



Small Worlds Around Us

By Lynn M. Watkins

There's No Apparent Reason For the Scorpion Fish

The scorpion fish has an affliction that he never can out-grow or overcome - it's his looks - he looks terrible. Fortunate, indeed, for the salt water fisherman that this repulsive and highly obnoxious character is confined to the depths of the sea and is seldom brought up to the surface where a horrified world could see him. No one can say for sure, but perhaps these fish are but few in overall numbers. Maybe this revolting character frightens even those of its own kind. It would not be too surprising to find many boy scorpion fish so repelled by the girl scorpion fish that one or the other would give up and go away and hide, all by himself or herself.

No Reason
There seems no obvious reason why Nature created such a thing in the first place. And why did she create several varieties, some even more off-beat than the others? Until very recently the scorpion fish lived their mundane lives in the sea without any attention from the world at large. But a news story told of a man being "bitten" by a scorpion fish and suddenly the reading public wanted to know about this strange fish.

Scorpion fish don't bite, they sting. The sting is powerful enough to send the victim to a hospital. The stinging is done by the numerous long, sharp spines that are scattered plentifully over the head and body of the fish. These spines on the body can cut and lacerate. The fish is not venomous but infection follows the punctures. It's hard to understand why any one would touch one of these fish. Its appearance discourages any contact.

Bright in Color
Some of the scorpion fish are brightly colored. One, the so-called Rosefish, is orange-red. This one is thought to bring forth its young alive after the eggs hatch inside the mother's body. The West Indian scorpion fish reaches American shores, even as far north as Massachusetts. The fish is handsomely mottled with a bright yellow stomach which flashes when the fish is in motion.

To the family also belongs the Lionfish. He looks as bad as the others. Maybe even worse. He has flaps that hang around the spines giving him a rag-like exterior. Just to be ridiculous one of the scorpion fish is named the "unarmed." There isn't a single spine on his whole head or body but in personal appearance he looks as repulsive as the other members of the off-beat group.

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Martha Vineyard, Mass., was lornow Gosnold, an Englishman who called it a vineyard man who called it a vineyard because it was overrun by wild grapevines and Martha after his oldest daughter.

STAR GAZER

By CLAY R. POLLAN

Your Daily Activity Guide According to the Stars

To develop message for Sunday, read words corresponding to numbers of your Zodiac birth sign.

ARIES	1 Don't	31 Strange	61 With
APR 21	2 Be	32 Events	62 Into
15-17-23-26	3 The	33 Partners	63 On
43-49-57-58	4 Get	34 Of	64 Kid
TAURUS	5 Handle	35 Onto	65 Difficulty
APR 21	6 Nice	36 To	66 Today
15-17-23-26	7 Financial	37 A	67 Gloves
43-49-57-58	8 Things	38 Side	68 Worse
70-76-85-89	9 Alert	39 And	69 Visit
GEMINI	10 Affairs	40 Come	70 Off
MAY 21	11 Express	41 Sound	71 Duties
15-17-23-26	12 Extend	42 Of	72 Today's
43-49-57-58	13 A	43 Fulfillment	73 Stars
JUNE 21	14 The	44 Indicated	74 Basis
15-17-23-26	15 Undue	45 That	75 Can
43-49-57-58	16 Expect	46 Life	76 Than
70-76-85-89	17 Pressure	47 In	77 Finish
LEO	18 Charming	48 Rolling	78 And
JULY 21	19 Money	49 Of	79 Important
15-17-23-26	20 There's	50 Your	80 Business
43-49-57-58	21 Good	51 Keep	81 In
70-76-85-89	22 Self-	52 Get	82 Freely
VIRGO	23 Worn't	53 Develop	83 Encourage
AUG 21	24 Helping	54 You	84 Others
15-17-23-26	25 Delusion	55 Nature	85 You
43-49-57-58	26 Judgment	56 Someone	86 Ave
70-76-85-89	27 Can	57 Visit	87 Your
SCORPIO	28 To	58 Superior	88 Desires
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Two Thefts of Food Reported to Police

Two thefts of food from the rear of the Food Basket, 523 South Central ave., were reported to Medford police Thursday.

John Christopher Henderson, 1414 Crown ave., told police a 40-pound box of bananas and a dozen fresh pineapples, valued at \$10, were taken Thursday morning. Francis Elbert Oakes, 1007 Whitman st., reported five sacks of potatoes, with a total value of \$3.25, were taken Wednesday morning.

Both men work for Pacific Fruit and Produce company, 707 South Central ave., a wholesale produce distributor, police said.

According to the report, the thefts occurred between

Jacksonville Woman Enters Plea in Court

Marie Alta Hopper, 38, of postoffice box 621, Jacksonville, pleaded innocent in Medford municipal court Friday to a charge of drunk in public following her arrest Thursday afternoon after an auto collision. Medford police reported.

Police said Mrs. Hopper was arrested after her automobile and one operated by Kenneth James McTeal, 17, of 45 South Keeneway dr., collided at Eighth and Fir sts., about 4:45 p.m. She was released subsequently on \$50 bail. Her trial date was set in court today as April 3.

Light from the sun takes eight minutes to travel the 93 million miles to earth.

the time of delivery, 6 a.m., and the time the market opens, 8 a.m.

Spring Term Adult Education Classes To Start at MHS

Spring term adult education classes will start the week of March 30 at Medford High school, Lindsay Vinsel, director of adult education, reminded residents today.

Registration will take place at the first class meeting of each course, he said. Electrical courses offered include electrical theory, 7-9:30 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday, room 22B; fundamentals of drafting, 7-10 p.m. Monday and Wednesday, room 18; and electrical diagrams, 7-10 p.m. Wednesday, room 23.

Commercial courses include bookkeeping, 6:30 to 7:50 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday, room 22B; business machines, 8 to 9:20 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday, room 22B; refresher shorthand, 6:30 to 7:50 p.m. Monday and Wednesday, room 22B; speed writing, 6:30 to 7:50 p.m. Monday and Wednesday, room 232; and intermediate typing, 8 to 9:20 p.m. Monday and Wednesday, room 225.

Homemaking courses include cake decorating, 7 to 10 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday, room 17, and upholstery, 7 to 10 p.m. Monday and Thursday at 843 West Jackson st. College extension courses include business English, 7-9:45 p.m. Thursday, room 249; constructive accounting, 7 to 9:45 p.m., Wednesday, room 229; problems in personnel management, 7 to 9:45 p.m. Tuesday, room 251; education seminar, social foundations of education, 7 to 9:45 p.m. Wednesday, room 201B; and higher algebra, 7 to 9:45 p.m. Monday, room 244.

Additional information

Phoenix Grange News

Phoenix Grange Representatives from nine Granges and a total of 131 attended the fourth visitation meeting held at Phoenix Grange March 24. The program preceded the closed session.

Presented were "The Mid-nights" quartet with three vocal numbers and Mrs. Fred Meadows with her accordion students Douglas Mann, Bobby Mann, Walter Fitzgerald, Frank Fitzgerald, Randy Wiley and Roger Wiley. Humorous stunts were led by the lecturer Dee Hendrickson.

Masters escorted to the master's station were Kathleen Scovell, Upper Applegate; Charles Foote, Gold Hill; Benton Boyce, Central Point; R. J. Ritchey, Roxy Ann; Robert Bitterling, Eagle Point; Carl Christenson, Live Oak; and Herman Kamping, Griffin Creek. Also introduced was Roscoe Roberts, county deputy. Applications for membership were received from Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Reichstein and Mr. and Mrs. Raymond J. Cyr. Home economics chairman, Mrs. Sol Cox, reported on a turn-about party held recently at Camp White Domiciliary when the HEC members received a merit certificate, awarded for voluntary services for approximately 450 hours of sewing. Those working on the project were Mabel Cox, Elsie Lewis, Edith Poe, Sylvia Bates, Christine Dinsmore, Myrtle Hixson, Ora Smith and Velma Johnson.

Next HEC meeting will be held at the home of Mr. Mervin Hixson, April 15. about the courses may be obtained from Vinsel at the adult education office at Medford High school. President Franklin D. Roosevelt died on April 12, 1945.

Charles Hockersmith reported on a recent meeting of the planning commission and urged more members to attend. Melvin Lattie reported on school consolidation in the Phoenix and Talent district.

Mark Norton announced plans for entertainment held in conjunction with a ham dinner to be served April 4 at the Grange hall from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Serving committee for the evening included Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Gycin, Mr. and Mrs. Loyal Bates and Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Madden.

Fontana, Calif. - Cold cash turned into hot money when burglars took \$300 from the El Rivino Country club. Sheriff's officers said the money was taken from a refrigerator where it had been put for safe keeping.

Linden, N.J. - Benjamin W. Kanzler, an employee of Esso Research and Engineering Co. here, recently celebrated 40 years' service with the company. During that time, he didn't miss a single day of work. He once did leave the job because of illness, but was back next day.

OIL'S CENTENNIAL
New York - The U.S. oil industry - now a multi-billion dollar operation - celebrates its 100th anniversary this year. The first oil well on this continent was brought in on Aug. 27, 1859, at Titusville, Pa., by Edwin L. Drake, a conductor for the New Haven railroad. The first of America's "gushers" was brought in in 1861.

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<p>"I'm Just Thrilled!"</p>  <p>Laura McGuire, 909 4th Street, Medford, receives \$100 check from Phyllis Pesenti, KMED Women's Director.</p>	<p>"I've Never Won Anything Before—"</p>  <p>Mrs. Earl H. Knight, 522 King Street, receives \$100.00 check from Ray Johnson, KMED General Manager.</p>	<p>"I didn't think it could happen to me!"</p>  <p>Ray Johnson, General Manager of KMED, presents \$100.00 check to Mrs. W. E. Rosenbalm of Table Rock Road.</p>	<p>"Oh, That's Wonderful—"</p>  <p>Ellis Feinstein, KMED Chief Engineer, presents check to Mrs. E. L. Hill Jr., 3048 Madrona Lane, Medford.</p>

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