

Stories of Great Scouts

By Elmo Scott Watson

CALIFORNIA JOE'S JOKE ON THE SOLDIER BOYS

California Joe was a man of mystery. His real name is unknown, some saying it was Joseph Miller, and oth-

ers asserting it was Hawkins. Whatever it may have been made little difference in his fame, for his title of California Joe was known from Canada to Mexico, and from the Missouri river to the Pacific coast. One of the traits of this quaint old scout was his fondness for a practical joke, and many a long day's march in the Indian campaigns was made lighter for the officers he served by one of his pranks. One time during the Sioux war of 1876, while he was scouting for Col-

Anson Mills, he discovered an old grave along the trail. Joe stopped, took off his hat and bowed his head reverently. The soldiers immediately did the same and asked him the reason for his act.

"This here is the grave of poor Amos Billings," said Joe. "He was with me back in 1833 when we dug gold in the Black Hills. We got so much that we had all our pockets full, and even our mules wuz loaded to th' las' pound. One night we camped right on this spot, and that night poor Amos took the cramps. Lordy! how he did suffer is awful for me to think on now. We done all we could but the poor feller died that night.

"We all had all th' gold we could carry, so we jist buried Billings' dust with him, includin' what his mule wuz carryin', fer we didn't think we had any right to take it. Poor Amos Billings! Here's one more tear to moisten your grave."

That night the soldiers took spades and rushed to "poor Amos Billings'" grave. They dug and dug. After going down 10 feet they found some old bones but no gold. "Poor Amos Billings" never existed except in the imagination of California Joe, and when the tired soldiers came straggling into camp, his only comment was: "What 'fernal fools these fellers be!"

He next became a trapper and worked for Old Jim Bridger until 1831, when he went to Oregon on a hunting expedition. At the outbreak of the Civil war he joined the Union army as a scout and was one of Berdan's sharpshooters in Virginia. He drifted West again and became the favorite scout of General Custer who made him chief of scouts in the Washington campaign in 1867.

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LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been appointed by the County Court of Morrow County, Oregon, Executrix of the last will and testament of John B. Natter deceased and has qualified as such. All persons having claims against the estate of said deceased are hereby notified and required to present the same to me duly verified as by law required, at the office of my attorneys, Woodson & Sweet in Heppner, Oregon, within six months from the date of first publication of this notice.

Dated and published the first time August 15, 1922.

ANNA NATTER, Executrix.

NOTICE OF FINAL ACCOUNT

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned Administrator of the estate of Andrew J. Warren, deceased has filed his final account with the County Court of the State of Oregon for Morrow County, and that said court has ordered that said account be settled on the 16th day of September, 1922 at the hour of two o'clock P. M. of said day, in the Court room of the County Court in Heppner, Oregon.

Objections to said account must be filed on or before said date.

Alexander Warren Administrator



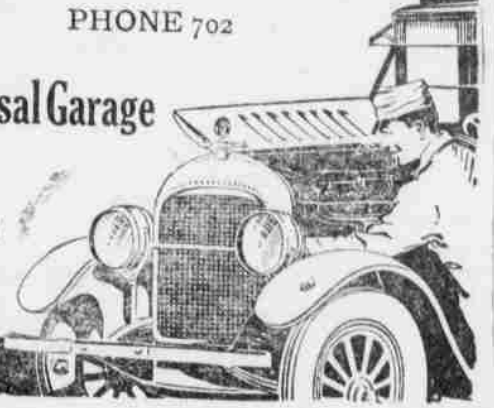
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SUMMER MILLINERY SINGS ITS ALLURING SWAN SONG



IN JULY and August hats for mid-summer sing the swan song of summer millinery. They are the recession in the millinery hymn to summer that begins in southern climes, long before Easter, and ends when the first hint of autumn creeps into the air in the north. They spread wide and airy brims and bloom to the heat. Like tropic flowers, they are beautiful and short-lived. A mid-summer hat in autumn looks as forlorn as a fragile butterfly would in a snowstorm.

Just how alluring they are this season may be imagined by a glance at the four dress hats pictured here, in the company of one late summer tailored hat, of white satin and fringe. The group leads off with a mid-summer night's dream in black georgette and lace. The shape is an exaggerated poke bonnet, covered with georgette laid in wide folds on the crown. A lacy scarf is draped over the brim falling over its edge and partly veiling the forehead and eyes. It slips off the brim and falls over the shoulder at the right side, making way for one large, full blown pond lily that eclipses even the glory of fine chantilly lace.

Lace and plaited georgette again join forces in the light, beige-colored

hat at the right of the group. Very large two toned poppies in a cluster find shelter under the brim at the left side. Huge poppies also trim the crepe hat at the center with its peculiar brim (in three pieces) that widens at the sides and narrows at the front. Its brim and a soft, round crown are overlaid with an embroidered or figured crepe, with plain crepe for a brim facing. It is a model which might be successfully developed in any light color.

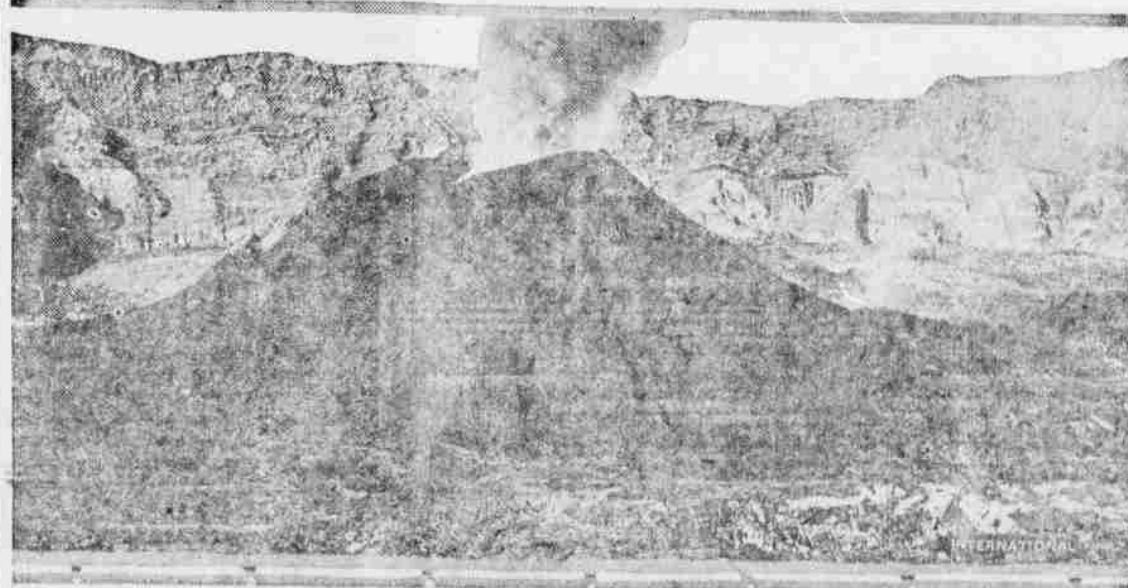
The last hat in the group, of white hair braid and chiffon, has a very wide brim that narrows and lifts across the front. A narrow millinery braid is stitched in a pattern over both the crown and brim. Long sprays of white blossoms and fruit wander across the hat and trail from it at the sides.

In mid-summer the lace hat comes into its own and finds a perennial welcome on the part of women with educated taste in millinery. The adornment of the curtain veil has added something to its other attractions by proving itself immensely flattering to all sorts of eyes.

Julia Bottomley

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Remarkable Photograph of Vesuvius in Action



Here is the smoking cone in the crater of Vesuvius, which has had a recent period of activity that is the most severe in many years. This photograph was obtained at the risk of their lives by the camera men, as the volcano was throwing out rocks and lava almost continuously when the picture was taken.



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