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Overlooked

By FLOYD L. WYNNE

Everyone knows that February 12 is Lincoln's birthday, and they know that February 22 is Washington's birthday, but whose birthday is today, February 11?

I tried that out on several people, and not one could come up with the correct answer.

Well, the answer is another famous American who certainly contributed as much toward America today as did either Lincoln or Washington.

That American was Thomas Alva Edison.

Beginning with a telegraph repeater key at the age of 17, in 1864, Edison began a long illustrious career of inventions which numbered more than 1,200 patents at the time of his death in 1931.

All one has to do is review a long list of some of those inventions to realize what a tremendous contribution Edison made to our way of life.

Everyone recalls offhand that he invented the electric light, phonograph and motion pictures, but let's just enumerate some of the other items he is credited with inventing.

A typewriter which later became the Remington; district telegraph signal box; quadruple telegraph repeaters for simultaneous dispatch of several messages over a single wire; a device which later became the mimeograph; transmission developments for the Bell telephone.

The phonograph or talking machine; the electric dynamo, or separator, electric locomotive, valve gear, seven patents for electric transmission of power; railway signal system.

Process for making plate glass; kinetographic camera which made possible the first motion picture camera; composition brick; reversible galvanic batteries; compressing dies; photographic film for motion camera machine; apparatus for producing very thin sheet metal; process for constructing concrete buildings; starting and current supplying systems for autos.

Electric safety lanterns; the transmitter; receiving apparatus for radio sets with new methods for producing sound-record tablets. During his last years he was also experimenting with synthetic rubber.

In 1928, the United States Congress awarded Edison a Gold Medal, and placed a value of over 15 billion dollars on his inventive contributions to humanity.

He classified his genius as two per cent inspiration and 98 per cent perspiration.

A long way in a lifetime by a man who had little or no schooling, who went to work at the age of 12 and became a trainboy . . . but a spirit that was gifted with an inquiring bent, a spirit that certainly merits the undying gratitude and dedication to memory of all of us who today benefit from his tremendous gift of genius.

Thomas Alva Edison, who was born 112 years ago at Milan, Ohio. Let's remember next February 11 that it is Edison's birthday.

Water Hazard

By FLORENCE JENKINS

Last year a boy was drowned in the Clackamas River and his companion just barely made it to safety on a day when the water flow was accelerated.

An outgrowth of that tragedy was the drafting of Senate Bill 99 on which there will be a hearing before the Senate Commerce and Utilities Committee of the Oregon Legislature at 9 a.m. on Thursday. Klamath County's Senator Harry D. Boivin is chairman of the committee.

The bill, in untechnical language, provides that the state engineer can determine how much water can be released from a dam so that the amount released cannot result in fluctuation of water level which might constitute a hazard to life.

The hearing has local interest because the subject of Link River in Klamath Falls came up in addition to the Deschutes and Clackamas rivers.

The thinking behind including Link River in the scope of the state engineer's powers of regulation came from drownings in the past in Link River.

Flowing water is attractive to youngsters and fluctuations in the flow can constitute a hazard. Whether or not a hazardous condition exists in Link River remains to be determined. Also, it remains to be determined whether riparian rights that exist will permit the extension of the state engineer's powers to cover this stream.

Link River is not the shortest river in the world, but it still has the unusual claim to fame of being the only river completely within

in the borders of a municipality. Or, at least, that's the way it was told to us.

Poison

Klamath Falls (To The Editor) —I noticed in your paper that the poisoners are at it again. Well so be it! If they keep it up, they will no doubt get poisoned.

In the first place, from mice to elephants, all have a right to live. And, inasmuch as everything is directly related to some living people, it cannot fail.

The wild things of the forest help keep it clean; otherwise, they would smell badly and become impure.

There are some people who are not so lucky and do live or partly live from trapping.

The law is to live and let live. But, the opposition is to kill or be killed. Both are positive and absolute laws and cannot be beaten, largely because of the disease which impedes the mind and desire for revenge.

Another thing. The young who are picked up and tried for thievery are labelled so and maybe are not.

It is hard to tell what to do in some cases as there is inadequate employment and inadequate provision for all from old to young.

What we need is non-taxation or non-cost government, which would provide for all, or as many could be taken care of and that is a big job.

They have a right to steal as that is also a law and is provided for.

The trouble with your police law, is that the police don't know enough law.

Robert M. Newton
1317 Adams Street.

Battle Of Hats

By FRANK ELEAZER

WASHINGTON (UPI)—It's too bad the TV people don't shoot President Eisenhower's press conference in living color. In black and white you miss the glorious battle of the hats.

May Craig, of the Portland, Maine, Press Herald, other New England papers, and Sunday television, had on one Tuesday which could best be described as pink, although she may deny this.

Sarah McClendon, who represents Texas newspapers mostly and is always confounding Ike by identifying herself with a new one, wore a white thing that stood out amongst the bald heads and somber suits like a light-house on a beach. Even so, Ike shocked the entire assemblage by proving unable to see her.

His defective eyesight in Sarah's case provided about the only departure from the regular weekly script.

The conference begins at 10:30. The cast starts assembling outside Room 474 in the White House Office Building an hour beforehand. This is to get a good seat, up front where you can hear and see and, according to those who arrive late and have to sit in the back, to be seen by the TV cameras, which record the show from curtain to curtain.

About 10:15 everybody pushes into the unventilated old treaty room, where it is hot even in winter. The count Tuesday was 217, which meant that late comers like Mary McGory, who writes literary classics for the Washington Star, had to sit in the balcony with the visiting Boy Scouts.

At 10:30 a White House aide signals that Ike is approaching the side door. He enters, smiling, and all rise, just tardily enough to show we are respectful but know our rights. He says "good morning," but nobody takes this personally. Anyway, nobody ever

answers except maybe Eddie Follard, a gentleman from the Washington Post and Times Herald.

Then the ritual starts in earnest. Ike has a couple of things to offer, about how we all need John Foster Dulles, who is ill with hernia, and about his concern for St. Louis, which got hit by a tornado.

The wire service reporters, whose retiring nature and reluctance to exercise their priority in such matters is the talk of the press room, throw a few businesslike questions on Berlin, schools, or whatever the crisis happens to be. Then they graciously yield the floor to the special correspondents, a dozen of whom are on their feet waiting.

Sarah and May are up, of course. So is Edward P. Morgan, a broadcaster with heavy-rimmed glasses and iron gray temples who nightly takes a serious view of the news. His questions run along sociological lines, like whether Ike thinks a balanced budget more important than schools.

Columnist's Mail

By HAL BOYLE

NEW YORK (AP)—Things a columnist might never know if he didn't open his mail:

We now are at the peak of the virus season—but don't get excited! Some medical authorities believe that keeping calm and avoiding stress may help protect you from virus infections.

The cheetah, often called the fastest thing on four legs, can race twice as fast as the speediest man. This big cat can bound 100 yards in 4½ seconds.

Coffee, research at Yale University indicates, is a sexual stimulant to rats.

Ever hear of "The Library with a Heart"? It is the talking-book library of 2,800 titles—ranging from detective stories to the Bible—distributed by the American Foundation for the Blind. The Foundation has turned out more than seven million talking book records in the last 25 years.

Today's Hollywood joke: Actress Paula Hill says the goal of every starlet is to go from cheesecake to real dough.

Natives in the Belgian Congo take great pride in wearing glasses. If they can't afford a whole pair, they'll buy a frame without the lenses.

The late King Alfonso of Spain had perhaps the world's most unusual hobby. He liked to collect weapons seized from people plotting his assassination.

Never mistake the biggest for the best. An elephant has monstrous ears, but he can't hear sounds clearly audible to the tiny eared bat.

Castor oil, once the nation's most widely used laxative, now has a new role—in cutting down the toll of car accidents. It is used as a softening agent for foam plastics in automobile crash panels.

Mother nature is the master architect. She gave birds light hollow bones to make it easier for them to fly. Example: A five-foot pelican weighing 25 pounds has a skeleton that weighs only 25 ounces.

Long before Alcoholics Anonymous, people wore a wine-colored amethyst to keep them sober. The name of the gem means "not drunken," and it was reputed to ward off intoxication. Another remedy is to buy your wife diamonds. Then you can't afford liquor.

Comic George De Witt gives this definition of a dull education: "What you get in a household containing teen-age children."

The task of turning sea water into fresh water cheaply has baffled man since the time of

Aristotle. Queen Elizabeth I of England, who wanted her fleet to be able to stay at sea for months, had a standing offer of \$28,000 to anyone who could make the ocean potable at a low cost.

One reason the fight game is short of recruits is that only two states, Idaho and Oregon, permit boxing in high school. But intercollegiate wrestling is popular in several states.

Scientists have found the human eye can distinguish 100,000 colors. The ones it has the most trouble with are the three found in traffic lights.

It was Frank Moore Colby who observed, "I have found some of the best reasons I ever had for remaining at the bottom simply by looking at the men at the top."

Stock Market

By SAM DAWSON

AP Business News Analyst
NEW YORK (AP)—The ups and downs of the stock market command more attention today as the business recovery teeters on the edge of another possible boom to be sparked perhaps by new inflation.

The market may mirror each day's quota of news. But in the background are some cold statistics about the market itself.

Prices of many stocks rose to record highs before the business recovery really got off the ground. The average yield on the dividend-paying common stocks listed on the big board dropped to the second lowest figure since 1940 when the statistics were first compiled by the New York Stock Exchange.

For the first time in 12 years, cash dividends paid on listed common stocks failed to set a new annual high. The majority of companies are reporting earnings lower than in 1957, despite some notable rebounds in the final months of 1958.

This might have sparked more interest in bonds, government and corporate, that yield as much or more. But it didn't. The Treasury learned this to its sorrow when holders of two billion dollars worth of maturing government securities demanded cash instead of the new offerings.

The long rise in stock prices and the cutbacks in dividends, or their omission altogether, have combined to cause the notable drop in stock yields.

The average yield of the 961 stocks that did pay dividends dropped to 4.1 per cent at the end of 1958, the exchange magazine reports. This was the lowest since the end of 1945, when it was 3.6 per cent, the only time in the 16 years of official records it has slipped below 4 per cent.

At the start of this year there were 94 stock issues paying less than 2 per cent, compared with 27 a year earlier. Only 4 yielded 10 per cent or more, against 79 a year before.

Yield is figured by dividing a stock's market price by the total of cash dividends paid on it in the preceding 12 months.

Of the 1,086 common issues listed at year-end, 961 paid one or more cash dividends—317 larger ones, 410 the same amount, and 269 less.

Total payments came to \$3,711,482,860. This is a drop of \$85,779,470 from 1957, or a decline of one per cent.

MIAMI, Fla.—Detective Marion Murrah, on the conduct of two gunmen who robbed a jewelry store of jewels valued at \$250,000: "At least they were gentlemen about the whole thing."

MADISON, Wis.—Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt, on educational differences between the United States and Russia:

"You cannot compare our educational system with theirs. The aim of theirs is to produce people who are completely amenable to the Communist way of life. The aim of ours is to teach people to think for themselves."

COLUMBUS, Ohio—George P. Vierheller, director of the St. Louis Zoo, on chimpanzees as drivers:

"They are very accurate in their timing . . . sometimes more accurate than people."

WASHINGTON—Mrs. James C. Parker of Grand Rapids, Mich., president of the National Congress of Parents and Teachers:

"If the current cult of comfort and security continues to undermine the ideals of hard endeavor, the school will find it well-nigh impossible to inspire in youth a commitment to a purpose beyond self-gratification."

They'll Do It Every Time

By Jimmy Hatlo



Coach Begins Second Leg

SCAPPOOSE, Ore. (AP)—Two stagecoaches and some 45 mounted guards leave here this morning on the second leg of their Centennial mail run to Astoria.

The coaches are loaded with letters to be mailed at Astoria Saturday when a special stamp—honoring Oregon's 100th year as a state—will be put on sale.

The coaches and riders left Portland early Tuesday morning. They got started 10 minutes ahead of schedule and Portland Mayor Terry Schunk and a number of other dignitaries missed out on the departure ceremonies.

But the riders made up for that when they arrived at this river town—some 25 miles from Portland—late in the afternoon.

The town's main street was decorated with teepees and a big barbecue dinner was set up in city hall grounds.

The next stop on the trip is Rainier this afternoon. Then on Thursday the riders will camp outside Astoria. On Friday, the coaches and riders will roll into

FBI Arrests Fugitive Aider

PORTLAND (AP)—The FBI Tuesday announced the arrest of a man charged with harboring one of the nation's ten-most-wanted fugitives.

An FBI spokesman said Melvin L. Thornton, 21, Brooklyn, was charged with concealing David L. Thurston.

Thurston got on the FBI's most wanted list after escaping from the courthouse corridor in Portland last year—moments after being sentenced to 10 years in prison.

Thurston was captured in New York last Friday after trying to hold up a Manhattan Restaurant, the FBI said.

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Caryl Fires New Volley

SAN FRANCISCO (UPI)—Convicted-author Caryl Chessman has fired another volley in his 10-year battle to escape the gas chamber at San Quentin Prison.

Chessman, condemned for kidnapping and rape under California's Little Lindbergh Law, Monday filed a supplementary brief with the California Supreme Court, which now is considering his case.

The brief charged that California and its courts were deliberately stalling in the settling of his case.

The issue is, Chessman said, "whether California may subject the appellant to more months and years of an unprecedented hellish ordeal."

He referred to himself as "the tortured 11-year's sport of California administration and its system of gas chamber justice."

For one example, Chessman complained that Deputy Attorney Arlo E. Smith had obtained several improper delays in the filing of a brief, supposedly because "of the stress of business."

Smith told newsmen delays were not unusual and charged that Chessman was "playing both ends against the middle."

Smith asserted that Chessman was complaining about delays—and at the same time, delaying in his legal maneuvers.

Birthplace of Gilbert Stuart, noted painter of portraits of George Washington, is near Wickford, Rhode Island. Still operating on the lower floor of the ancient house is a water-powered snuff mill.

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