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Klamath Falls Artists at Work



MRS. WALTER F. BROWN, above and right, whose oil paintings signed Virginia White Brown have received national recognition, is a pioneer in the local art field. A capable craftsman, her work has done much to awaken outside interest in Klamath Falls as an art center.



MRS. U. S. BALENTINE, 547 Eldorado, who as Helen Balentine expresses her talent in water colors and black and white. Primarily, Mrs. Balentine worked from the sketches, but now they are in demand as a finished drawing. She is shown with some of her work, which reveals her versatility of feeling.



MRS. A. H. GISSON, 247 Hillside, who is identified with her beautiful weaving as Joyce Gibson, is pictured about to start on a necktie project. She is wearing a hand woven apron, a product of her loom. Mrs. Gisson is a busy housewife and mother, with two husky sons, Larry Arthur, three, and Johnny Douglas, four.

Top Eastern Artists Recognize Local Talent

A SHARP EYE will recognize Klamath county scenes and faces in national magazine ads, covers and illustrations, since Mr. and Mrs. Hardy and "Daggy" Gramaty spent last summer here. When they announced their plans for a summer art session in Klamath Falls to friends in Westport, Connecticut, they were smothered with pleas of "Can we stow away in your baggage?" . . . offers of "being maid" to Mrs. Gramaty and eager proposals to help drive.

Westport is known throughout the nation as THE art colony with over 150 practicing professional artists in residence. Most of the Saturday Evening Post covers are painted by Westport artists.

Last summer John Gannon, one of the best known and highest paid illustrators in the country, took hundreds of snapshots of Klamath locale from which he will paint illustrations to appear in major magazines.

He said many times "You people live in a paradise if you only knew it."

If top flight artists recognize our country as a source of material we should recognize with pride the appearance of local scenes in important publications.

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MRS. BOYD SPRAGUE, whose silk screened wrappings and cards have found their way into leading stores under the name Sprague Originals . . . Georgianna Sprague has a fully equipped workshop where she follows her design through to the finished wrappings as are shown in the picture. Also in the picture is one of her abstract paintings which, unfortunately, is not reproduced in color.