

**WILL MARK SITE OF AARON BURR'S PLOT**

**Blennerhasset Island to Be Site of Memorial.**

Chicago.—Historic Blennerhasset Island in the Ohio river, rich in early American lore, is to be converted into a park as the fulfillment of a lifelong ambition.

Amos Kilgore Gordon, Standard Oil official, who roamed the island 50 years ago as a boy, recently added the remainder of the island to the 40-acre farm that had been in possession of his family since 1827, says the Chicago Tribune.

Gordon said the historical traditions of the island interested him when he was a boy. Largest and most fertile in the Ohio river, the island became the home of Harmon Blennerhasset, wealthy Irish immigrant who came to America in 1797 to escape the turmoil in Ireland. Blennerhasset's became far-famed as a "paradise in the Ohio."

**Burr Visited Island.**  
It was there that Aaron Burr in 1806, just out of office as Vice President of the United States, met Blennerhasset and interested him in a scheme for creating an empire in the West.

Blennerhasset, tired of scholarly seclusion at his retreat, joined the conspiracy. He furnished boats and provisions for an expedition and traveled with Burr in the South and West attempted to raise a following.

But disaster soon overtook the expedition. In 1806 President Thomas Jefferson issued a warning to citizens against Burr's designs and demanded that he be brought to justice.

In December of the same year, Cowles Mead, secretary of the Mississippi territory, issued a proclamation for the arrest of the conspirators.

Blennerhasset, financially ruined, sought refuge in one place and then another. Finally, despairing of repairing his fortunes in this country, he went to Montreal, then to England and finally to the island of Guernsey, where he died in 1831.

**Noted for Beauty.**  
In 1827, Gordon's grandfather, George Neal, Jr., bought 140 acres on the island when the Blennerhasset estate was settled. Recently, at Parkersburg, W. Va., Gordon purchased the remaining acres on the island.

During the Civil war the island alternately was in the hands of Union and Confederate soldiers. A large hollow sycamore tree, estimated to be 400 years old, was used by soldiers in hiding.

Even in Colonial days, when George Washington surveyed land in the vicinity and patented a farm nearby, in what was called "Washington's bottoms," the island was a noted beauty spot.

Essentially, Gordon says, it is the same today, and when cleared will be a noteworthy landmark of early American development. He plans to open the park to visitors.

**To Hunt for Gold Table Aboard Sunken Galleon**

La Plata, Mo.—Two Missourians are planning a trip in search of a 3,800-pound gold table which they believe was aboard a galleon reported to have been sunk in the Caribbean sea about four centuries ago.

Lester Dent, fiction writer, and Kenneth Stem will sail in Dent's 50-foot schooner, in which the owner made a similar trip several years ago.

The story on which they base their hope for recovery of \$1,500,000 in gold is that the Spanish governor of Cuba,

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called back to Spain to answer charges of plotting against Christopher Columbus, took all the gold available and had it cast into a table, which he took on board his ship.

Dent believes the boat on which the governor sailed sunk in shallow water off a small coral island.

If the expedition fails, Dent plans to go to Honduras to search for Inca silver.

**Taunts of Girls Cause 50 Murders in Kenya**

Nairobi, Kenya Colony.—The taunts of native girls, who tell their admirers first to get blood on their spears before courting, has been responsible for 50 murders in the Samburu district in recent months, headmen told a British officer sent to investigate.

The only solution, headmen said, was to "marry them off young." But early marriage is forbidden by the age-grade law, called Ikkleko.

The officer left 15 policemen, to be supported by the headmen, until the murderers are produced. As the headmen's annual incomes average \$15, swift justice is expected.

**Duckbill Platypus Brings Owner Fame**

Washington—Ellis S. Joseph, 300-pound dealer in strange and rare animals, is famed as the only man who ever brought a duck-bill platypus into captivity.

Aside from this, Joseph once presented an Australian city with the largest chimpanzee in captivity, knows every corner of the earth by heart, and virtually can name every animal that inhabits them.

He has walked from one coast of Africa to the other collecting animals and reptiles.

Born in Bombay and educated in China, Joseph is an Australian citizen.

**SKULL MAY REVEAL AGE-OLD MYSTERY**

**Secret of Easter Island Is Believed Found.**

San Francisco.—Few who boarded the little Chilean naval tanker Maipo after her arrival from Valparaiso on an annual training cruise realized that her drab outline probably contains the long-sought secret of Easter Island, lonely volcanic islet 2,000 miles west of Chile.

The Maipo made a six-day stop at Easter Island en route north, and by a rare stroke of fortune a group of her officers found, they believe, what archeologists have been searching for the past century—graves and remains of the ancient race that dwelt there long before dawn of the present civilization.

The ancient cemetery was found atop the crater of Rana Roroka, sacred volcano, from the gray lava of which were carved the huge stone images, or Moahis which ring the southeast side of the island.

The Malpo's officers brought aboard several skulls, which are being carefully preserved for transport to Chile.

Both Lieut. Exequiel Rodriguez, an expert on Easter Island lore, and the ship's surgeon, Dr. Hugo Vicuna, declare the skulls are those of a race entirely removed from the 382 Polynesians now living on the island.

Rodriguez also disclosed that in the past few months a French expedition, which has been excavating on Easter, found inscription rocks with ideographs almost identical to the similar picture-language of a contemporary Indo civilization of southern Asia.

Stanford professor of psychology. If the object of your affections happens to be a modern up-to-date young woman with a thorough knowledge of the latest tendencies of medical science she may think you are merely suffering from heart trouble.

Instead, whatever gymnastics you feel impelled to perform, concentrate them on the region of the pituitary gland at the base of the skull, says Doctor Stone.

The heart may get a little kick out of being in love, he says, with a manifestation of increased blood action, but the real impulses of the emotions of courtship, marriage and love come from the pituitary gland.

Even the increased heart action, he says, is probably due only to the increased secretions of the pituitary gland, and this is what has caused the world in the past to think it was the heart that was responsible for the whole affair.

**Calls Role of Heart in Affection a Minor One**

Palo Alto, Calif.—If you are in love and want to demonstrate it to the beloved one don't make a melodramatic clutch with both hands at the region of your heart, advises Dr. Calvin P. Stone,

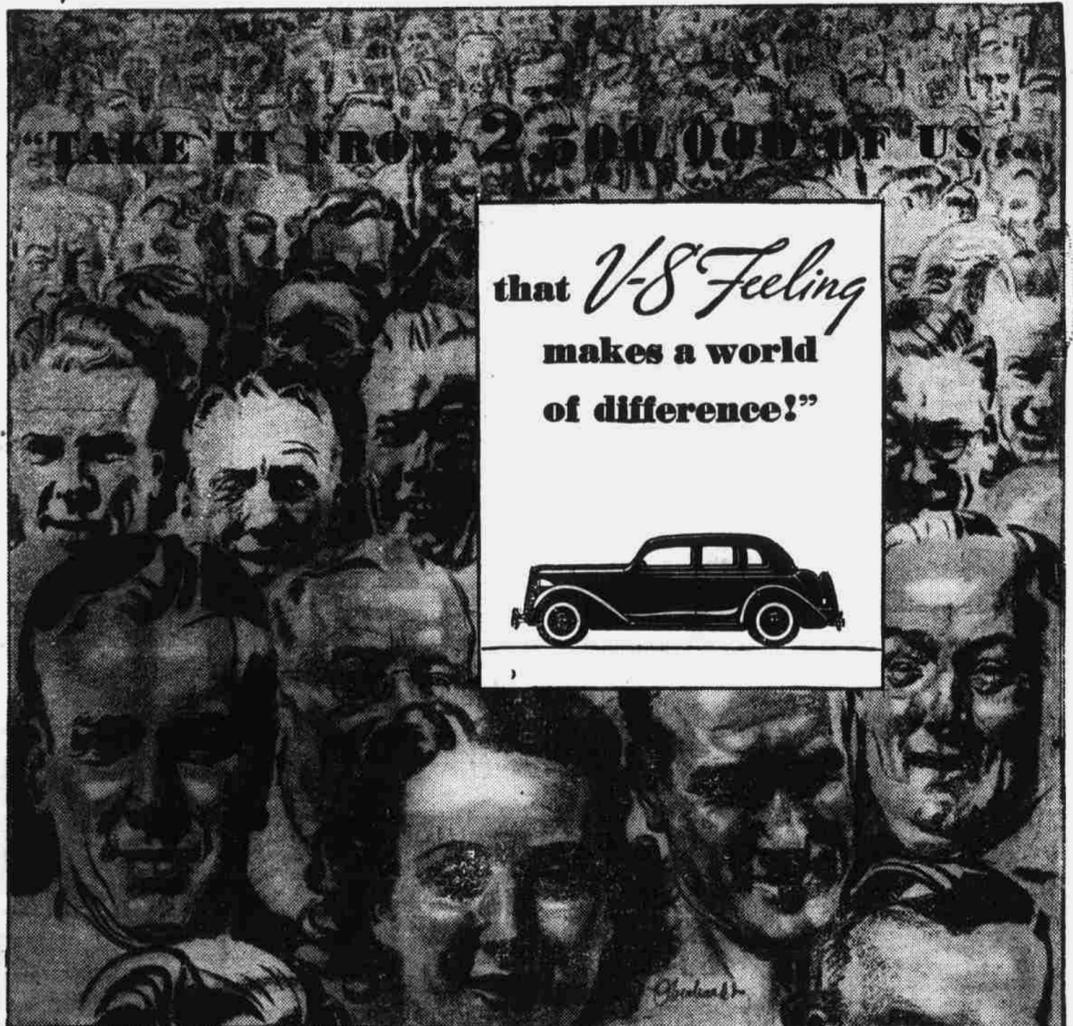
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