friends.

Take the case of the skunk and the ladybird beetle, or ladybug.

Though extremely fond of insects, including most crop destroyers such as cutworms, the skunk lets the ladybug severely alone. This is a break for man because most ladybugs are heavy eaters of other insects.

It is true that the skunk doesn't bother ladybugs because he finds them unpalatable, just as he does toads which are also great insect eaters. And it must be admitted that he does have a fondness for bees and honey that makes it advisable to keep the hives up out of his reach. But that drawback is more than offset by the fact that he is much addicted to wasps and yellow jackets, digging them out of their homes whenever he finds them.

Rodents are equally high on his list of favorite foods. He is a constant hunter of field mice that are so destructive of crops, and as for rats, the smaller spotted skunks have been known to follow them into their holes. The striped kind, that may tip the scales at 10 pounds, can't do that, of course, but any barn he frequents will soon be ratless.

And not necessarily at the expense of some chickens. Some skunks develop a liking for chickens and hens' eggs, but if the birds are properly cared for the skunk will probably never develop a taste for them. Studies of the stomach contents of hundreds of wild skunks show they concentrate mainly on insects and rodents with an occasional frog or snail thrown in. The menu is varied somewhat with fruit, berries and grains. Little in Distavor

In view of his eating habits and the quiet manner in which he usually conducts himself, there is actually little to be said in the skunk's disfavor.

Probably the most serious charge is that they have a tendency to rabies. That, however, seems actually baseless. Some skunks have developed rabies, but since even rabbits have, to say nothing of various other animals, and since the likelihood is that they got it from a rabid dog or cat, they present no special threat to man in that respect.

In fact, so long as a skunk is facing you, there's little to worry about. Just don't frighten him into turning around.

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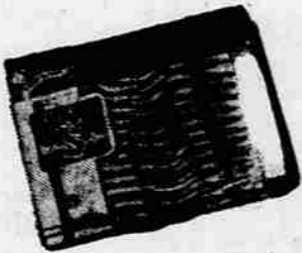
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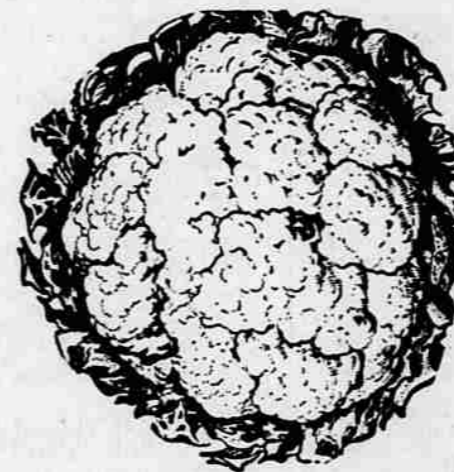
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