

LOCAL NEWS

Mrs. Agnes Butler was a visitor at Medford Thursday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. William Hooker of Medford visited friends in this city Sunday.

Fred Lewis, who recently returned from France, was discharged at Camp Lewis, Wednesday, and returned home Friday. "Rip" is looking fine, and says that he was ready to come home. He was in some of the hardest scraps of the war.

Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Sisemore of Klamath Falls, were in town Wednesday.

Joe Gagnon of Medford transacted business in this city Thursday.

Jaesten Hartman and sons are repairing a county bridge at Applegate, this week.

Judge Gardner made a trip to Evans creek Tuesday to inspect some road work in that district.

Charles Moon, a well known miner and prospector was shot and killed while at work in a placer mine on Ash creek, ten miles from Hornbrook, Calif., last Saturday. Mr. Moon was a son of A. S. Moon, of Sams Valley, and resided in Jackson county nearly all his lifetime.

Clay A. Walker of Applegate was a business visitor in this city Friday.

Mrs. Mary E. Day was a recent visitor at Medford.

E. P. Anthony, an attorney of Albany was a business visitor in this city Friday.

James Buckley of Ruch was a visitor in this city Thursday.

A. H. Davis, an attorney of Ashland, and Miss Ida Plummer were married in this city Monday afternoon by County Judge, G. A. Gardner.

Mrs. Arabella Ross Davis, who died at Mountain View, California, Sunday April 27, was buried in the cemetery at this city Wednesday. Mrs. Davis was a daughter of the late Col. John Ross, a noted pioneer of Jackson county.

T. J. Williamson, a former well known resident of this city, died at his home in Medford Saturday, April 26. The body was shipped to Portland for cremation.

The Ashland lodge of Elks expect to initiate a class of forty candidates tonight.

Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Reames of Klamath Falls, were here Wednesday to attend the funeral of the late Mrs. Arabella Ross Davis, who was a sister of Mrs. Reames.

Miss Ellen Hartman attended the Severson funeral at Central Point Thursday afternoon.

Mrs. Ella Walsh and son Harry were visitors at Medford Thursday.

Attorney Frank J. Newman of Medford transacted business in this city Thursday forenoon.

Mac Johnson has moved into the Dr. Golden house on Oregon street.

Charles Rosecrans, who has returned from France recently, was discharged at Camp Lewis Sunday. He spent a couple of days here this week visiting friends. He saw some pretty stiff service while at the front, but says that the boys took it all in good spirits as being part of the day's work.

Ray Coleman, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Coleman of this city, who enlisted in the navy about two years ago is home on a furlough. His ship, the U. S. S. Pittsburgh, is now at Portsmouth, N. H.

Antone Rose has a novel scheme to get additional water for irrigating his garden; he plans to put in a jet pump (somewhat on the plan of a hydraulic ram) to lift water from a well on his premises, the jet to be operated by city water. As the water pressure in the city mains is about 100 lbs. to the square inch and the well is only 19 feet deep, the plan might work well.

The members of the county court made a trip to the Applegate valley to examine the condition of roads and bridges in that region, Friday.

Miss Celia Hansen of Medford visited friends in this city first of the week.

Mrs. B. L. Moses and children were visitors at Medford today.

Mrs. Martha Dunnington and Mrs. Barbara Reter were visitors at Medford Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hansen of Medford visited friends in this city Sunday.

Attorney H. A. Canaday of Medford transacted business in this city today.

Mrs. W. R. Sparks was a recent visitor at Medford.

O. M. Knox was a business visitor at Central Point Thursday afternoon.

Miss Iessie McCully was a visitor at Medford Wednesday afternoon.

Miss Zola Knox was a visitor at Medford Thursday.

All work done in 1919 spot cash at W. R. Sparks.

Mrs. J. B. Coleman visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Adams, on Wagner creek, recently.

Judge and Mrs. G. A. Gardner visited friends at Talent, Sunday.

Miss Maxine Rose of Talent visited at the Ager home first of the week.

Earl Meiling of Medford, agent for the Metropolitan Insurance company, transacted business in this city Friday.

S. P. Shutt and son, of Cottonwood Falls, Idaho, were in town several days this week.

Planes to Hunt Whales.

Aberdeen, Wash., April 27.—Catching whales by means of airplanes, a suggestion made a short time ago by Victor Street, former whaling station manager, but regarded as chimerical, is not to be scoffed at according to George Le Marquard, present manager of the Bay City station.

Captain Marquard says the airplane will be valuable in locating schools of whales and notifying the hunting ships, rather than killing the whales with airplane guns.

In the early part of the season, says the captain, it is difficult to locate whale schools. With an airplane wireless, he says, much better results could be gained than by whalers.

Pioneer of 1852 and M. E. Preacher Dies.

Tacoma, Wash., April 29.—Rev. Thomas M. Reese, pioneer Methodist missionary in the Northwest, died here today while on a visit at the home of his daughter, Mrs. E. L. Overmar. Rev. Mr. Reese had been a resident of Cowlitz county for 50 years.

He was born in Ohio 34 years ago, and in 1852 he made the overland trip to Oregon. In 1888 he entered the Methodist ministry and for many years he rode the lower Columbia river circuit in Oregon and Washington. He is said to have united in marriage more sons and daughters of pioneers than any other preacher in his territory.

Daily Thought. So far as anyone shuns evil, so far he does good.—Swedenborg.

"Employment Sunday" Announced.

Salem, Or., April 27.—May 4th will be observed as "Employment Sunday" throughout the United States and Government officials today issued a statement calling upon the people of Oregon to observe the day. The purpose is to aid state and federal agencies in finding employment for returned soldiers and sailors.

ANTIQUITY OF DECORATIVE ART

Strange Sources From Which Pigments Used by Modern Painters Are Derived.

PRESERVATION OF SURFACES.

Crude but Effective Processes Employed by the Egyptians and Greeks of Pliny's Day—Noah Prudently Waterproofed the Ark.

Whether paint was invented in answer to a need for a preservative or to meet a desire for beauty is a question fully as knotty as the ancient one about the relative time of arrival of the chicken or the egg. It was invented, though, and it serves both purposes equally; so whether it is an offspring of another necessity or an adopted son of beauty remains forever a disputed question.

The first men, covering under the fierce and glaring suns of the biblical countries, constructed rude huts of wood to shelter them. The perishable nature of these structures caused rapid decay, and it is probable that the occupants, seeking some artificial means of preservation, hit upon the pigments of the earth in their search. It is perhaps natural to suppose that it was the instinct of preservation that led men to the search, although the glories of the sunsets and the beauties of the rainbow may have created a desire to imitate those wonders in their own dwellings.

The earliest record of the application of a preservative to a wooden structure dates from the ark, which was, according to the Bible, "pitched within and without." The pitch was a triumph of preservation whatever it lacked as a thing of beauty.

Decoration applied to buildings first comes to light with ancient Babylon, whose walls were covered with representations of hunting scenes and of combat. These were done in red and the method followed was to paint the scene on the bricks at the time of manufacture, assuring permanence by baking. Strictly speaking, this was not painting so much as it was the earliest manifestation of our own familiar kalsomining.

The first Hebrew to mention painting is Moses. In the thirty-third chapter of the book of Numbers he instructs the Israelites: "When ye have passed over the Jordan into the land of Canaan, then shall ye drive out all the inhabitants of the land from before you and destroy all their pictures. . . ."

At later periods the Jews adopted many customs of the peoples who successively obtained power over them and in the apocryphal book of the Maccabees is found this allusion to the art of decorating: "For as the master builder of a new house must care for the whole building, but he that undertaketh to set it out and paint it, must seek out things for the adorning thereof."

Although Homer gives credit to a Greek for the discovery of paint, the allusions to it in the books of Moses, the painted mummy cases of the Egyptians and the decorated walls of Babylon and Thebes fix its origin at a period long antecedent to the Grecian era. The walls of Thebes were painted 1,900 years before the coming of Christ and 906 years before "Omer smote his bloomin' tyre."

The Greeks recognized the value of paint as a preservative and made use of something akin to it on their ships. Pliny writes of the mode of boiling wax and painting ships with it, after which, he continues, "neither the sea, nor the wind, nor the sun can destroy the wood thus protected."

The Romans, being essentially a warlike people, never brought the decoration of buildings to the high plane it had reached with the Greeks. For all that the ruins of Pompeii show many structures whose mural decorations are in fair shape today. The colors used were glaring. A black background was the usual one and the combinations worked thereon red, yellow and blue.

In the early Christian era the use of mosaics for churches somewhat supplanted mural painting. Still, during the reign of Justinian the Church of Saint Sophia was built at Constantinople and its walls were adorned with paintings.

In modern times the uses of paint have come to be as numerous as its myriad shades and tints. Paint is unique in that its name has no synonym and for it there is no substitute material. Bread is the staff of life, but paint is the life of the staff.

No one thinks of the exterior of a wooden building now except in terms of paint coated. Interiors, too, from painted walls and stained furniture down to the lowliest kitchen utensil, all receive their protective covering. Steel, so often associated with cement-reinforcing, is painted before it goes to give solidity to the manufactured stone. The huge girders of the skyscrapers are daubed an ugly but efficient red underneath the surface coat of black. Perhaps the best example of the value of paint on steel is found in the venerable Brooklyn bridge, on which a gang of painters is kept going continually. It is scarce possible to think of a single manufactured article which does not meet paint somewhere in the course of its construction. So has paint grown into the very marrow of our lives.

JUST A LARK

By MILDRED WHITE.

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"Take me with you, Barrie," his sister begged. "I'll promise not to break in on your fishing, and I have always wanted to stop at that inn on the shore."

But her brother shook his head. "I know what that would mean," he complained; "being dragged in with new-made acquaintances for all sorts of entertainments. I am going to indulge myself in a fishing trip, and not to make a target for a lot of angling girls."

"As to that," answered Miss Dulele, "you are too absorbed in your own affairs, Barrie, to notice that I am usually a target myself for confident male attention. Unbelievable as it may seem, I also yearn for solitary pleasure. I'd rather enjoy myself in my own way, with books for company, and no dress enactments to bother. Let me go, Barrie; I will hide away in a corner with magazines and chocolates, and have the time of my life."

"And I suppose," her brother scoffed, "that I wouldn't be halted at evening, tired after a day's sport, to help you entertain Miss New Somebody or other?"

"You wouldn't," his sister promised. Suddenly her expressive face brightened. "Barrie," she said, "I'll tell you what: Let us pretend we are a married couple. Just for a lark. Why not? That understanding would prevent the troublesome complications you are conjuring. No one knows us in that out-of-the-way place; we are not likely to see again those we may meet. Even in that possibility, the thing would be considered a natural mistake—Mr. and Miss Trent, instead of Mr. and Mrs." Dulele jumped to her feet. "Oh! come on, agree, Barrie," she coaxed, and laughingly Barrie agreed.

He was bound to admit the wisdom of his sister's plan, after his first satisfactory day's fishing. The tree-sheltered corner he chose was most restful, and the fish seemed waiting to bite. When he returned joyously weary to the veranda of the inn, Dulele, strangely unattended, loafed happily in her hammock. Her simple midday was comfortably crumpled, and her hair twisted itself in uncareful ringlets.

"Tomorrow," Barrie told her, "I shall start at five in the morning." And he did. He was forcing his way through obstructing branches, to his chosen retreat, when he paused abruptly, in astonishment. Another fisherman or rather fisherwoman, had forestalled him. Calmly holding a bamboo rod, sat the prettiest girl he had ever seen. At least that is what Barrie thought; others might have disputed his opinion. And Barrie all his young life had been indifferent to female charm.

This girl, who was unlike any other girl Barrie had known, turned upon him frowningly, and bade him, as one man to another:

"Keep still or you'll spoil my bite." Barrie kept still, until the struggle between the fish, which was large, and the girl, who was small, threatened to throw both into the river. Then Barrie came forward masterfully, and possessing the rod, triumphantly landed the fish.

At which, the girl, whose moods were strangely surprising, begged Barrie to remove the hook and set the poor fish free.

"You see," she naively explained, "I never really expected to catch him."

"Better take him home for dinner," Barrie suggested.

"I'm staying at the inn," the girl objected, "so I have no use for him there."

"I'll keep the fish myself, then," Barrie said decidedly, "to add to my day's sport."

Reluctantly the girl consented, allowing him later to rebait her hook.

It is surprising how much environment has to do with the advancement of friendship. Barrie in two meetings at a formal affair, would have been addressing his new-found companion as "Miss Robinson," which she confided was her name. But after a second gloriously long and idle morning in the isolated spot beneath the trees, he was calling the girl of the fishing rod "Little Brown Eyes," and his voice sounded very tender.

"You will come again, Brown Eyes?" begged Barrie.

The charming girl sadly shook her head.

"I think not," she said. "Mrs. Trent might not like it. We usually visit together afternoons on the hotel veranda."

"Of course," the girl continued, "I should not have become acquainted with you—had I not known—Mrs. Trent first?"

The sun had left Barrie's sky and his step its spring as he came scowlingly to face his sister. A white-flannelled young man was now in attendance.

"Barrie," Dulele announced carelessly, "this is Mr. Robinson. His sister was a classmate of mine at Denn's, and she's staying here at the inn. I was telling them yesterday about our little lark. It's all off, Barrie. Mrs. Trent is no more."

But Barrie's face showed no disapproval. A girl's laughing face looked out at him from the shadows of the hall, and Barrie hastened to step inside.

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Following is the report of U. S. Volunteer Cooperative Observer, E. Britt; Jacksonville, for month of Mar. Latitude 42 deg. 18. min. north; longitude 123 deg. 5 min. west.

Date	Maximum	Minimum	Precip.
1	41	37	.06
2	48	37	.60
3	51	36	
4	49	36	.66
5	48	31	.67
6	50	33	.57
7	45	28	
8	49	32	.14
9	47	29	
10	52	25	
11	49	35	
12	55	30	
13	48	35	
14	49	33	.06
15	49	33	.08
16	52	29	
17	60	36	
18	54	39	
19	55	33	
20	65	29	
21	68	33	
22	67	32	
23	66	32	
24	65	30	
25	65	29	
26	71	33	
27	60	43	
28	65	41	.06
29	68	39	
30	67	40	.04
31	71	34	
			.174

Temperature—mean max. 56.54; mean min. 32.33; mean 44.46; Max 71 on 31; Minimum 28 on 7. Greatest daily range, 38. Total precipitation 1.74 inches. Greatest in 24 hours, .60 in. on 2. Number of days with .01 inch or more precipitation, 10, clear, 10; partly cloudy, 11; cloudy, 10.

Total snowfall T inches  
Precipitation for season, 20.44  
Precipitation for last season 19.06  
Seasonal average

E. BRITT,  
Cooperative Observer.

Southern Oregon Traction Company Time Table

Effective Feb. 23, 1919  
Leave Jacksonville.  
7:20 a. m. daily except Sunday  
8:30 a. m. daily except Sunday  
10:00 a. m. Sunday only  
11:20 a. m. daily except Sunday  
2:00 p. m. daily  
3:45 p. m. daily  
5:00 p. m. daily  
7:15 p. m. Wed & Sat. only  
Leave Medford.  
8:00 a. m. daily except Sunday  
9:30 a. m. Sunday only  
9:45 a. m. daily except Sunday  
10:38 a. m. Sunday only  
12:08 Noon-daily  
2:45 p. m. daily  
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10:00 p. m. Wed & Sat. only

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