

Your Health and Its Care

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THE COLOR OF THE HAIR

Human hair color is one or another shade of brown. That is, the pigment which determines hair color, like the pigment which determines skin color, and eye color, is brown. Period.

It is the amount of this pigment in the hair that determines whether the hair appears light or dark in hue. So-called "black" hair, like "black" skin or "black" eyes contains the most pigment, but still the pigment is brown. Blond hair contains the least pigment. Persons having the least pigment in the iris (color ring around central black pupil) are "blue eyed," but one with no pigment at all in the iris is pink eyed (albino), because the pink or reddish hue of the blood in the vessels in the interior of the eye shows through. Incidentally all babies (except albinos) have blue eyes at birth; permanent coloration of the eyes does not take place until the baby is five or six weeks old.

Red hair is brown hair that happens to contain less air globules in the cortex or outer layer of the shaft to darken the appearance of the pigment—an individual "red" hair examined under the microscope is just brown like all human hair.

The hair of albinos (persons born with congenital lack of pigment) have pure white hair. Many persons begin to turn gray before 30, and few reach 50 without some graying of the hair. Graying is more noticeable in persons with dark hair color. That graying is not due to loss or removal of pigment from the hair seems evident from the observation that graying takes place first close to the scalp and only after the hair has grown to its full length does it become entirely gray. The graying is due to failure of nutrition, failure of the blood to supply what it takes to make the pigment. We'll consider presently whether there is anything one can do about it.

Hair that has turned "white" lot of them have bitten me and I'll probably have it soon. It lasts for about 10 days and while very disagreeable, has no lasting effects.

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Wallace Beery Back In Comedy



Starting Wednesday at the Criterion starring Wallace Beery in his latest comedy "Barbary Coast Gent," with Binnie Barnes, John Carradine and Bruce Kellogg. The film is showing for four days.

TELEVISION DUE WHEN WAR ENDED, RESEARCH GAINS

New York, Dec. 12—(U.P.)—War research has brought major advances in television technique and the industry is ready to begin large scale operations as soon as hostilities end, E. W. Engstrom, research director of RCA laboratories, said today at the first convention of the Television Broadcasters association.

"Television left the research 'lab' and entered the stage of practical application even before the war," Engstrom said. "Now, technically, the stage is set and ready."

Walter R. G. Baker, vice president of the General Electric company, predicted close cooperation between television and other entertainment industries. "The show business already is being attracted to television," he said, "and television programs—other than entertainment—will include education and a new and totally different advertising approach."

NATION'S OLDEST TWINS SEPARATED BY GRIM REAPER

Berwick, Pa., Dec. 12—(U.P.)—Death separated the 93-year-old Pennington twins, believed to be the oldest twins in the nation when Wilbur C. Pennington died at his home near Forks, Pa., one half mile from the home of his brother, William.

His death came after two weeks of illness. William, whom he went to the polls to vote in the presidential election last month, visited him for the last time Saturday night.

The Penningtons were sons of a Civil War veteran who was wounded four days before Lee's surrender, and with the exception of Wilbur's living in Wilkes-Barre, Pa., region for 20 years, their entire life was spent near Forks.

They resembled each other closely, and in their youth, frequently squired country belles to the square dances and social festivals of the region posing as each other.

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Riviera

Riviera—Gold Hill Health unit met at the Roy Cameron home Tuesday, Dec. 5, for dessert luncheon at 1 p. m. The afternoon was spent in marking new and used articles for the rummage sale to be held in Medford Tuesday and Wednesday, Dec. 12 and 13. Those enjoying the afternoon were Mesdames Potter, Long, Smith, Miller, Gail, Morris, Bolt, W. A., Carl and Arthur Boye, Martin, Hill, Burton, Colton, Bloodgood, Miss Helen Parish and the hostess, Mrs. Cameron. Next meeting will be held January 2 at the home of Mrs. Maude Martin.

Wm. Howes of the Colony was in a car wreck Thursday evening, Dec. 7. He was badly bruised and his car almost demolished.

Several from here attended the Live Oak Grange social at Rogue River last Saturday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Smith, Shirley and Rolland Smith, Otto Fuhrman, Miss Marie Block, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Cameron, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. McLellan and Mrs. Harold Potter.

Mr. and Mrs. John Barnes expect to leave next week for Pasadena, Calif., to spend the holidays with their son, Ariel, and family.

Approximately 50,000,000 gallons of gasoline, fuel oil, lubricants and other petroleum products must be supplied to the armed forces each day.

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STRANGE AS IT SEEMS By ERNEST HIX



CHICAGO WAS RAISED 12 FEET! 100 ACRES OF GROUND WERE FILLED, AND EVERY BUILDING IN TOWN LIFTED UP TO PROVIDE BETTER DRAINAGE. THE JOB TOOK TEN YEARS. GEORGE (SLEEPING CAR) PULLMAN, USING 100 MEN AND 5000 JACKSCREWS, RAISED AN ENTIRE HOTEL WITHOUT BREAKING ONE WINDOW OR DISTURBING A GUEST..... 1933-35

BARNEY GOOGLE and SNUFFY SMITH



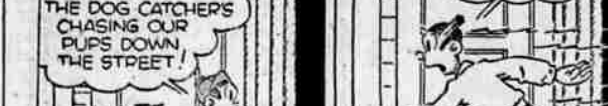
TELL TH' JAPS YOU'RE GOIN' TO DISGUISE AS A HANSEAN AMERICAN. SNUFFY—THEN YOU CAN TAKE OFF YOUR MASK AN' PRESTO!!—YOU'RE IT!



A BOBACIOUS IDEE, HAWKEY TANKY



YOU'RE NO GREEK, ADONNY. VORESEF IIG#!!



OH, IT'S YOU, DR. SAWYER! MUST BE AN EMERGENCY CASE.



NO, PETE. AS A MATTER OF FACT, I'VE HAD SOME GOOD NEWS, AND WAS HURRYING HOME TO TELL MY WIFE.



MY BOY, BUZ, IS COMING HOME ON LEAVE, UNEXPECTEDLY.



THAT'S REASON ENOUGH, DOC. I'VE GOT A BOY OVER THERE, TOO. HERE, LET ME GIVE YOU AN ESCORT.



POP QUICK! THE DOG CATCHERS CHASING OUR PUPS DOWN THE STREET!



OH, MY GOODNESS! OUR DEAR LITTLE PUPPIES!

Crossword Puzzle

Crossword puzzle grid with clues for Across and Down. Includes a list of answers for previous puzzles.

Olive Barber's Observations

After a far, far too long a time, Private Buck has been heard from again. Those of you who have followed this column will recall how persistently cheerful he has always been. This letter has a thread of gravity running through it, foreign to his other letters. The letter is headed "Marianas Islands." I'm further from home than I ever want to be again. I hope this war will be over soon, so I can come home but from what we see and know, that won't be for a long time. Until a person actually sees the tremendous amount of material and labor necessary out here, it's impossible to realize what is going on. The radio and papers painting their pictures of words seem always to want a pretty picture. Of course no one likes to look at a dull and ugly picture so I won't tell you too much about how conditions are.

"We live in a jungle and as this is the rainy season it is a sea of mud. It doesn't just rain here, it deluges. This morning, to wash my hands and face, I just cupped my hands out the tent door and had plenty of water. I could have accomplished almost the same thing inside as no tent can keep out that much water. We covered the floor of our tent with coral. Mosquitoes and flies are very thick. Some of the mosquitoes are the kind that carry (he wrote a word here I can't decipher). A

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