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Observe Birth Of Top U.S. Speller 200th Anniversary For Noah Webster

WASHINGTON (UPI) — The Library of Congress is celebrating the 200th anniversary of the birth of the nation's most famous spell-caster—Noah Webster.

Webster was born Oct. 16, 1758. By the time he died in 1843 the phrase "Webster says" ended any argument over how to spell a word in these United States.

He wrote the first edition of his spelling book in 1783. By 1890 Americans had bought 60 million copies of the book in its various editions. (The U. S. population in 1890 was 62,900,000.)

The Library of Congress is making its bow to the great speller with a prominent display of first editions of his spelling book, dictionaries and related works. Even a casual perusal shows Webster offered Americans their money's worth.

A 1790 second edition of the speller added a long list of maxims including:

"Hot love is soon cold."
"Give an inch and take an ell."
(about 45 inches.)

"When wine is in, wit is out."
Then came Webster's "compendious dictionary" in 1806 offering more than 400 pages of words and definitions including:

"Silk—the produce of worms; luxury—excess in eating, dress or pleasure; sex—the distinction between male and female (no details); rum—ardent spirit." (Gin, a popular beverage in certain quarters of London, didn't get a mention.)

Finally Webster, in an apparently more devil-may-care mood,

published his huge two volume "American Dictionary" in 1828. Along with the greatly expanded definitions and many new words, it included:

"Silk—fine soft thread produced by the insect called the silkworm."
"Luxury—anything delightful to the senses."

"Sex—the distinction between male and female. The male sex is usually characterized by muscular strength, boldness and firmness. The female is characterized by softness, sensibility and modesty."

"Rum—(he gave a recipe for making it.)"
Gin still didn't get a line.

Early Showdown In Court For Teamsters Showdown Between Hoffa And Monitors

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Battle lines were drawn today for an early courtroom showdown between Teamsters' boss James R. Hoffa and the monitors named to clean out corruption in his big union.

Federal Judge F. Dickinson Letts was expected to set a hearing date soon for arguments on whether Hoffa legally holds his \$50,000-a-year job.

Hoffa's representative on the "watchdog" panel—monitor L. N. D. Wells Jr.—Wednesday attacked the monitors' majority for suggesting a compromise decree allowing Hoffa to take office may be invalid.

The union seemed sure to follow the line laid down by Wells in urging Letts to rule his court decree, which also established the three-man board of monitors to check on Hoffa's regime, was lawful.

Monitor chairman Martin F. O'Donoghue and member Godfrey P. Schmidt questioned whether the agreement last winter which resulted in creation of the monitors and the end of a suit challenging Hoffa's election was valid since the general membership of the 1,500,000-member union was not consulted.

Letts was expected to hold a hearing on the majority request in about two weeks.

Wells' dissent said the formal agreement which ended the suit of 13 rank-and-file Teamsters against Hoffa's taking office had wide press, radio and television coverage. In addition, he said, a summary of Letts' decree in the case was printed in the union magazine.

He said not a single Teamsters member has come forward since the decree to ask that it be changed.

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Gambling Syndicate Members To Court Eight Indicted By Federal Grand Jury

INDIANAPOLIS (UPI) — Eight men indicted in an international gambling syndicate pleaded innocent in Federal Court today to charges they evaded U. S. gambling taxes in an enterprise the government believes produced \$3,500,000 revenue in 10 weeks last fall.

Federal Judge Cale J. Holder granted defense counsel's plea for a delay until Nov. 3 in the deadline for filing preliminary motions, despite District Attorney Don Tabbert's opposition on grounds the lawyers had enough time since the indictments were returned Aug. 25.

Holder said the trial, scheduled for Terre Haute, will not start until about next February.

Defense Attorney Richard Gorman of Chicago said the attorneys plan to "file every motion in the book" but Holder warned against unnecessary delays and said "each brings you adverse publicity and more problems."

The men were charged with failure to buy \$50 federal gambling tax stamps and failure to pay 10 per cent tax on gross receipts which the government said poured into a syndicate headquarters above a Terre Haute restaurant last fall.

The receipts, the government charged, were mostly big bets placed on college football games by wealthy bettors from all around the country.

The eight men charged are Charles L. (Buck) Sumner, former sheriff of Marion County; Joey Jacobs, Indianapolis; Leo Shafer and Jules Horwick, Chicago; Irwin Gordon and Philip Share, Las Vegas, Nev.; J.M. Tamer, Miami Beach, and E.M. Wyatt, Terre Haute.

Pre-arraignment speculation was that the men all would plead innocent, thus setting the stage for a federal court trial which District Attorney Don Tabbert had said would last for weeks and be one of the longest in Indiana history.

Defense Attorney Palmer K. Ward was expected to request an additional 30 days to file pre-trial motions.

During a 2½-week grand jury probe here in August, nearly 200 witnesses testified or cited the Fifth Amendment. Many of the witnesses were alleged bookies. Many others were wealthy businessmen from all around the nation whose telephone numbers were found in records seized last November when U. S. Treasury agents raided the Terre Haute operation and closed it down.

Minor Auto Accident Reported Wednesday

A minor property damage accident was reported to the city police Wednesday at 7:56 p.m. that occurred on 13th street.

Involved in the two car collision were Hilbert Hugo Thieme, 30, route five, Decatur, and a car driven by Samuel Carl Simmering, 49, Washington, Iowa. The auto driven by Simmering was headed north in the drive located at the Sinclair service station on 13th street and attempted to turn left on the highway to go south on 13th street, when the auto driven by Thieme was unable to stop, striking the Simmering car to the right rear.

Damage to the Simmering vehicle was estimated at \$150, and the Thieme auto was damaged to the estimate of \$65 as given by the city police.

Mrs. Jennie Cline Dies Last Evening

Mrs. Jennie P. Cline, 70, lifelong resident of Adams county, died at 6 p.m. Wednesday in the Jay county hospital at Portland after an extended illness. Survivors include a son, Paul E. Souers of Portland; one stepson, Everett Souers of Muncie; one grandson, five brothers and two sisters.

Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday at the Yager funeral home in Berne, the Rev. Paul Logan officiating. Burial will be in Greenwood cemetery at Linn Grove. Friends may call at the funeral home after 9 a.m. Friday.

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Report Radio Stolen From Decatur Store

A transistor radio was reported stolen from the Decatur Music House to the city police department Wednesday afternoon, it was learned today.

Jim Webb, manager of the Music House reported that the radio was stolen from the store sometime between the hours of 10:30 a.m. 12 noon Wednesday. The value of the transistor type radio was estimated at \$30.

The city police are investigating the incident.

District Meeting Of Legion Here Tonight

Post 43 of the American Legion will be host to the fourth district monthly meeting this evening, Robert G. Smith, commander, announced today.

The post auxiliary will serve a meal before the meeting, and all Legion members are asked to attend the dinner and meeting, Smith said.

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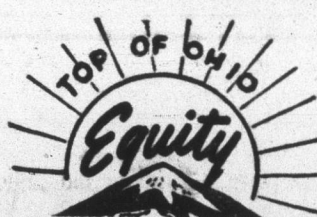
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