

Day In History

It was on March 22, 1820, 140 years ago tomorrow, that Commodore Stephen Decatur, Jr., U. S. Naval Commissioner, and the greatest naval hero of our country during the 100 years separating John Paul Jones and Admiral Farragut, was killed in a duel by Commodore James Barron at Washington, D.C.

Although our city is named in his honor, few of us really know much about this great man. The son and uncle of U. S. Commodores of the same name, his 41 years were closely associated with the sea.

He was born in Sinepuxent, Md., on January 5, 1779, while his father, Stephen Decatur, Sr., was captaining a privateer against the British.

Well-educated at the Episcopal academy and the University of Pennsylvania, he refused a clerical life, and in 1796, at the age of 17, entered the business house of a firm of ship owners.

The next year he got out the keel pieces of the frigate United States. He was on her when she was launched as the first ship of the U.S. Navy, a ship of war midway in size between a corvette and a ship of the line, with a deck of guns on each side. Commodore John Barry obtained for the young man an appointment by President John Adams as midshipman on April 30, 1798, and on June 3, 1799 he was commissioned a lieutenant.

When the United States fought with the pirates of Tripoli, who then were demanding tribute from those who passed nearby, Decatur distinguished himself for bravery by destroying a captured frigate in the harbor of Tripoli in a captured ketch. The battles in which he participated took place in 1803-4.

He was then recommended for captain by his commander, Commodore Preble, for whom Preble township is named. Both served in the action.

He was married on March 8, 1806 to Miss Susan Wheeler, of Norfolk, Va., but they had no children. He did have a nephew, Stephen Decatur III, born in 1815, who was also a commodore in the U. S. Navy. He died in 1876.

No man was ever more loyal to his country than Stephen Decatur, the author of the famous toast, "My country, may she ever be right, but, right or wrong, my country."

Decatur was active as a captain during the War of 1812, and in 1815 led a squadron against the Barbary states that finally broke the pirates of Algiers, Tunis, and Tripoli.

In 1816 he was appointed naval commissioner. About that time James Barron, who had been suspended for his conduct on the Chesapeake when she was attacked in 1807, returned to the United States from Europe, where he had stayed all during the War of 1812, and requested reinstatement as a commodore. Decatur opposed this, and Barron challenged him to a duel, which he accepted. Following his death on March 22, 1820, he was buried in Saint Peter's churchyard, Philadelphia.

TV PROGRAMS

Central Daylight Time

WANE-TV
Channel 15
MONDAY

Evening
6:00—Amos & Andy
6:15—The Calendar News
6:25—Doug Edwards News
7:00—Shotgun Slade
7:30—Kate Smith Show
8:00—Fathers Know Best
8:30—Father Knows Best
9:00—Danny Thomas Show
9:30—Ann Southern
10:30—June Allyson
11:10—Phil Wilson News
11:15—Let's Make Up
TUESDAY

Morning
7:00—Peppermint Theatre
7:45—The Wonderful
CBS News
8:15—Captain Kangaroo
9:00—Coffee Cup Theater
10:00—The Price Is Right
10:30—On The Go Show
11:30—I Love Lucy
12:30—December Bride
AFTERNOON
1:30—Love Of Life
12:30—Search For Tomorrow
12:45—Guiding Light
1:00—Ann Colomes Woman's Page
1:30—As The World Turns
2:00—For Better or for Worse
2:30—Houseparty
3:00—The Weatherman
3:30—Verdict Is Yours
4:00—Brighter Day
4:15—Secret Storm
4:30—Edge Of Night
5:00—Dance Dance
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6:00—Amos & Andy
6:15—The Calendar News
6:25—Doug Edwards News
7:00—Hotel de Paree
7:30—Bishop Sheen Program
8:00—Playhouse 90
8:30—The Skeleton
10:00—Gary Moore
11:00—Phil Wilson News
11:15—The Vicious Circle

WKJG-TV
Channel 33
MONDAY

Evening
6:00—Gateway To Sports
6:15—News, Jack Gray
6:25—The Weatherman
6:30—Yesterday's Newsreel
6:45—Brilliant Broadcast
7:00—All-Star Wrestling
8:00—U.S. Border Patrol
8:30—Wells Fargo
9:00—The Gun
10:00—Steve Allen Show
11:00—News and Weather
11:15—Sports Today
11:20—Jack Parr Show
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Evening
6:00—Gatesway to Sports
6:15—The Weatherman
6:30—Yesterday's Newsreel
6:45—Huntington Report
7:00—The Price Is Right
7:30—Laramie
8:30—Startime
8:45—Arthur Murray Show
10:00—The Sound
10:30—Phil Silvers Show
11:00—News and Weather
11:15—Sports Today
11:20—Jack Parr Show

WPTA-TV
Channel 21
MONDAY

Morning
11:30—Adventures In Living
12:00—Restless Gun
12:30—Love That Bob
1:00—About Faces
1:30—The Day In Court
2:30—Gale Storm
3:00—Beat The Clock
3:30—The Day You Trust
3:30—American Bandstand
3:30—Rocky And His Friends

Evening
6:00—Popeye And Rascals Club
6:20—Quick Draw McGraw
7:00—Popeye And Rascals Club
7:15—Tom Atkins Reporting
7:30—The Price Is Right
8:30—Bourbon Street Beat
9:30—Adventures In Paradise
10:30—Fighting Wildcats
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8:30—The Day You Trust
9:00—Rifleman
9:30—Coronado 3
10:00—Adventures
10:30—Promenade 21
11:30—Jubilee U.S.A.

MOVIES

ADAMS
"Wreck of the Mary Deare" Mon.
at 7:15; 9:15

Income Tax Fax

(Editor's note: As a public service to the taxpayers of Adams county, the Decatur Daily Democrat and the Indiana Society of Public Accountants, an affiliate of the National Society of Public Accountants, presents the following article, which is one of a series that will run weekly until the week of April 11.)

You can deduct all the expenses you incur in the collection or in the production of taxable income, including all the expenses of determining your tax liability, or contesting your tax liability, as this includes all kinds of taxes.

This section provides that an individual who has elected to itemize his deductions shall be allowed as a deduction all the ordinary and necessary expenses paid or incurred during the taxable year for the production or collection of income, or for the management, conservation, or maintenance of property held for the production of income, or in connection with the determination, collection, or refund of any tax.

"Other deductions" is the catch-all for many non-business deductions which are too numerous for separate scheduling on page 2 of form 1040. Principal among these are the unreimbursed expenses of employees, (other than outside salesmen) for clerical help, stationery, business entertainment, union dues, uniforms, tools, and supplies, subscriptions to professional journals, etc.

Other expenses which are deductible here are employment agency fees, amounts paid for the preparation of an income tax return, employee bond premiums and periodic alimony payments made to a divorced or separated spouse pursuant to a divorce, a decree of separate maintenance or a separation agreement.

Commuting between your home and your place of employment is not considered a cost of earning your income and is not deductible.

Best Seller Author

Is Victim Of Fire

LOS ANGELES (UPI) — Hard-living novelist Thomas T. Chamales, a World War II guerrilla fighter and estranged husband of singer Helen O'Connell, died Sunday when he was unable to escape from his smoke-filled bed-

room. The 35-year-old author of best sellers "Never So Few" and "Go Naked in the World" apparently groped wildly around the bedroom before being overcome by the fumes emitted from a burning divan in the living room.

Numerous smudged handmarks and smears of blood were found on three walls of the bedroom. The blood smears apparently came from a wound on Chamales' hand when he smashed a bedroom bureau mirror in his desperation, police said.

His body clad only in shorts was found hunched on the bedroom floor. Police said he apparently had been asleep when the fire began. It caused about \$5,000 damage, confined mainly to the living room.

Police said the blaze apparently was started by a carelessly mislaid cigarette which ignited the overstuffed divan.

Chamales, although a noted novelist and successful screen writer, made news in the past few years mostly because of his violent marriage with Miss O'Connell.

Shortly after the couple married May 9, 1957, Chamales knocked her down and she had him committed to New York's Bellevue Hospital for psychiatric observation.

They reconciled and moved to suburban Brentwood, but five times in two years the 37-year-old Miss O'Connell called police to their home, complaining Chamales beat her, was drunk and threatened her life. Once she hired a bodyguard to protect her from him.

Last Nov. 26 was their last spat. It resulted in four misdemeanor complaints against Chamales including disturbing the peace and battery. Ironically, he was to have appeared in court today to stand trial on the counts.

What I tell my closest friends about Complete Complexion Care

by BONNIE BELL

What I tell my closest friends about complete complexion care is the same advice that I have offered at Beauty Clinics and Style Shows across the country. In all of these lectures the question most asked by adults and teen-agers alike is—"What should I use for complete complexion care?" My answer has been... use a liquid cleanser—a facial masque and a liquid make-up.

And now—for the first time, we have combined our wonderful Ten-O-Six Lotion, Medi-Masque and Medicated Make-up in a money saving package. I call it "Treatment Trio."

It is a sensible approach to solving your complexion prob-

Film May Be Clue To Triple Slaying

STARVED ROCK STATE PARK, Ill. (UPI) — The killer of three socially prominent Chicago women may have been photographed by one of his victims moments before he struck, police said today.

Police based their hopes for a lead to the psychopathic killer on one of four color pictures taken by Mrs. Lillian Oetting just before she and two other society matrons were bludgeoned to death in Starved Rock State Park a week ago today.

The last picture taken by Mrs. Oetting shows a tree in the background with a strange shape which might be that of a man hiding behind the trunk, police said.

To Enlarge Film

Authorities rushed the film to a Chicago film laboratory where it was to be enlarged as much as possible to see if it acutely showed a man trying to conceal himself.

The film was taken from a white-crusted camera found in a cave in St. Louis Canyon next to the bodies of Mrs. Oetting and her friends, Mrs. Mildred Lindquist, 50, and Mrs. Frances Murphy, 47, all of the Chicago suburb of Riverside.

The women had been beaten to death, apparently with a gnarled tree limb found outside the cave. They were on a mid-winter vacation to the park when they were killed.

Will Question Suspects

Authorities met Sunday night to evaluate other leads in the search for the killer.

Afterwards, Harland Warren, state's attorney of La Salle County, said lie tests would be given today to 24 persons, including a stable boy seen in the park about the time the women were killed last Monday.

Witnesses said the boy seemed nervous and his clothes were disheveled.

However, police said they did not consider any of those to be questioned good suspects.

Forced Landings By Planes In Indiana

United Press International

Five persons from Colorado and Michigan were shaken and bruised but otherwise uninjured in two Indiana emergency landing plane crashes Sunday during snow squalls.

One of the accidents occurred near Westfield. The other happened near Logansport.

Three Colorado men escaped injury Sunday evening when a snow squall forced them to land their twin-engine plane in a Hamilton county field north of Westfield.

The occupants were identified as J. D. Forney, 55, his brother, Jack, 32, and Ted Anderson, 30, Fort Collins, Colo.

The plane, piloted and owned by J. D. Forney, was on a flight from Fort Collins to Lima, Ohio, when it encountered bad weather.

Forney put the plane down in a field on the Herschel Innman farm with little incident. Damage to a propeller and engine mounting was estimated by state police at \$4,000.

A Michigan man and his teenage son were shaken up Sunday when their small plane crashed during an emergency landing southwest of Logansport.

Frank Deonar, 37, Sodus, Mich., owner and pilot of the plane, and his son, John, 15, escaped with bruises when the craft was forced to the ground during a snow storm.

State police said the plane was en route from Vincennes to South Bend when it encountered the storm. Authorities said Deonar picked out a field on the Helen Sailors farm and attempted to land in snow.

The landing gear, however, bogged down in the snow and the craft flipped over on its back. Damage was estimated at \$500.

Noted Police Chief Kills Wife And Self

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. (UPI) — They called their police chief a man "who had the guts to face anything and anybody." Today he and two other society matrons were bludgeoned to death in Starved Rock State Park a week ago today.

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