



FRANKLIN P. ADAMS
Newspaper To Radio

F.P.A., Giant of American Humor, Taken by Death

New York—Franklin P. Adams, one of the all-time giants of American humor whose wit and knowledge dazzled two generations of newspaper readers and radio listeners, died Wednesday night at the age of 78 in a nursing home.

F.P.A.'s first column appeared in 1903 in the Chicago Journal. He soon moved to New York, started writing "The Conning Tower", and was widely syndicated into the 1940s. His charter membership in the "Information Please" radio panel introduced him to another audience in 1938.

He had entered the nursing home in 1955, and though he was visited often by such friends as John Kiernan, Clifton Fadiman and Oscar Levant, he did no more writing. Adams was equally at home in poetry, prose, wisecracks or literary criticism. He also was an avid baseball fan—a Giant fan—and his lament over a famed Chicago Cubs double play combination probably will be remembered as long as the game is played.

"These are the saddest of possible words: Tinker to Evers to Chance. Trio of bear Cubs and fleetest than birds, Tinker to Evers to Chance. Ruthlessly picking our gon-falon bubble. Making a Giant hit into a double—

Words that are heavy with nothing but trouble: Tinker to Evers to Chance." Journalism's a Shrew Adams left college after his freshman year at the University of Michigan and took a job as an insurance salesman, but he soon gave that up and started writing. Of the new career he wrote many years later:

"Journalism's a shrew and scold—I like her. She makes you sick, she makes you old—I like her."

He was married and divorced twice. He leaves four children by the second marriage: Anthony, Timothy, Persephone and Jonathan. A funeral service will be held Friday, and the body will be cremated.

Six Mile Sea Limit Proposed

Geneva—The United States formally proposed today that coastal states be given a six mile territorial sea limit and an additional six mile fishing zone which they would share with a limited number of other nations.

U. S. Delegate Arthur Dean presented the plan, which has unofficial British support, at the 84-nation Law of the Sea conference as America's solution for replacement of the obsolete three-mile territorial limit.

Dean said the outer-six mile zone for fishing would be shared with all nations whose fishing fleets have had "historical" access to it. He defined such access as five years continuous fishing immediately preceding Jan. 1, 1958.

Motherwell Jury Debating Penalty

Downieville, Calif. — A jury which convicted Larry Lord Motherwell of first degree murder met again today in an effort to break a deadlock over what price he should pay for the crime.

The jury of nine women and three men completed its second day of deliberations Wednesday, and reported to Judge Warren Steel that it was divided 8-4 on whether Motherwell should be executed or spend life in prison.

There was no indication what the majority favored.

If the jury fails to agree, the judge has no choice but to impose a sentence of life in prison.

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