

The Plaques of E Clampus Vitus: by Sublime Grand Noble Humbug Bill Wensrich

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Humbug Chapter No. 73

The 17th in a continuing series of
articles prepared by Bill Wensrich

*"If you ain't plaque'n, then you ain't
Clampin'!"*

Under the temporal guidance of
Tim Murphy, presiding Humbug of the E
Clampus Vitus Humbug Chapter, the town of
Tennant was commemorated with a historical
monument in 1985 by ECV. Following the
plaque dedication the Chapter held its Doin's
party on the Creek just outside the Tennant
town site near Bray-Tennant Road.

The town of Tennant was a logging
camp established by the Long Bell Lumber
Company of Weed, California. Long Bell
Lumber Company was first established 1897

as the Weed Lumber Company by Abner
Weed, town namesake.

In need of more and more raw logs, the
search widened further away from Weed.
To meet demand, Tenant was established in
the 1920s. Named after Garver Tennant, a
Long Bell Lumber Company manager, the
town served Long Bell Lumber Company
needs as a support base for far flung logging
operations. Like most company owned
towns, the houses and streets seemed to be
identical and laid out in mostly symmetrical
patterns. All the buildings and stores in the
town were owned by the lumber company.
The company provided the employment,
housing, mercantile goods and social services.
Most people lived in homes the company
built on company land. It was often said that
"if you didn't shop at the company store, they
would fire you."

The Weed area lumber industry

peaked in the 1940s. By the 1950s logging
operations and the town of Tennant's
prosperity came to an end.

In 1991 the plaque was revised and
rededicated to correct errors in the wording.
The plaque photo above still poses a spelling
conflict with the town's namesake. Garver
Tennant is the correct spelling.

*Bill Wensrich serves on the E
Clampus Vitus Board of Directors. His
recently published Guide Book for the
ECV Transierra Roisterous Alliance of
Senior Humbugs titled "The Trail to
Sailors' Diggin's from Paragon Bay"
is available for purchase from the
nonprofit Del Norte County Historical
Society at their Museum located at 577
H Street in Crescent City, California.*



Today in History: by The Associated Press

Today is Wednesday, June 27,
the 178th day of 2018. There are
187 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On June 27, 1846, New
York and Boston were linked by
telegraph wires.

On this date:

In 1787, English historian
Edward Gibbon completed work on
his six-volume work, "The History
of the Decline and Fall of the
Roman Empire."

In 1844, Mormon leader
Joseph Smith and his brother,
Hyrum, were killed by a mob in
Carthage, Illinois.

In 1905, the Industrial Workers
of the World was founded in
Chicago.

In 1922, the first Newberry
Medal, recognizing excellence in
children's literature, was awarded to
"The Story of Mankind" by Hendrik
Willem van Loon.

In 1944, during World War
II, American forces liberated the
French port of Cherbourg from the
Germans.

In 1957, Hurricane Audrey
slammed into coastal Louisiana

and Texas as a Category 4 storm;
the official death toll from the
storm was placed at 390, although
a variety of state, federal and local
sources have estimated the number
of fatalities at between 400 and 600.

In 1966, the Gothic soap opera
"Dark Shadows" premiered on
ABC-TV.

In 1974, President Richard
Nixon opened an official visit to the
Soviet Union.

In 1985, the legendary Route
66, which originally stretched
from Chicago to Santa Monica,
California, passed into history as
officials decertified the road.

In 1988, at least 56 people
were killed when a commuter train
ran into a stationary train at the
Gare de Lyon terminal in Paris.

In 1988, Mike Tyson retained the
undisputed heavyweight crown as
he knocked out Michael Spinks 91
seconds into the first round of a
championship fight in Atlantic City,
New Jersey.

In 1990, NASA announced
that a flaw in the orbiting Hubble
Space Telescope was preventing the
instrument from achieving optimum

focus. (The problem was traced to
a mirror that had not been ground
to exact specifications; corrective
optics were later installed to fix the
problem.)

In 1991, Supreme Court
Justice Thurgood Marshall, the first
black jurist to sit on the nation's
highest court, announced his
retirement. (His departure led to the
contentious nomination of Clarence
Thomas to succeed him.)

Ten years ago: North
Korea destroyed the most visible
symbol of its nuclear weapons
program, the cooling tower at its
main atomic reactor at Yongbyon.
(However, North Korea announced
in September 2008 that it was
restoring its nuclear facilities.) In
Zimbabwe, roaming bands of
government supporters heckled,
harassed or threatened people into
voting in a runoff election in which
President Robert Mugabe (moo-
GAH'-bay) was the only candidate.

Five years ago: The Senate
passed, 68-32, comprehensive
legislation offering the hope
of citizenship to millions of
immigrants living illegally in

America's shadows; however, the
measure became stalled in the
GOP-led House. President Barack
Obama visited Senegal, where he
urged African leaders to extend
equal rights to gays and lesbians but
was bluntly rebuked by Senegal's
president, Macky Sall, who said
his country "still isn't ready" to
decriminalize homosexuality. Kevin
Rudd was sworn in as Australian
prime minister a day after toppling
rival Julia Gillard.

One year ago: A new
and highly virulent outbreak of
malicious data-scrambling software
began causing mass disruption
across the world, hitting Europe
— and Ukraine — especially hard.

Today's Birthdays: Business
executive Ross Perot is 88. Former
Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt is
80. Singer-musician Bruce Johnston
(The Beach Boys) is 76. Fashion
designer Vera Wang is 69. Actress
Julia Duffy is 67. Actress Isabelle
Adjani is 63. Country singer
Lorrie Morgan is 59. Actor Brian
Drillinger is 58. Writer-producer-
director J.J. Abrams is 52. Former
Sen. Kelly Ayotte, R-N.H., is 50.

Olympic gold and bronze medal
figure skater Viktor Petrenko is
49. Actor Edward "Grapevine"
Fordham Jr. is 48. TV personality
Jo Frost is 48. Actor Yancey Arias
is 47. Actor Christian Kane is 44.
Actor Tobey Maguire is 43. Rock
singer Bernhoft is 42. Gospel
singer Leigh Nash is 42. Christian
rock singer Zach Williams is 40.
Musician Chris Eldridge (Punch
Brothers) is 36. Reality TV star
Khloe Kardashian (kar-DASH'-ee-
uhn) is 34. Actor Drake Bell is 32.
Actor Sam Claflin is 32. Actress
India de Beaufort is 31. Actor Ed
Westwick is 31. Actor Matthew
Lewis (Film: "Harry Potter"; TV:
"Ripper Street") is 29. Actress
Madylin Sweeten is 27. Pop singer
Lauren Jauregui (Fifth Harmony)
(TV: "The X Factor") is 22. Actor
Chandler Riggs is 19.

Thought for Today: "It is no
simple matter to pause in the midst
of one's maturity, when life is full
of function, to examine what are
the principles which control that
functioning." — Pearl S. Buck,
American author (1892-1973).

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Asstd. Annie's
Mac-N-Cheese
\$1.69 ea.
Reg. \$2.69

Asstd. Hansen's
Sodas
\$2.99 ea. + Dep.
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Reg. \$4.49 + dep.

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Coconut Water
\$1.79 ea.
Reg. \$2.49

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& cheese. With side salad
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tomato, bellpepper, salt, pepper, garlic,
onion powder, mayo & mustard
\$3.49 lb.
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\$4.49 ea.
Your choice of
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side salad or chips. Reg. \$4.99

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\$1.89 ea.
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An all natural beef. GMO free. Reg. \$13.89 lb.

Applegate Organic
Beef Hot Dog **\$5.89** pkg.
100% grass fed beef. Reg. \$6.49 pkg.

Frozen

Asstd. Ruby Jewel
Ice Cream Sandwich **\$3.39** pkg.
Reg. \$4.19 pkg.

Asstd. Talenti Gelato **\$4.99** ea.
Reg. \$6.19 ea.

Produce

Strawberries (1 Pound) **\$2.99** ea.
Reg. \$4.49 ea.

Cantaloupe **69¢** lb.
Reg. 89¢ lb.

Corn On The Cob **79¢** ea.
Reg. 99¢ ea.

Red & Yukon Potatoes **99¢** lb.
Reg. \$1.09 lb.

Local Oregon Zucchini **\$1.69** lb.
Reg. \$2.29 lb.

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Blossom Honey **\$4.19** lb.
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