

'Missing Months' In Life of Hero Thought Cleared

Chapel Hill, N. C. — (U.P.) — A University of North Carolina professor believes he has cleared up the mystery of the 20 "missing months" in the life of the American naval hero, John Paul Jones.

Dr. Archibald Henderson said no one in the world can show documentary evidence that Jones was anywhere on the face of the earth for 20 months after Feb. 1, 1774, although hundreds of scholars have attempted to do so through the years. Here's what he thinks happened:

"John Paul, while master of a ship around the year 1772, had trouble with a crew member and flogged him at the port of Tobago in the West Indies. After returning to England the sailor bitterly showed his wounds to many people, denouncing John Paul.

More Trouble

"Three months later the man died at sea on another vessel, but it was believed his death was a result of the flogging. John Paul had to obtain many affidavits to prove his innocence, but finally did so.

"Two years later, he had trouble again at Tobago with another sailor, and this time he killed him. There was no admiralty commission in Tobago at this time and this rendered John Paul's position very hazardous. The two incidents were heavy on Jones' conscience, and, afraid he would not receive justice, he went incognito for 20 months."

Henderson said he thinks he has discovered the name that Jones used but is waiting for further verification.

Medford Activians To Name Glad Queen

Five members of the Medford Active club are serving as a panel of judges to select the Queen of the Grants Pass Gladiolus Show being held there yesterday and today.

Activians who will select Queen Gladys this evening at the Grants Pass fairgrounds will be president Jack Cummings, Ray Huson, Russell DeForrest, Robert DeGroot and Bud Palmer. They attended the Monday meeting of the Grants Pass Active Club this week where they met the seven princesses, all 1953 graduates of the Grants Pass area, who are competing for the honor of being named Queen Gladys.

On The Side

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Why are there so many bachelors in Ireland? A young woman, a native of the County Cork, who is now a resident of Boston as the recent bride of an American, says, "reason so many Irishmen are bachelors is not because they are independent and don't want to marry. It is because they can't get a girl. The Irish girls prefer men of other countries for husbands. The average Irish bachelor is a rough, uncouth brute, who is self-centered and too fond of drinking and betting on dogs and horses."

Among the Married

Do you know a married couple with an all-daughter family who have been trying for a son? I know of a couple with seven daughters who desperately desire a son. In fact, the reason they have seven daughters is because, though they wanted to limit their offspring to four, they have been hoping for a son. Mary MacFadden, while the wife of Bernard MacFadden, bore him seven children. The first four were girls. The MacFaddens then decided to experiment with some ideas they had about pre-determination of sex. The experiments worked. The next three children were boys. So apparently it can be done.

Over There

Britain's cheapest family automobile is a three-wheeler. Price is approximately \$1,000, including tax. This car can do fifty-five miles an hour. Manufacturers claim it to be safer than a four-wheeler. Another interesting British car is a two-seater sports model that sells for approximately \$1,550. This vehicle is said to be "the cheapest 100 miles an hour car in the world." In tests, it has done as high as 124 mph. Reported to be a very sporty job. Most popular with the younger set.

Please Note

That passing on the right by autoists has never seemed a good idea to me. Too many motorists pass that way without sounding the horn in advance. In some states, it is still against the law. As for example, you can pass on the right in New York state but if you do so in Connecticut, and there is a traffic cop around, you will surely get a ticket that can cost you as much as \$50.

Asking

Queries from clients. Q. You refer to "Major Bill Corum." I thought he was a colonel. A. Bill holds the honorary title of Kentucky colonel but his rank, when in World War I, was major. In fact, he was the youngest major in the AEF, being only 24 at that time. Q. Where can I get that book by Hand on turf handicapping you referred to? A. Nina S. Hand's monumental work on handicapping is out of print. Very difficult to acquire. Copy

I had was borrowed from the Turt library of a friend.

Passing By

Mae West. The Brooklyn Bernhardt. She is going to portray Cleopatra on television. I am looking forward to it. Have seen many characterizations of Cleopatra but never one with a Brooklyn accent. Miss West in her TV series titled "Great Romances of History" will also play Priscilla. It should be a great moment in TV history when Mae, as Priscilla, coyly says to John Alden, "Why don't you come up and see me some time?"

Over 40

The tendency of many organizations is to refuse to employ men over 40. I think it is a mistake. The experience of such men should be taken advantage of. I have heard it claimed that the best salesmen and saleswomen are those over 40.

Handicapping

Running horses are handicapped by weight. How are harness horses handicapped? That is a query put to me. Harness horses are handicapped on the "scratch" system. The best horse starts far back of the others. Next best gets a little closer start. The equivalent of the light weight in a running race is permitted to start up in front. This system is still used at some harness tracks controlled by the mutual wagering machine industry. The bettors don't care for that type of handicapping. So, at most tracks, the harness horses are not handicapped at all. That is a dangerous situation and a threat to the honesty of the sport.

Foots Creek

Foots Creek — Mr. and Mrs. Frank Elliott, of Redding, Calif., who are visiting relatives in Medford and Gold Hill, called on friends here August 10.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Tomlinson and daughter Geraldine and son Garry have moved into the Tom White home.

Mr. and Mrs. White Echerdt returned last week from Lamar, Colo., where they attended the funeral of Mrs. Echerdt's brother.

Mr. and Mrs. James Shobar, and son Jim, of Elko, Nev. have leased the McManus property on the left fork of the creek. Mr. and Mrs. Shobers, and Mrs. P. W. Lane of the Foots Creek store were children together in Lamolite, Nev. They had not seen one another for 20 years.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Frantz and daughter Jeannie of Kingsville, Texas, are here on a thirty-day leave visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Frantz on the right fork of the creek, and Mr. and Mrs. Chester Jensen of Evans creek. Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Frantz gave a birthday dinner August 9 marking the 1st birthday of their granddaughter Jeannie.

Tom White of San Jose, Calif., who has been looking after his property here left for his home, August 10. He was accompanied as far as Redding by Mrs. Cora Taylor, who has been visiting her daughter and husband Mr. and Mrs. Charles McLallen.

Miss Joan Ford, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Delmer Mitchell has passed the civil service and is now employed in the record department at the Talmage State hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Moore and family of Creswell visited their grandmother, Mrs. Jacob Moore, here recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Russel Knox of Pomona, Calif., daughter and son spent the week end at the Wilson Rio Linda court on Foots Creek and Highway 99, and visited friends here and in Rogue River.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Robertson and son Doug and daughter Terry are spending a few days this week in and around Portland.

Tattoo Camouflages Ugly Birthmarks

Chicago — (U.P.) — Tattooing has been used effectively to camouflage ugly dark purple birthmarks, says a New York plastic surgeon.

Dr. Herbert Conway of the New York Hospital-Cornell Medical Center described the technique in the Journal of the American Medical Association.

A thick solution of natural skin color pigment is injected into the stained skin with an oscillating needle. Conway said an area of from four to five square inches may be treated in one hour by a skilled technician. He said he achieved an 83 per cent rate of satisfactory results in cases where dilated blood vessels which caused the birthmarks were beneath the inner skin or in the deeper part of the inner skin itself.

He said the technique does not work if the abnormal blood vessels are immediately beneath the outer layer of skin.

QUICK JUDGMENT

Hartford, Conn. — (U.P.) — After pleading guilty to a drunk charge, a man asked Judge S. Burr Leikind if he could address the court. The judge said "make it short." "I have a job to go to," the man replied. "Okay," said the judge. "Sentence suspended."



HOME DRAWS NEAR—As the first plane load of sick and wounded American war prisoners arrived in Honolulu, Marine Pfc. Alfred P. Graham Jr., Seattle, Wash., smiled as he was taken from plane to ambulance. Seventeen men are aboard the plane.

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MEDFORD (OREGON) MAIL TRIBUNE—THREE

Counterfeit Check Passed at Grocery

A counterfeit forged check with the name Pacific Machinery Co. printed on the top was passed in Medford yesterday, police records revealed. The check was not issued by Pacific Machinery and was apparently printed on a small home press, officers said.

Police said the New Ivy Market, 106 North Ivy st., cashed a check for \$67.33. This check, like a similar check previously passed at the Central Market, was signed with a rubber stamp and drawn on the Medford branch of the U. S. National bank.

The check is believed to have been passed by a woman who purchased \$3.50 worth of groceries. She was described as about 40, five feet eight inches tall, and weighing about 135 pounds. She had light brown hair and gave the impression of being a housewife, police records said. She was alone when the check was cashed.

This year is the three hundredth anniversary of the publication of Walton's "The Compleat Angler."

Westinghouse Coach Display Scheduled

A unique display coach will provide a combination stage, auditorium and exhibit hall for Westinghouse Electric Corporation "push-button" control equipment for industry here next week.

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NOT HANDICAPPED
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