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THE WEEKLY HISTORIAN



1741—Plot perfected for the Coup D'Etat of Elizabeth of Russia.

1755—Massacre by Indians of Moravian missionaries at Gnadenhutten, Pa.

1774—Robert, Lord Clive, hero of Plassey, committed suicide.

1854—Thomas Pym Cope, who established first line of packets between Philadelphia and Liverpool, died.

1801—Federalists bombarded Confederate fortifications at Pensacola. . . . U. S. ship Santee captured privateer Royal Yacht off Galveston.

1806—First national encampment of the G. A. R. assembled at Indianapolis.

1807—Allen, Larkin and O'Brien, the "Manchester martyrs," hanged. . . . Jefferson Davis returned to Richmond, Va.

1800—Henry Ward Beecher chosen president of National Woman Suffrage Association.

1871—Grand Duke Alexis of Russia formally received by President Grant. . . . Steamboat City of London burned near Norwich, Conn.; 17 lives lost.

1872—Mrs. Fair prevented by mob from lecturing in San Francisco.

1880—Fire in Lynn, Mass., destroyed \$4,000,000 in property. . . . Centennial celebration of the ratification of the Constitution of the United States by North Carolina begun at Fayetteville.

1890—Charles Francis Adams resigned presidency of Union Pacific railway.

1891—Revolution caused resignation of President Fonseca of Brazil.

1892—The Amalgamated Association declared the Homestead strike at an end. . . . International monetary conference met in Brussels.

1893—U. S. Supreme Court decided the great lakes to be high seas.

1894—Massacre of the Chinese by the Japanese troops at Port Arthur.

1898—Marshal Blanco resigned the office of captain general of Cuba. . . . British officials at Manila celebrated American Thanksgiving. . . . Hawaiian commission held its first meeting in Washington. . . . Commercial bodies in Spain urged speedy conclusion of peace with United States.

1899—German Emperor arrived at Windsor Castle on visit to England. . . . Lord Methuen routed Boers near Gras Pan. . . . Vice President Hobart died at Paterson, N. J. . . . British defeated Boers in bloody battle of Modder river.

1900—Fifty lives lost in a hurricane in Tennessee. . . . President Kruger landed at Marseilles and given enthusiastic reception.

1901—Harvard defeated Yale at football by a score of 22 to 0.

1902—Labor riots in Havana. . . . England and Germany united to press their claims upon Venezuela. . . . Frederick A. Krupp, great German gunmaker, died.

1903—Yale defeated Harvard at football by a score of 16 to 0.

1904—Kuropatkin appointed to command the Russian army in the East. . . . President Roosevelt visited St. Louis world's fair.

1905—Mutiny of soldiers and sailors at Sebastopol.

NAMES OF TOWNS ON STAMPS.

Each of 6,000 Presidential Post-offices to Have Own Supply.

Postage stamps of the issue of 1907 put on sale at the 6,000 presidential postoffices will bear on their face the name of the State and city in which the postoffice is situated. The chief reason for this innovation is said at the Post-office Department to be the belief that it will help to do away with the big post-office robberies and make it much easier to trace criminals.

The postoffice robbery in Chicago a few years ago is a good example of the ease with which stolen postage stamps can be disposed of, for no trace of the perpetrators was ever discovered, although nearly a hundred thousand dollars' worth of stamps were stolen, and these mostly of small denominations.

Another reason for the change is to enable the Postoffice Department to determine the amount of business done by the different postoffices and prevent padding through stamps sold at some offices to residents who do business in adjoining cities.

The Jewish Home Colony.

A movement has just taken shape among some intellectual Hebrews of New York City to create a colony of inexpensive homes on Long Island for 1,683 families. A large tract of land has been laid out as a model suburban village, with space for a market place, city hall and temple of worship.

Wilson's Body Disinterred.

The body of James Wilson, a signer of the Declaration of Independence and one of the framers of the federal constitution, after lying for 108 years in a cemetery at Edenton, N. C., has been placed opposite those of his wife in the graveyard of Old Christ church, Philadelphia. A wreath on the coffin was sent by President Roosevelt. Among the speakers in connection with the ceremony were Messrs. Andrew Carnegie, Dr. S. Weir Mitchell, Alton B. Parker and Attorney General Moody.



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