

'Jitterbug Diet'



January, Month For Celebrities

Do you have a birthday on January 17, 19, 21, or 30? If so, you share it with Benjamin Franklin, Robert E. Lee, Stonewall Jackson, or F. D. Roosevelt, depending upon the date.

Benjamin Franklin first saw light on January 17. This "apostle of modern times" was a writer, publisher, humorist, educator, politician, scientist, inventor, and philosopher. There will probably never be another to match the contributions to the United States of the "first civilized American."

January 19 brought Robert E. Lee, a Southern gentleman who became a college president. He was also probably the greatest military expert to ever graduate from West Point.

Stonewall Jackson's birth occurred on a January 21. This Southerner was a devoutly religious man, who also was a great general in the Confederate Army.

January 30, Franklin D. Roosevelt was a precedent-breaking leader, shown by his four terms as president and also his stint as New York's governor. Here was a man who, despite his handicap, led his nation through the greatest depression and also the bloodiest war in its history.

You with these birthdays have a lot to live up to: but if you do your best, as they did, who knows? History might record your name.

Help Salk Lick Polio

"It's a good thing that Dr. Jonas Salk invented the vaccine because now, everybody will be cured.

Polio used to remind me of a pitiful sight—that of a hospital room filled with many people of all kinds; but now, because of the vaccine, everybody will get well completely!"

If this is your opinion you share a misconception with millions. Last year for the eighth straight year, polio took in a bumper crop. One of the alarming things about this is the fact that three of four of those stricken are nineteen years old or younger, which is just the age of last year's seniors on down!

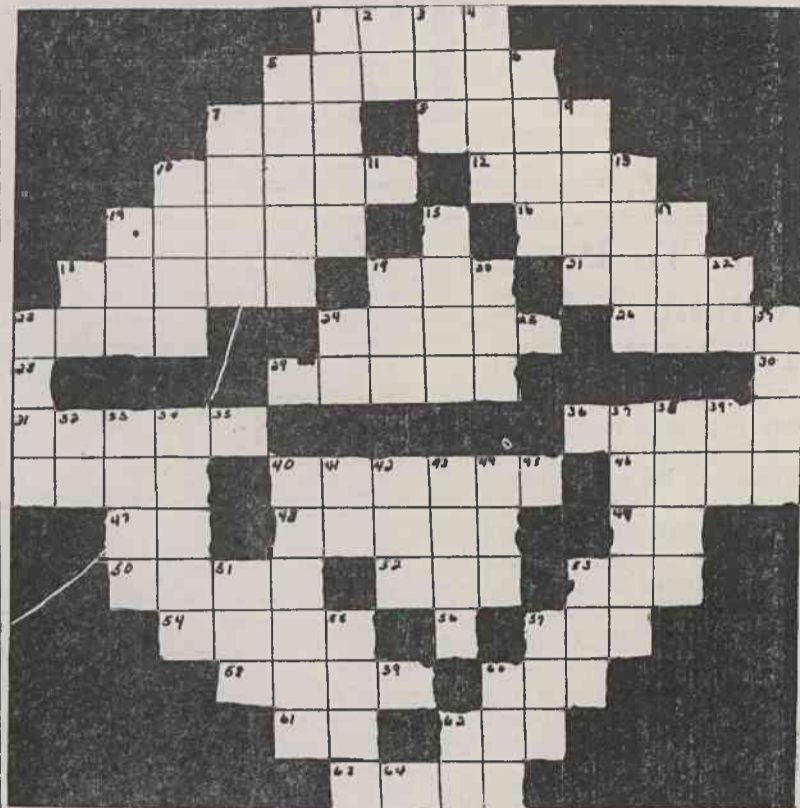
That's right! It could be any one of us next, and the question is, "What can we as individuals do. Nothing alone, but we, the public, as a body, can give often and generously, and we, the public, can lick polio for good!"

Lovable Quidnunc Impetuous Jackal? Which Are You?

If you'd like to find out what kind of person you really are, here's a way to do it and have fun at the same time.

In column "A" pick the letter that begins with your first name and in "B" do the same with your last name. Combine them, and — there you are!

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| -A- | -B- |
| A-dorable | A-pe |
| B-eautiful | B-arbarain |
| C-heerful | C-hild |
| D-arling | D-rone |
| E-rroneous | E-gotist |
| F-abulous | F-arce |
| G-loomy | G-houl |
| H-uge | H-othead |
| I-mpetuous | I-guana |
| J-olly | J-ackal |
| K-notty | K-leptomaniac |
| L-ovable | L-oafer |
| M-agnificent | M-agpie |
| N-aughty | N-amby-Pamby |
| O-bscure | O-utlaw |
| P-essimistic | P-olitician |
| Q-uizzical | Q-uidnunc |
| R-eckless | R-enegade |
| S-loppy | S-atyr |
| T-antalizing | T-yro |
| U-nique | U-nicorn |
| V-ivacious | V-ampire |
| W-eak | W-olf |
| X-yloid | X-erophyte |
| Y-oung | Y-ak |
| Z-oooidal | Z-oril |



Across

1- To give up 5- A waiter's assistant 7- French word for yes 8- smallest particle of matter 10- To overturn 12- A wide mouthed pitcher or jug 14- To refine ore 15- 6th letter of Arabic alphabet 16- To gaze sinisterly or slyly 18- Something in a circle 19- The thing railroad tracks lay on 21- An undercover agreement 23- Material for good hats 24- highest male voice 26- Materials used to change colors 28- Fifth letter of alphabet 29- Money paid for violations 29- Fifth letter of Arabic alphabet 31- To rub or scrape out 36- To evade 40- 40 weekdays before Easter 41- A person that labors

Down

47- In the midst of 48- A negative reply 49- Something having no power to move 50- 7th note of musical scale 51- Suffix meaning the nature of 53- A flat-bottomed ferryboat 54- 2nd note of musical scale 55- Abbreviation for preparatory 57- 25th letter of alphabet 58- An automobile 59- A genus of tree or shrub (Page 1697 in Webster's) 60- To "bang" on a door 61- Old method of printing the article 'the' 62- a large vessel or barrel 63- An idea

'To The Scales'

Sheet Lists 'Sixteen Tons'

While browsing through a record shop the other day, I came upon a sheet which listed the songs according to their popularity across the nation; and what do you suppose I found at the top? — "Sixteen Tons" by Tennessee Ernie no less!

Not that I have anything against the song or the singer personally, but as pop tunes go, that one has had a comparatively long life. As the politicians say, "It's time for a change."

With the help of some of my associates, "Gallupites," we took it upon ourselves to compile the list of records which we consider to be most popular in this neck of the woods.

"Autumn Leaves" by Roger Williams took, with ease, the number seven spot (It's going, going, but

not quite gone.) and for the wild people of the area, we chose "Satisfied Mind" by Red Foley as the sixth-spotter this time.

In the number five slot, we chose a real touching little ditty by Mr. Laine himself. — yep, you guessed it — "A Woman In Love." And by an up and coming group, the Four Coins, "Memories of You," pushed its way into fourth place.

In the numbers three and two boxes are "Moments to Remember" by the Four Lads and by the Platters is "The Great Pretender."

You needn't guess what we put as the number one song across the classroom, because we are going to tell you. (Did it hurt?) Yes, "Memories Are Made of This" by Dean Martin. We hope you agree!?!

Students Furnish Cases For Local Traffic Court

In the past several weeks, there has been an alarming increase in the number of high school students called to the local court to pay fines for either speeding, reckless driving, or some other offense in connection with automobiles.

The reason for this can be one of three things. The police and their devices are getting smarter and in turn catching more law-breakers, or there are more offenses in more obvious places, or the reason can be a combination of both. The latter is probably the situation. Although the law en-

forcement officers are getting more "on the ball," students are getting quicker and slier with their foolery.

There is no question about it; this must stop! Teenagers insist on showing off, it seems, no matter what circumstances may be awaiting them.

There are two ways this can be halted. Several years ago, a wreck involving high school students sobered the majority of local teenagers for a while. This is one way out, and then there is always the life saver known as co-operation.

Which will it be? Giving up childhood antics and co-operating or tragedy?

Ed. Note: To give Mrs. T. D. Young, the adviser of The Blackbird, a chance to evaluate the work of the senior members of the staff, those listed on the right are being given their exams — these six pages. The business manager is in charge of page one, while, of course, the editor handles this page.



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