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Lenin And Trotsky Form Red Army; Assembly Dissolved

PRESIDENT WILSON NOTES BIRTH OF MARY JONES



NEWS OF ARRIVAL REACHES WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON (AP) - The President of the United States, Woodrow Wilson, proclaimed that today be a day of national celebration, heralding the birth of Mary Jones on Tuesday, Jan. 1, 1918.

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, Mary will have been alive for 33,238 days!

Red Sox Win 1918 World Series

BOSTON - It was celebration time in Boston as the Red Sox captured the 1918 world title. It was a hard loss for the Chicago Cubs 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 \$4,821.00.

Split along party lines, many Republicans felt that twenty-nine cents for a half gallon of milk was a solid consumer bargain, while Democrats pointed out that fifty-three cents for a pound of bacon was too expensive for many. Since the average U.S. worker now earns a record annual wage of \$1,115.00, many members of the House felt that ten cents for a loaf of bread was quite affordable.

Vice-President Thomas R. Marshall noted that while ten pounds of potatoes had risen to thirty-two cents, he said that the American public had, in 1918, more buying power than ever before.



NEWS AROUND THE WORLD Making Headlines In 1918

- World War I Ends
- Austrian Emperor Karl Abdicates
- Germans Gas Americans
- Poland Is Declared A Republic
- Iceland Becomes A Sovereign State

Chinese Celebrate Year of the Snake

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

After all, this lucky person was born during the Chinese Lunar year of 4,585, the year of the Snake, a very auspicious year! Persons born in this year are said to be wise, intense and high-tempered.

Today's fortune cookie says, "Learn To Forgive And Forget!"



Music, Music, Music The Top Hits of '18

What a year it has been for the music industry! With hit songs like "The Daughter Of Rosie O'Grady," and "With All My Heart And Soul," success was assured. Who could forget the enchanting melody of "God Bless America," or stop humming, "Every Day Will Be Sunday When The Town Goes Dry," one of the year's most popular songs? Yes, the tunes of 1918 will remain in our hearts for a long time to come.

Astronomers Note Waning Gibbous Moon

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

Today, Tuesday, the Moon appears to be more than one-half but not fully illuminated by direct sunlight. The fraction of the Moon's disk that is illuminated is decreasing. This Moon can be seen after the Full Moon, but before the Last Quarter Moon. The amount of the Moon that we can see will grow smaller and smaller every day. (Waning means decreasing, or growing smaller.)