

MARCH RAINFALL HALF OF NORMAL. REPORT REVEALS

The mean temperature for March was 45.3 degrees, practically equalling the past average, according to the local weather bureau. The highest reading was 76.5 on the 4th, and the lowest was 22.3 on the 29th. Daily fluctuations, in general, were small.

The total precipitation was 0.92, slightly less than half of the normal. Of this total 0.67 inch fell within twenty-four hours, and 0.22 inch of the total 0.92 was obtained from two inches of snow, when melted. 0.1 inch of soft hail fell on the 22nd. Measurable amounts of rain, snow or hail fell on seven days. Since January 1, the accumulated precipitation deficiency amounts to 3.41 inches.

Of this total (September 1, 1928 to March 31, 1929) the total fall of 2.19 inches amounts to only 59 per cent of the normal. The total wind movement was 2954 miles, giving an average velocity of 4.6 miles per hour. The highest velocity recorded for a five-minute period was 27 miles per hour from the southeast, on the 9th.

Only one day was clear, sixteen partly cloudy and fourteen were cloudy. Light fog formed on three days and dense fog on one, and light smoke was recorded on one day. A lunar halo was observed on one day and solar halos were noted on three days.

Light frosts formed on two days and heavy frosts on nine. Although freezing temperatures accompanied the frosts in all except one case, little or no damage resulted during March, because of the backwardness of all vegetation.

The summary reads in part as follows:

Date	Max	Min	Mean	Pct.
1	67	29	48	0
2	66	39	52	0
3	68	30	49	0
4	76	30	53	0
5	61	35	48	0
6	63	30	46	0
7	58	37	44	0
8	60	28	44	T
9	58	41	50	18
10	52	33	42	0
11	50	32	41	0
12	50	30	40	0
13	55	35	45	0
14	62	27	44	0
15	57	35	46	T
16	57	29	43	T
17	59	41	50	0
18	63	38	50	0
19	69	31	50	0
20	60	42	51	0
21	57	33	45	15
22	44	33	38	42
23	48	31	40	T
24	51	29	40	T
25	53	33	43	T
26	61	40	50	T
27	72	33	52	T
28	59	33	44	T
29	52	22	37	0
30	52	29	40	0
31	60	24	42	0

START WORK ON NEW RESERVOIR FOR CITY WATER

Preliminary work in preparation for the construction of the immense new reservoir which the city government some time ago decided to build, just north of and adjoining the present reservoir, has been under way for a week or more past, although the city water commission is just advertising for bids.

This 10,000,000-gallon reservoir, which will be used as a reserve supply should anything happen to the other reservoir, or the main pipe line of the new water system through which the water flows direct into the city mains from the intake, and it is expected to have it completed for use before the hot summer weather sets in.

The huge reservoir of reinforced concrete will be circular in form, will cost \$1,000,000, and will be paid for out of water commission funds and revenues. A surplus left over from the \$975,000 bonds for the construction of the new water system will largely aid in financing this cost.

The city water commission will open the bids on April 22 in the city council chamber at 5 p. m.

FAIRER WEATHER FOR TODAY CHEERS COAST FRUITMEN

The outlook at 11:30 o'clock last night was that the frost of freeze during the night would not be as heavy as last night, and that the minimum in the city would not go lower than 30, which meant that it would be 27 or 28 in most of the orchards, and 26 or less in the coldest orchards. Hence general smudging again began about that time.

At 11:30 p. m. a 31-degree temperature had been reached in this city. A minimum of 30 had been forecast earlier in the evening by Floyd Young, the frost expert, but it was expected at 11:30 p. m. that cloudiness would arise and prevent the temperature going any lower than 30.

ANNUAL BANQUET OF SPORTSMEN TO BE HELD IN MAY

At a meeting of the Jackson County Game and Fish Protective association held last night at the Hotel Medford, drafts of amendments to the by-laws were read, and set for final approval to be held in two weeks. It was also decided to hold the annual game banquet on a date in May to be named later. At this meeting members of the state game and fish commission and members of the State Sportsmen's association will be in attendance. R. J. Lockwood, state president, will attend the next meeting, when a definite date for the banquet will be set.

At the meeting last night, the poaching situation at the mouth of Rogue river was discussed at some length without any definite action being taken. The bootlegging operations, as far as fish are concerned, was described as getting no better fast.

There were 25 sportsmen present at the meeting, and considerable interest was manifested. The amendments to the by-laws concern more or less minor changes.

WEAVER ANNOUNCES 25 CENT GASOLINE

Of interest to motorists was the announcement made yesterday by Carl Weaver of Weaver's Service station on Main Street at the intersection of Fir that gasoline will be sold permanently at his station at 25 cents per gallon, or two and one-half cents less than the general price. He is the only station selling at that price in Medford.

EASTERNER ASKS FOR FREE IOWA HOMESTEAD

AMES, Iowa.—(AP) Persons who answer letters at Iowa state college have to be ingenious.

A man in Massachusetts wants to know if there is "any free land open to settlers and homesteaders in Iowa that is level and could be used for hog raising." A few years ago Iowa farm land sold for as high as \$400 an acre.

A farmer asks "what to put on a cock's comb to make it stand up," and another letter requests some "pamphlets on the monkey."

A farmer's wife wants "all your books on infinite care," and another seeks "a pantlet on braided rugs."

New Grapefruit Grove, INDIO, Calif.—(AP) A \$500,000 grapefruit grove is to be established alongside the state date groves of Conchella valley. The project has been undertaken by King C. Gillette on 480 acres reclaimed from the desert. It will have 35,000 grapefruit trees and will be completed in a year.

Advice to a young man: Before you propose to her, serve as her partner at bridge and trump her ace.

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FINAL TRIBUTE TO DR. T. J. MALMGREN

The funeral services for the late Dr. Theodore John Malmgren were held at the Presbyterian church in Phoenix, Oregon, Tuesday, April 2, 1929. The church was filled to capacity, with many people having to stand, all of which shows the high esteem in which Dr. Malmgren was held. The floral tributes were very beautiful and completely lined the altar. Rev. W. O. Johnson, Jr., of the Presbyterian church of Phoenix gave an splendid address. He told how prepared Dr. Malmgren was to meet this great obstacle. Rev. J. W. Angell of the Presbyterian church of Gold Beach, Oregon and Rev. C. E. Dunham of the Baptist church of Ashland, Oregon also gave short talks and prayers. The active pallbearers were, Dr. E. A. Coyle, G. Mac Cracken, C. T. Sweney, W. H. Heckman, E. B. Fickel, F. G. Swendenburg. The honorary pallbearers were Drs. G. Greig, M. D. Bower, J. C. Hayes, Wm. W. P. Holt, R. E. Green, R. W. Chaney.

The remains were laid to rest in the Phoenix cemetery. Paul Funeral home had charge of the funeral.

MRS. GORE LAUDED FOR MUSIC REVIEW

A letter of congratulation for the review of the John Stark Evans opening pipe organ recital in the new Sacred Heart Catholic church here, which appeared in the Mail Tribune the following day, March 25, was received by Mrs. E. E. Gore, author of the article, from James A. Bamford Reuter, organ enthusiast and publicity manager for the University of Oregon dean, yesterday.

A copy of the local article had just reached Mr. Bamford, who was responsible for securing John Stark Evans to play the Medford concert.

The letter in part follows: "At

NOTED SPECIALIST VISITS IN CITY

Dr. Dean W. Myers, eminent eye, ear and nose specialist, who is just completing a lecture tour of the United States under the auspices of a national medical association, is spending the week-end in Medford, having arrived here from Los Angeles by motor with his wife and her brother, Ben Sheldon of Medford, Friday night. They are spending the week-end at the Ben Sheldon home on Kings highway.

Dr. Myers, who has won considerable note throughout the country for his outstanding success in sinus and cataract operations, has been delegated by the National Eye, Ear and Nose association to lecture throughout the country on the operations which he has perfected during the past years.

The physician will leave here tomorrow morning by plane for Los Angeles, where he will perform a clinical cataract operation in the afternoon. Mr. Sheldon and his sister, Mrs. Myers, will leave by car for the southern city at the same time, and Dr. and Mrs. Myers will leave for their home in Michigan next Thursday.

Obituary

Mrs. Susan C. Hart
The funeral service for Susan Carolina Hart will be held at the Paul Funeral home Sunday, April 7, (today) at 2:00 o'clock, p. m. Rev. W. H. Eaton officiating. Interment will take place in the Central Point cemetery.

WARD—Funeral services for Joseph W. Ward, who passed away at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Landring near Phoenix early Thursday morning at the age of 68 years, will be held at the Conger funeral chapel at 2 p. m. Monday. Rev. Raymond S. Rees will be in charge and interment will be in Mountain View cemetery at Ashland.

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MEDFORD POST TO MEET AT J'VILLE

The highway between Medford and Jacksonville will be one of the busiest in the county Monday evening at 8 o'clock when the Medford Legion Post and Unit No. 15 go en masse to the U. S. Hotel in Jacksonville to enjoy a short business session, program, dance and refreshments, which have been prepared by committees from the two towns. Transportation can be had by going to the Chamber of Commerce by 7:45 Monday evening, April 8. Those having cars are asked to stop by and fill them.

WOLFE HELD FOR MASH AND STILL

Charged with possession of a moonshine still, George Wolfe, well known resident of Forest Creek, is in the county jail following his arrest yesterday afternoon by the sheriff's office. Wolfe is charged with the possession of a washboiler still and 200 gallons of alleged mash, ready for use. Officers say they found three dead rats in one of the four barrels that had been dead apparently for several days.

Wolfe had been under the surveillance of officers for some time, it is said, and was taken into custody yesterday before the raid was made when officers found him in Medford. Wolfe accompanied them to his property in the Forest Creek district near the head of Footh Creek and after a short search they found the alleged contraband equipment and mash.

The outfit was reported as one of the most unscrupulous ever seized in Jackson county.

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