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NEW YEAR'S DAY, 1911

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PRESIDENT TAFT NOTES BIRTH OF LILY FISHER



NEWS OF ARRIVAL REACHES WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON (AP) - The President of the United States, William H. Taft, proclaimed that today be a day of national celebration, heralding the birth of Lily Fisher on Sunday, Jan. 1, 1911.

The White House sent a bouquet of carnations, the flower for the month of January, to the family.

NEWS AROUND THE WORLD Making Headlines In 1911



- USA And Japan Sign Trade Treaty
- Italy Declares War On Turkey
- Russian Premier Stolypin Assassinated
- China Is Torn By Revolution
- Automobile Self-Starter Is Invented

Chinese Celebrate Year of the Dog



CHINATOWN - It only seems natural that the birth of Lily Fisher might be a cause for great joy in the Chinese community.

After all, this lucky person was born during the Chinese Lunar year of 4,578, the year of the Dog, a very auspicious year! Persons born in this year are said to be loyal, honest and generous.

Today's fortune cookie says, "Helping A Friend Now Is The Key!"



Music, Music, Music The Top Hits of '11

What a year it has been for the music industry! With hit songs like "There's A Dixie Girl Who's Longing For A Yankee Doodle Boy," and "If Every Hour Were A Day," success was assured. Who could forget the enchanting melody of "Can't You Take It Back And Change It For A Boy?," or stop humming, "All The World Loves A Lover," one of the year's most popular songs? Yes, the tunes of 1911 will remain in our hearts for a long time to come.

Celebrities Share Jan 1st Birthday

January 1st seems to be a popular day to be born, at least according to the impressive list of rich and famous people born on that day! Also born this date are Xavier Cugat, Dana Andrews, Don Novello, Frank Langella, Nancy Lopez, and Paul Revere.

It's interesting to note that as of Thursday, Jan. 1, 2009, Lily will have been alive for 35,795 days!

Athletics Win 1911 World Series

PHILADELPHIA - It was celebration time in Philadelphia as the Athletics captured the 1911 world title. It was a hard loss for the New York Giants of the National League, as the American League team took the series four games to two.



Congress Debates Consumer Prices

CAPITOL HILL (UPI) - Heated discussion marked the House floor today as Congress debated the state of consumer prices. Many congressmen complained that the average American just can't afford a new house at today's price of \$4,190.00.

Split along party lines, many Republicans felt that seventeen cents for a half gallon of milk was a solid consumer bargain, while Democrats pointed out that twenty-five cents for a pound of bacon was too expensive for many. Since the average U.S. worker now earns a record annual wage of \$629.00, many members of the House felt that five cents for a loaf of bread was quite affordable.

Vice-President James S. Sherman noted that while ten pounds of potatoes had risen to twenty-two cents, he said that the American public had, in 1911, more buying power than ever before.

Astronomers Note Waxing Crescent Moon

U.S. NAVAL OBSERVATORY - Heralding the birth of Lily Fisher was the waxing crescent moon. Because Lily was also born during the month of January, this moon is also known as a so-called "Wolf Moon".

Today, Sunday, the Moon appears to be partly but less than one-half illuminated by direct sunlight. The fraction of the Moon's disk that is illuminated is increasing. This Moon can be seen after the New Moon, but before the First Quarter Moon. The crescent will grow larger and larger every day, until the moon looks like the First Quarter Moon.