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CHINESE REGIME BECOMES A REPUBLIC

PRESIDENT TAFT NOTES BIRTH OF VICTOR JOHNSON



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 Victor Johnson on Monday, Jan. 1, 1912.

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

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, Victor will have been alive for 35,430 days!

Red Sox Win 1912 World Series

BOSTON - It was celebration time in Boston as the Red Sox captured the 1912 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 three.



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 \$4,160.00.

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-four cents for a pound of bacon was too expensive for many. Since the average U.S. worker now earns a record annual wage of \$646.00, 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 1912, more buying power than ever before.



NEWS AROUND THE WORLD Making Headlines In 1912

- New Mexico Becomes 47th State Of USA
- Roosevelt Wounded In Attempt On Life
- U.S. Marines Land In Cuba
- Titanic Sinks - 1500 Are Drowned
- Albania Becomes Independent

Chinese Celebrate Year of the Pig

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

After all, this lucky person was born during the Chinese Lunar year of 4,579, the year of the Pig, a very auspicious year! Persons born in this year are said to be noble, friendly and chivalrous.

Today's fortune cookie says, "It Is Easy To Confuse Love And Infatuation!"



Music, Music, Music The Top Hits of '12

What a year it has been for the music industry! With hit songs like "Oh, You Million Dollar Baby," and "The Ragtime Soldier Man," success was assured. Who could forget the enchanting melody of "Dear Old Rose," or stop humming, "That Old Girl Of Mine," one of the year's most popular songs? Yes, the tunes of 1912 will remain in our hearts for a long time to come.

Astronomers Note Full Moon

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

Today, Monday, the Moon's illuminated side is facing the Earth. The Moon appears to be completely illuminated by direct sunlight. The lighted side of the Moon faces the Earth. This means that the Earth, Sun, and Moon are nearly in a straight line, with the Earth in the middle. The Moon that we see is very bright from the sunlight reflecting off it.