

DEAD ARTIST'S SPIRIT LIVES

HAMILTON, Ill. (AP).—Although he has passed in the flesh, the spirit of George Upp, the painter, still lives on in the quiet beauty of the retreat he established years ago in the heart of these opulent Illinois grain fields.

Wielding palette and brush for more than half a century, and active almost until he died last year, George Upp fashioned a studio and a place of refuge from the bustling world at Ivywild farm near here which has become known to the ends of the country.

Upp was buried beneath the cool, friendly trees on the flower-scented lawn of Ivywild. The headstone is a life-sized lion in cement, which he made. Nearby is the studio he constructed and in which many of his best pictures have a permanent home.

Visitors by the hundreds flock to Ivywild to see the gallery, to picnic under the trees, and to talk with members of the household of the white-haired artist whose presence still seems to hover near the treasures he left behind.

Just in the long gallery, with its mirrors reflecting the rows of pictures through interminable vistas, the best work of the artist is displayed, a simple sketch of the surrounding fields and orchards, poignant in its unfinished state. Close at hand is the palette and brushes with which he mixed his last colors.

In his long career, Upp painted thousands of pictures. They are scattered to all parts of the United States and even to foreign countries. Although he specialized as a portrait painter, he was equally skilful in other fields. Nothing delighted him more than to paint the placid beauties of nature, scenes in the fields, meadows and orchards and flowerlands near his home.

Though past so at the time of his death, his enthusiasm and enterprise was unflagging. He was continually planning new work, his eyes to the future. Just a few years ago a fire destroyed Upp's dwelling, including many of his finest paintings, treasured through years. This followed shortly the death of a son.

Rebuilding his home and adding a gallery, his ready brush soon had it stocked again with pictures and thus it remains to this day. The gallery was constructed so that it might be used as a dance hall by his neighbors and friends. Outside were long picnic tables, swings, colorful gardens and other amusements for the amusement and entertainment of his guests, who were free to come and go as they pleased.

This tradition still survives at Ivywild.

Green and Latin Show Popularity Gain in Schools URBANA, Ill. (AP).—Greek and Latin may be dead languages, but they show surprising vigor in resisting efforts to have them shoved off the college curriculum in favor of "practical" subjects, says H. V. Cantor, dean of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, University of Illinois.

Reports from widely separated sections of the country, he states, indicates a steady increase, both in the secondary schools and in the colleges, of students taking these courses.

Coincident with this, is an urgent call for teachers of classical subjects and an inadequate supply of prepared teachers to answer the call.

"Last year," Dean Cantor continues, "the demand for such teachers could not be met in New York, Missouri, Texas, Indiana, Iowa, Illinois and Ohio."

Hidden Coins Found in Jail. COTTAGE GROVE, Ore.—Chief of Police Pitcher, while cleaning out one of the cages in the city jail, found hidden around the edges of the roof a number of pennies. The dust that had gathered on them indicated that they had been there for a number of years. Pitcher was of the opinion that the coins were cached by some prisoner wanted for robbery and that the pennies might have been good evidence if found on him.

A VERY SHORT SPEAKER

Angelo Riiso, who is 17 years old and less than three feet tall, is a member of the debating team of Tech High school at Omaha, Neb. He's shown here chatting with a fellow student of normal height. Riiso trains his oratorical voice by selling papers in his off hours.



Beauty of Castel Nuovo to Be Revealed to Tourists

NAPLES, (AP)—After thirty years of intermittent efforts on the part of the successive mayors of Naples, supported by prominent art lovers, it has been decided to raze the cluster of unsightly buildings which so long has marred the superb beauty of the famous stronghold known as the Castel Nuovo.

The Castel Nuovo was built in 1279-83 by Charles I of Anjou from a design supposedly supplied by Pierre d'Angicourt, and was enlarged successively by Alfonso J in 1442, by Don Pedro de Toledo in 1545 and by Charles III in 1735. The kings of the houses of Anjou and Aragon and the Spanish viceroys one after another used it as a dwelling.

Besides its outward architectural beauty the castle contains a famous lofty Gothic armory.

SHOP ROBBED AND FIRED

ROSEBURG, Ore.—After looting J. H. Berner's tailor shop in this city of 18 bolts of goods and five suits of clothes thieves set fire to the building in an effort to destroy evidences of the robbery. After taking what they wanted, they filled up boxes of inflammable articles and set fire to the structure in two places. The fire was discovered and extinguished before any great amount of damage was done.

Boatman Gathers Many Archaeological Relics

CLARKSVILLE, Tenn. (AP)—H. L. Johnson, retired steamboat captain, thinks Tennessee "can not be beat" by any other state in the production of valuable archaeological relics.

An archaeologist and historian during 60 years, he has assembled a vast collection of specimens from the Indian mounds and former abodes of the forgotten stone grave race.

While "on the river" Captain Johnson constructed a boat 74 feet long in which he traveled and installed a museum which aroused interest of the natives and enabled him to add valuable articles.

Thirteen much-hunted ceremonial dishes of fine quartz, all of which save one he found in Tennessee, are in his possession. "Relics which we are unable to identify we call ceremonialists," he explained.

A valuable specimen of the collection is a birdstone ornament with pearl eyes, one of the 800 known to be in existence. A charm he recovered was fashioned to get in the fields by the Indians to contain grain as an amulet to the gods to bring good crops.

Specimens of arrowheads and spearheads, some with the famous curved points, beautiful ornaments of rose-colored quartz, pre-historic tools, images, carved shells, beads and many other valuable specimens, recovered from mounds and graves also are included in the collection.

"I have seventy-five cents less than a million," said Johnson for my wife first, then myself and the rest I am investing in my collection," Captain Johnson said. "The children ought to be able to make a living for themselves."

SEATTLE (AP)—William G. Grady, who discovered gold in Gold Pan creek and started a rush in Cassiar country of British Columbia last year, says that looking for the precious metal is more fun than taking it.

"Maybe I'll sell out my interests so I can go out in the hills and try to find something else," he added, per shovel daily. Grady came to Grady and his partner, Hugh Seattle en route to eastern Canada Ford, worked the claim for 50 to 100,000 in gold nuggets. He had about days last summer and took out \$20 \$10,000 in gold nuggets.

Band Leader Reverts to Type



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Rebel Believes Pigmies Once Highly Civilized

TUCSON, Ariz. (AP)—Whether the pigmy of Dutch New Guinea is evolving or degenerating first must be determined before it may be classed as the "missing link," in the opinion of Albera Rebel, Tucson editor, who has seen the creature.

In commenting on the Smithsonian Institution's expedition to Dutch New Guinea, Rebel told of impressions formed when he went with a Dutch ecological party to the uncharted fastnesses of Sumatra in 1918.

Pigmies may easily be called "ape men," he said, for their mode of living is not much above that of apes. Although his first contact with the Balaka of interior Sumatra almost convinced him he had found the gap in the Darwinian hypothesis, Rebel was amazed to learn the savages once had known a comparatively high state of civilization, as evidenced by remnants of art and writings in an alphabet known only to them.

Rebel's party established contact with the pigmies by signaling, but were never able to approach them. A few gifts of trinkets were left on a hillside. The next morning they were gone and jungle food was found in their place.

In this manner many trophies were obtained, but when the white men came near, the pigmies took to trees like monkeys. The habitations were examined and found to be nothing more than nests.

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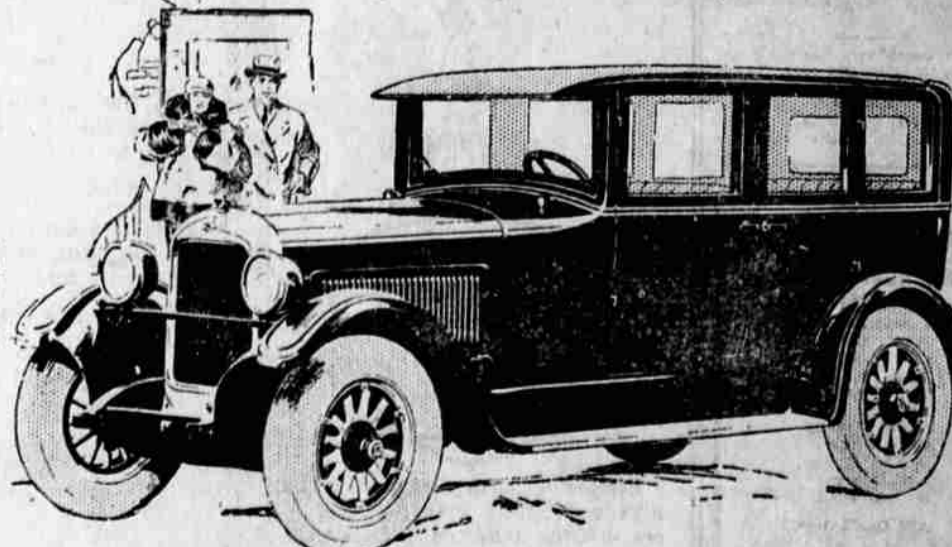


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