

New Zeigler Discovered

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JUNEAU, Alaska (AP) — One of the few bright spots to emerge from a million fire at the Barnard Hotel in April was the discovery of an unknown and "extraordinary" painting by Eulaise Zeigler, which the Alaska artist had done on the back of another

work damaged in the blaze, a restorer said Monday.
Dale Anderson, a gallery owner who lost 21 paintings at the landmark hotel in April 21, said he found the new Zeigler while poking through the wreckage, trying to determine what could be salvaged.
"It was the day after the fire and I went down to check on the property I had (owned)," Anderson said. "I was sad everything was a total, absolute loss."
"Some were destroyed," he said. "But I studied the others and saw a glimmer of hope in saving some of them. The working crew were stopped from chucking them into the dump."
Anderson brought six of about a dozen paintings from the hotel's collection to his studio for what he said could be a three-year restoration project.
"Upon the process of stabilizing them, we found the new Zeigler on the back of one of the other Zeigler paintings," he said. "We're calling it 'Project Phoenix.' Out of the ashes come glory. It was a bright spot in everyone's day."
The newly discovered oil shows a catch of fish in front of Mt. McKinley, Anderson said. The painting on the flip side, which had been damaged in the fire, is entitled "Snowdrift and Horne."
"It's damaged because of the heat and smoke but it's restorable," he said. "We'll end up with two paintings."
Although Anderson declined to speculate on the painting's value, he called it "one of the finest McKinley paintings" he's seen. "The quality of light and feeling for it is an extraordinary quality," he said.
"It's not unusual for an artist to put a painting on the back of a painting," Anderson said. "But usually one was considered a loose work and the artist just put another side to conserve space."
"But here you have two fine, fine paintings," he said. "Both are signed." Zeigler was 27 when he died in Seattle in 1969, Anderson said. He was a prolific artist who had spent many years in Alaska.
"He told someone shortly before he died that he turned out about 300 paintings a year," Anderson said. "Some like these at the Barnard, he did in exchange for room and board."
"One art appraiser, who asked that he not be named, said 'a ballpark figure' for the newly discovered Zeigler would be \$20,000 to \$40,000."
Barnard Manager Vern Schmitt said the restored paintings will be displayed in special boxes when they are returned to the hotel. "That's in care of another director," Schmitt said.
The one-story, 225-room hotel is scheduled to re-open Friday, Schmitt said. "Some of the decor will be temporary, or makeshift, but we'll be open rapidly," he said.
More than \$5 million in damage was caused by the blaze, Schmitt said.
"Approximately \$4.5 million of that is in the hotel, another \$600,000 was to equipment and about \$230,000 was to artwork," he said. "We've seen a lot of the whole thing and we're happy to report."
The hotel had completed a \$300,000 renovation in January, restoring the decoration of Lory's Sitka Club, the former site of the hotel's dining room, to its 1929 appearance.
"It will be returned to its 1929 mood," Schmitt said.

Tourism in Alaska Shows Steady Gains

ANCHORAGE (AP) — The first comprehensive look at tourism in Alaska since 1977 shows the average visitor to the state last year stayed with friends, was not impressed with Anchorage and spent about \$1,500 for a two-week stay.
More than half came from Washington, Oregon and California. The tourists pumped an estimated \$200 million into Alaska each year, and provided about 9,000 jobs, making tourism the fourth-largest private industry in the state, the \$250-million study reports.
Don Dickie, director of the division of tourism, said the study seems to bear out previous estimates that show Alaska tourism has increased about 7 percent to 10 percent annually since statehood.
Sightseeing was the tourists' favorite diversion in Alaska, with visiting with friends and touring Mount McKinley also at the top of the list. Anchorage, photography, their accommodations, history and the traditional pipeline were at the bottom of the list of things that impressed them.

Only One Suspect on List in Craig Killings

KETCHIKAN (AP) — Nearly two years after the crew of a Washington fishing boat was found murdered in the burning vessel near Craig, the Alaska State Troopers have focused their attention on a single individual known to be in Craig the time of the killings.
"The whole thing is focusing on one individual but we have nothing on a physical evidence — using the information in the case," said Lt. Robert Jent, head of the troopers' criminal investigation bureau.
"At least seven, and possibly eight, people died on the Inuvior, a Blaine, Wash. fishing boat owned by Mary Ouldbrink. He, along with his wife and two children, were among the victims."
Jent said the troopers will be trying to find evidence to either charge the individual they are concentrating on or eliminate him as a suspect. He said the release any additional information on the prime suspect, saying "he could be an innocent person and something like that could injure his reputation. It's premature to say an arrest is imminent."
Although several witnesses saw a suspect leaving the Inuvior shortly after it caught fire Sept. 7, 1982, the troopers have been unable to piece together enough evidence to find the man.
The troopers are trying to sort through the large number of transient fishermen in the small Prince of Wales Island community at the time of the murders. The crime occurred during the last salmon netting opening of the season, and many visitors left the area before the troopers were able to begin their investigation.
The troopers speculated the killer

Senator to Work on Compromise for Mills



Lisa Marie Smith Services Set For Friday

WASHINGTON (AP) — Sen. Frank Murkowski said he would work to work out a compromise for the Southeast pulp mills when the Senate considers the Clean Water Act later this summer.
In an interview, Murkowski said he expects the measure, which passed the House earlier this week, will be considered by the Senate after the July 4 recess. Sen. John Chafee, R-R.I., opposes a Murkowski amendment to extend the current operating permits for the mills for 10 years and a separate amendment to create a new EPA region for Alaska.
But Chafee may agree to provide some relief for the mills, Murkowski said. "There is room for compromise. It is possible," Murkowski said. He said Chafee might agree to extend the permit for a shorter period.
The House passed bill to extend the mills for a waiver from water pollution control guidelines. The study must take into account economic factors and impacts on air quality if the mills are forced to install costly water pollution control equipment.
The provision, sponsored by Rep. Don Young, after negotiations with other members of the House, is far weaker measure than the original amendment to extend the current permits for 10 years. Young succeeded in getting that amendment added to the bill in the House Public Works Committee, but faced the certainty of having it deleted by the full House if he did not compromise.
After the House action, Young said, "I'm pleased with what we got. It's amazing with the environmental groups against us that we got what we got. It is a good stroke of business. It established that the House wants to know the issue."
"If we lived in an Alaskan wilderness world, I'd be disappointed," Young added when asked about his original amendment. "But 10 years is separate. We are fortunate in getting this adopted. If I had gone for a separate amendment on Alaska, I would have been thoroughly thrashed."
EPA is considering a request to extend the two mills — Louisiana Pacific in Ketchikan and Alaska Lumber and Pulp in Sitka — for a variance from federal pollution control guidelines. The mills maintain that installing the

Emergency Calls

Sitka Volunteer firefighters spent a busy Fourth of July, answering six calls.
The first call — a fire call at Sitka Community Hospital at 2:21 p.m. — turned out to be a false alarm when an alarm malfunctioned.
An ambulance transferred a patient from Healy to Sitka Community Hospital at 3:39 p.m.
A patient was transferred from the site of a traffic accident in the 1500 block of Healy Point Road to Sitka Community Hospital at 4:48 p.m.
Another patient was transferred from Crescent Harbor to the Mt. Edgecumbe hospital at 10:30 p.m.
At 4:45 p.m., two volunteer firefighters with fire fighting equipment knocked a Coast Guard helicopter headed for Funer Bay on Admiralty Island to fight a fire by a cemetery. Before arrival, however, the crew received word that the fire was under control and assistance was no longer needed.
Firefighters received another call at 2:11 a.m. today when a small fire was reported at Kriner's Bar. A fire department spokesman called the damage "limited" and said the cause was unknown.

Senate Panel OKs Sitka Park Funding

By The Washington Times
WASHINGTON — The Senate Energy Committee Wednesday approved legislation providing up to \$5 million in federal funds to complete restoration of Sitka National Historical Park's Russian Bishop's House.
The bill already has passed the House and is expected to clear the full Senate later this summer, sending it to President Reagan for his approval.
The park's restoration was expanded in 1979 to include the Russian Bishop's House which is the former residence of Bishop Innocent who later was head of the Russian Orthodox Church.
The restoration project is expected to be completed in 1984.
Sen. Frank Murkowski, who joined the rest of the delegation in sponsoring the bill, said, "Only the Sitka National Historical Park is a living monument to the Tlingit heritage. The park marks the first site where the battle of Sitka, a major battle between the Russians and Alaska Natives, took place in 1804."
The senator said the park and bishop's house "will become the prime resource for the interpretation of Russian history in America."

Coast Guard

A helicopter crew from the Sitka Coast Guard Air Station, along with two Sitka volunteer firefighters, were dispatched to Funer Bay on Admiralty Island late Wednesday night when fire was reported in bushlands, said a Coast Guard spokesman. Before arrival, crew members and headed for home after receiving word that the fire was under control.

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Sitka Hospital

Martin Barker was discharged from the Sitka Community Hospital Tuesday. Deborah Pralley and a baby girl were admitted Wednesday.

New Arrivals

WELCOME NEWBORNS From Designer's Den 401 Lincoln 747-8002 Be sure to pick up your FREE GIFT courtesy of DESIGNER'S DEN.
FRALLEY GIRL, Melinda Lucinda Pralley was born at 11:36 a.m. at Sitka Community Hospital Wednesday. Upon arrival, the infant weighed 9 pounds, 5 ounces and was 21 and-a-half inches long.
Parents are Deborah and Frederick, an employee of Lory's Sitka Club. Other children include Christine, 7, and Maureen, 14 months.
CARROLL BOY, Jacob Wallace Carroll became the first child of Shari and Lionel Carroll Monday at the Mt. Edgecumbe hospital.
Upon arrival at 9:12 a.m., the infant weighed 8 pounds, 4 ounces and was 21 and one-half inches long. The father is a self-employed fisherman.

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