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Bombs Saturate Berlin; Plane Plants Hit

PRES. ROOSEVELT NOTES BIRTH OF JESSICA THOMPSON



NEWS OF ARRIVAL REACHES WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON (AP) - The President of the United States, Franklin D. Roosevelt, proclaimed that today be a day of national celebration, heralding the birth of Jessica Thompson on Saturday, Jan. 1, 1944. 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 1944



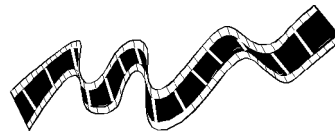
- World War Two Continues
- D-Day, Allied Forces Land In Normandy
- Attempted Assassination Of Hitler Fails
- Germans Launch V2 Rockets At Britain
- USA Fleet Defeats Japanese Fleets

The 17th Annual Academy Awards

"May I Have The Envelope, Please?"

HOLLYWOOD (TBC) - It was the stars' night out as The Academy of Motion Picture Arts & Sciences honored the industry's finest. The most eagerly awaited award of the evening was Best Picture of 1944, won by "Going My Way."

Best Actor honors went to Bing Crosby, and Ingrid Bergman took center stage for Best Actress. Rounding out the evening's ceremony was the Oscar for Best Song, captured by "Swinging On A Star".



Music, Music, Music The Top Hits of '44

What a year it has been for the music industry! With hit songs like "Please No Squeeza Da Banana," and "Accentuate The Positive," success was assured. Who could forget the enchanting melody of "I'll Be Seeing You," or stop humming, "Sentimental Journey," one of the year's most popular songs? Yes, the tunes of 1944 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, Jessica will have been alive for 23,742 days!

Cardinals Win 1944 World Series

ST. LOUIS - It was celebration time in St. Louis as the Cardinals captured the 1944 world title. It was a hard loss for the St. Louis Browns of the American League, as the National 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 \$8,649.00.

Split along party lines, many Republicans felt that thirty-one cents for a half gallon of milk was a solid consumer bargain, while Democrats pointed out that forty-one cents for a pound of bacon was too expensive for many. Since the average U.S. worker now earns a record annual wage of \$2,387.00, many members of the House felt that nine cents for a loaf of bread was quite affordable.

Vice-President Henry A. Wallace noted that while ten pounds of potatoes had risen to forty-seven cents, he said that the American public had, in 1944, more buying power than ever before.

Chinese Celebrate Year of The Sheep

CHINATOWN - It only seems natural that the birth of Jessica Thompson might be cause for great joy in the Chinese community. After all, this lucky person was born during the Chinese Lunar Year 4,611, the year of the Sheep, a very auspicious year!

Persons born in this year are said to be elegant, creative and timid. Today's fortune cookie says, "Keep Your Secrets Better!"

