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SPEAKERS

Gregory Sumner, Claire Crabtree, Edwin DeWindt, Hugh Culik, Production Element, Arthur Beer, Speaker 3, Melissa Samluk, Kathy Bush, George Pickering, Speaker 2, Michael Jayson, Speaker 1

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Michael Jayson 00:01

The University of Detroit Mercy presents another encore presentation of a classic Ask the Professor radio program. Today's show takes us back to March 1996.
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Edwin DeWindt 00:12

Antal Doráti and the Detroit Symphony bring you the Tchaikovsky 1812 Overture, complete with bells and cannons. Actually, it's Ask The Professor. The University of Detroit Mercy presents Ask the Professor, the radio program on which you match wits with University Of Detroit Mercy professors, I must remember the name of this place, in an unrehearsed session of questions and answers. I'm your host, Edwin DeWindt and today we have a lot of the regular panel with us. I could almost say, with the exception of Sarah's absence, the creme de la creme of the panel.
- G

George Pickering 00:46

Well, Arthur's not here
- E

Edwin DeWindt 00:46

Arthur's not here. That's right.
- G

George Pickering 00:46

Claire's not here.

E Edwin DeWindt 00:46
Yeah. Well -

G George Pickering 00:52
So who is here.

E Edwin DeWindt 00:53
Yeah. On my right from the Department of Religious Studies, the chair of that department, Professor George Winthrop Pickering,

K Kathy Bush 01:00
You are. And that's really scary. When I hear that, I think I'm gonna be called by my mother,


G George Pickering 01:00
Oh, pleasure to be here, as always,

S Speaker 1 01:03
On his right, from the Department of History and the assistant dean of the College of Liberal Arts, Professor Kathleen Theresa Bush.


K Kathy Bush 01:17
What is this?


E Edwin DeWindt 01:20
I don't know. I'm just killing time,


K Kathy Bush 01:22
With the middle name


 Gregory Sumner 01:22
Do you have four names?


 Edwin DeWindt 01:22
No


 Kathy Bush 01:24
Only three. My confirmation name.


 Edwin DeWindt 01:28
Now, what's that?


 Kathy Bush 01:28
It's Suzanne, who's no longer a saint.


 Edwin DeWindt 01:32
Saint Suzanne is no longer a saint?


 Kathy Bush 01:34
No longer a saint. They said she was just a legend, a myth, but not a real person.


 Edwin DeWindt 01:39
So we have a thing about - you have to be a mythuth instead of a myth? Is that the idea?


 Kathy Bush 01:44
I guess. Of course, none of that was mythology, as we know.


 Edwin DeWindt 01:47
And on, Kathy's right from the Department of History, Professor Greg - I have no idea what his middle name is - Sumner.


 Gregory Sumner 02:01
Dean Moriarty, actually, James Dean is -


 Gregory Sumner 02:01
Dean.


 Edwin DeWindt 02:01
Dean?


 Gregory Sumner 02:01
as in, I'm not a dean.


 Hugh Culik 02:01
As in Dean Moriarty?

 Edwin DeWindt 02:02
He was named after James Dean.

 Gregory Sumner 02:04
A fellow Hoosier.

 Edwin DeWindt 02:05
That's right. Oh my gosh.

 Kathy Bush 02:07
Why wasn't it Booth like Booth Tarkington?

 Gregory Sumner 02:09
Good question. I'll ask my mother

Good question. I'll ask my mother.

K Kathy Bush 02:10
You should.

E Edwin DeWindt 02:11
At least it wasn't Tarkington

G Gregory Sumner 02:12
That would have a certain cachet.

E Edwin DeWindt 02:15
It would, yeah, yeah. And on my left, from the Department of English, Professor, Hugh Culik.
What's your middle name?

H Hugh Culik 02:15
Charles


E Edwin DeWindt 02:15
Charles. It's a real name.


G Gregory Sumner 02:15
Can we call you Chuck?


H Hugh Culik 02:15
If you want a fat lip (Greg laughs)


M Melissa Samluk 02:22
Not and live.


H Hugh Culik 02:24


 **Hugh Culik** 02:24
Not and live. Yeah.

 **Edwin DeWindt** 02:33
and sitting between Hugh and Greg joining us today, our producer, Melissa Samluk

 **Melissa Samluk** 02:41
Be nice to me, please.


 **Edwin DeWindt** 02:42
We will.

 **Hugh Culik** 02:42
That's not our job.

 **Kathy Bush** 02:43
What's your middle name. Melissa?

 **Melissa Samluk** 02:48
Kay Martin

 **Hugh Culik** 02:48
What? Wait a minute. Kay Martin?

 **Melissa Samluk** 02:50
I have two middle names now.

 **Edwin DeWindt** 02:51
That's the name of Jane Schaberg's cat. Kay Martin.



H Hugh Culik 02:55
Melissa Kay Martin -Oh, because you changed your name when you got married.

M Melissa Samluk 02:59
Correct

H Hugh Culik 03:00
Ahh!

E Edwin DeWindt 03:01
Some people do that.

H Hugh Culik 03:05
I've heard of the custom,

E Edwin DeWindt 03:07
Yes, yes. When Anne and I got married her, her mother actually said, "Oh, dear. Now they'll never be a Dr Reiber". Thanks. Most of the questions you hear in this program are sent in by our listeners. If you stump the panel, you get really neat stuff. You get this wonderful picture.

G Gregory Sumner 03:35
We have a picture.

E Edwin DeWindt 03:36
We have a picture, and it's going to be signed right here next week. We actually do. Yes.

G Gregory Sumner 03:42
Don't we have machines to do that, like Hillary Clinton,

E Edwin DeWindt 03:45
I wish we did, you know, but no, we have to actually sign them ourselves. It adds to the value of

the book.

H Hugh Culik 03:50

We'll ask Gary Lichtman if he can come up with some of that. Maybe we can get that in lieu of a new board for CST

E Edwin DeWindt 03:55

Sure, just get a signature signing machine

G Gregory Sumner 03:58

A stamper. "To _____. Sincere best wishes".

E Edwin DeWindt 04:03

And you get a diploma. And if you don't stump the panel, well, you know, you take what you get in that case, but we assure you it'll be something you'll be proud to show your friends and neighbors

G Gregory Sumner 04:20

Smile when you say that.

E Edwin DeWindt 04:22

Yes. All right. On our last program, we were just starting a set of questions from Paul Tully, Foreign language department chair, Linden High School, Linden, California.

H Hugh Culik 04:33

Were we abusing him about California?

G George Pickering 04:34

We had been - to some length. Yeah.

E Edwin DeWindt 04:37

He was very upset that we had made anti California remarks.

He was very upset that we had made such damaging remarks,

H Hugh Culik 04:41

Yeah. Well, wait till he hears what's coming down the pike.

E Edwin DeWindt 04:43

So he's asking us all these questions about California now.

G George Pickering 04:47

Alright.

H Hugh Culik 04:48

And what - we were told we can't an answer "Who cares?" That's not an answer.

E Edwin DeWindt 04:53

That's not an answer.

H Hugh Culik 04:54

Okay.

E Edwin DeWindt 04:55

These first questions were on the Spanish missions of California.


H Hugh Culik 04:58


May I ask another question? Why is the abbreviation for California the same as the abbreviation for cancer? That's just a question that pops into mind sometimes


H Hugh Culik 04:59


because neither of them can quite be cured. (The professors laugh)


G George Pickering 05:00


 George Pickering 05:08
Okay, and we're just warming up, honey,

 Hugh Culik 05:20
All our good friends at K Earth, I hope they don't take this personally, It's simply aimed at the geography they inhabit.


 Edwin DeWindt 05:25
because we're still waiting for them to fly us out there.

 Hugh Culik 05:28
Yeah

 Edwin DeWindt 05:28
Somebody at K Earth mentioned that once, I think he was fired immediately.

 Edwin DeWindt 05:34
Would we be available for that sort of thing?

 Edwin DeWindt 05:35
You're damn right we'd be available for that sort of thing.

 Gregory Sumner 05:39
Just tell me which gate

 George Pickering 05:41
I want to go see my Tylenol son out there.

 Edwin DeWindt 05:44
Yes, yes, George, explain to the audience -

G George Pickering 05:47
No, no, no. There are no explanations here. This is Henry Ford. Don't complain. Don't explain

H Hugh Culik 05:52
Yes.

E Edwin DeWindt 05:52
Anyway, George's sons in a Tylenol commercial. Look for a guy, on crutches.

G Gregory Sumner 05:57
Is that one of those. "Father, I have a headache -"

G George Pickering 06:00
Oh, no, he's on crutches. He's got a cast on his leg.


H Hugh Culik 06:04
Oh, I thought it was the vasectomy one. No,


G George Pickering 06:06
No. That's the other one - doing the laundry


G Gregory Sumner 06:12
We ought to take a train Michigan to California and do shows all along the way. Nowde

E Edwin DeWindt 06:17
Now that would be something, wouldn't it?


K Kathy Bush 06:18
A whistle stop tour.


 George Pickering 06:20
Like Harry Truman

 Gregory Sumner 06:21
We could have a bar car.


 Speaker 2 06:23
Yes. We could be in the bar car.


 Hugh Culik 06:27
I hear Gary Lichtman's got a budget for that.


 George Pickering 06:29
Oh, I think so

 Edwin DeWindt 06:31
I bet he does. He's not listening. He's ignoring us.

 George Pickering 06:35
Yeah

 Kathy Bush 06:35
He's waving, cautiously.

 George Pickering 06:37
Anyhow, give us a question.

 Hugh Culik 06:38
Okay, well, I'd say the first one is in San Diego.

E Edwin DeWindt 06:38
A two-part question. Which was the first and which was the last mission to be founded in California by Spanish type folk?

E Edwin DeWindt 06:50
You're right.

H Hugh Culik 06:51
And the northern most one -

G George Pickering 06:54
San Francisco,

E Edwin DeWindt 06:56
Well, it's in that area

G George Pickering 06:57
San Mateo.

E Edwin DeWindt 06:58
It's one of the wine growing areas

G George Pickering 07:00
It begins with an "S".

H Hugh Culik 07:00
Napa.

G George Pickering 07:01

San?

E Edwin DeWindt 07:03
No, Son.

G George Pickering 07:06
Songria, no

E Edwin DeWindt 07:07
No. Sonoma. Now, could somebody tell me - what does Diego mean?

H Hugh Culik 07:18
Douglas


E Edwin DeWindt 07:19
Is that what it is, okay. I've often wondered, you know


E Edwin DeWindt 07:22
Well, who was St. Douglas?


E Edwin DeWindt 07:24
Some Scott (Laughs)


H Hugh Culik 07:25
You know what? That is based on, like, the most mistaken form of arriving at knowledge. I know of actually, I believe that, because when I was in fifth grade Spanish, we all got Spanish names in Doug MacArthur, who was a friend of mine, was called Diego. Now, whether Diego is Douglas or I don't know, so, oh, don't you.


H Hugh Culik 07:46
So in other words, this may not be true


 George Pickering 07:50
Yeah, but it might be.

 Hugh Culik 07:50
It might be. You know -


 George Pickering 07:52
Well, who is St. Douglas. I never heard of it

 Kathy Bush 07:52
What other D saints are there? Dennis?

 Kathy Bush 07:57
St Douglas the Navigator

 Kathy Bush 08:01
Yeah, friend of Brendan.


 Edwin DeWindt 08:05
and then discovered Florida.


 Kathy Bush 08:05
Then they went to California.


 Edwin DeWindt 08:05
That's right, and California. They ended up in California.

 Kathy Bush 08:05
That's right. He and Brendan and the boys went out and laid lobster pots somewhere around

the Aegean and caught sponges or something..

 Kathy Bush 08:16
But Hugh rules. He knew the first one.

 Edwin DeWindt 08:18
That's right.


 Edwin DeWindt 08:19
All right. Finally, this is only on the mission questions, what is the name in Spanish for the road that connects all the missions.


 George Pickering 08:22
All right.

 Hugh Culik 08:28
the Royal Road,

 Edwin DeWindt 08:35
Yes. El Camino Royal

 Hugh Culik 08:36
El Camino Royal. Pardon me

 Hugh Culik 08:39
Been there too, yeah. Oh, it's wonderful.

 Gregory Sumner 08:40
Have you ever been to Knott's Berry Farm?

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H Hugh Culik 08:44
No, I have spent three days in a row one time at the San Diego Zoo. That's a good place,

G George Pickering 08:50
but they finally let you out?

H Hugh Culik 08:52
It was - I was scared. Though none of those lions touched me.

E Edwin DeWindt 08:56
Good. I've only been to San Francisco and north of there, I've never been anywhere else in California. Next - a California subject that is popular to everyone.

K Kathy Bush 09:08
Mass murderers


H Hugh Culik 09:09
Wine.


H Hugh Culik 09:09
It has to be O.J.


E Edwin DeWindt 09:11
Who is credited to saying "When one glass of wine invites the second, the wine is good"?


G Gregory Sumner 09:19
Some wino.


E Edwin DeWindt 09:21
Well, yeah, Mr. Gallo, it's a Sonoma winery, okay, with an Italian sounding name Gallo. No, not that's Italian, but this is


 Gregory Sumner 09:36
Bartles or James.


 Edwin DeWindt 09:38
Think of, think of someone who in the history of Christianity, the early years, second, third century, was shot with arrows. Sebastian, yes. Sebastian, yes. Sebastiani, been there. Samuel Sebastiani, founder, was his name, his wonderful commercials a few years ago for a. Outfit called Keller Geister that disappeared from the face of the earth, but they did a take off on the Orson Welles' Paul Masson commercials.


 George Pickering 10:06
Right. "We will serve no wine - until you buy it".

 Edwin DeWindt 10:09
"We will serve no wine until you pay for it. Mr. Keller Geister himself said it so well just yesterday". (Laughs) It was wonderful. And in one he was hosting a party and opens the door and in rides this blue nun on her bicycle. (The professors laugh) Which California county produces the greatest volume of wine grapes?


 George Pickering 10:35
Is there a Napa County?


 Edwin DeWindt 10:37
There is, but that's not it.


 Hugh Culik 10:40
Is there a Sonoma County?


 Edwin DeWindt 10:42
It's 90 miles east of San Francisco.





 Kathy Bush 10:44
Is San in the name?

 Edwin DeWindt 10:48
Yes, San -


 Kathy Bush 10:49
San Bernardino


 Edwin DeWindt 10:50
No. It begins with a J

 Hugh Culik 10:52
San Juan

 Kathy Bush 10:53
Jacinta?


 Edwin DeWindt 10:54
No


 Kathy Bush 10:55
San Jorge


 George Pickering 10:57
San Juan.


 Gregory Sumner 10:58
I know which county grows the most marijuana.


- E** Edwin DeWindt 11:01
Yeah, Mendocino. That's where my brother-in-law lives.(The professors laugh) San Joaquin.
- G** George Pickering 11:09
Oh, San Joaquin. Okay
- G** Gregory Sumner 11:10
The Incredible Joaquin Man
- H** Hugh Culik 11:15
"What are you doing? I'm going for a Joaquin".
- G** George Pickering 11:19
Dead man Joaquin. (Sings) "Dead man Juaquin"
- K** Kathy Bush 11:23
(Sings) "Happy Song". Dead Man Walking set to reggae. We wondered about that.
- E** Edwin DeWindt 11:27
Yes. Well, my other brother in law would love that. He works for a reggae company. Which winery had an advertising campaign that for years featured "that little old wine maker"?
- G** Gregory Sumner 11:38
Charlie Weaver? Was he in that?
- E** Edwin DeWindt 11:39
No, "Little old winemaker - Me"
- K** Kathy Bush 11:43
Is it like Mogen David?


 Edwin DeWindt 11:44
It's about the same ilk.


 Kathy Bush 11:45
Okay. Not Boones Farm then.

 Gregory Sumner 11:46
Gallo?


 Edwin DeWindt 11:47
No, no, it's -


 Kathy Bush 11:51
wines with cat


 George Pickering 11:52
One of the big ones?


 Edwin DeWindt 11:53
Well, it's big in terms of, you know, supermarket screw top bottle type -


 Hugh Culik 11:57
Oh, my kind. Livingston Cellars?


 Edwin DeWindt 12:01
Italian -

 Gregory Sumner 12:02
Swiss Colony.


 Edwin DeWindt 12:03
That's it. There you go.


 Kathy Bush 12:06
They also sell cheese at Christmas


 Gregory Sumner 12:16
Like Paw Paw red.


 George Pickering 12:16
They make wine?

 Gregory Sumner 12:17
California can't compare to Michigan wines, though.

 Edwin DeWindt 12:17
(Laughs)

 George Pickering 12:17
I didn't know that.

 Hugh Culik 12:17
What about - Let's talk about New York wine.

 Edwin DeWindt 12:18
I mean, that's the trouble when you go to the medieval Congress in Kalamazoo in May, every restaurant in Kalamazoo, they serve wines from St. Julian Winery winery, the only red wine that tastes like it's got 10,000 barrels of sugar in it.



H Hugh Culik 12:33
Oh, you know, so good you'll throw it up out your nose.

E Edwin DeWindt 12:39
Okay. Name the two actors involved in the spots for Italian Swiss Colony Wine

G Gregory Sumner 12:47
Bartles and James. Charlie Weaver

H Hugh Culik 12:49
Okay, we need Swiss. Okay, we How about Paul Klee and Gustaf Young?

E Edwin DeWindt 12:51
How about two guys that used to work with Sid Caesar, both of whom have become producers in there own right.

K Kathy Bush 13:03
Like Rob Reiner?

K Kathy Bush 13:03
You've got to be kidding me.

E Edwin DeWindt 13:03
His father, Carl Reiner.

E Edwin DeWindt 13:03
Reiner

K Kathy Bush 13:04
Okay, Carl Reiner and -

E Edwin DeWindt 13:08
And the other is a man who keeps making movies, although you now wish he wouldn't. His latest one is Dracula, Dead and Loving it.

G Gregory Sumner 13:18
Mel Brooks.

E Edwin DeWindt 13:18
Yes. Mel Brooks - - - and we have just been joined by Arthur Beer from the department of Theatre and Performing Arts and Claire Crabtree from the Department of Romania - I mean English.

C Claire Crabtree 13:19
He was really here for half an hour, but couldn't remember the code until I came along.

E Edwin DeWindt 13:29
Oh my gosh!

C Claire Crabtree 13:31
Not entirely true


E Edwin DeWindt 13:32
Well, we're dealing with questions on California from Mr. Paul Tully.


H Hugh Culik 13:36
We have been highly abusive


E Edwin DeWindt 13:39
Chair of the Foreign Languages Department at Linden High School in Linden, California.


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- G** Gregory Sumner 13:42
You know, I lived in Grand Rapids, Michigan for a year, and they tried to talk about the coast of Michigan as America's third coast. What do you think of that?
- E** Edwin DeWindt 13:55
I'm stunned.
- C** Claire Crabtree 13:56
There's a literary journal called The Third Coast.
- G** George Pickering 13:58
Yeah, but that's out of Texas. In Texas, they call the Gulf "the third coast" "
- G** Gregory Sumner 14:03
And in Cleveland, they call it the North Coast.
- C** Claire Crabtree 14:04
I think it originated here.
- H** Hugh Culik 14:05
Was it Con Hilberry and Jim Tipton?
- H** Hugh Culik 14:08
Anybody who's ever been to Point Pelee knows. I mean, this is it. We've got it all.
- E** Edwin DeWindt 14:16
(Laughs) Well, our producer was here. And here comes Melissa. And our next question is where is Italian Swiss Colony?
- G** Gregory Sumner 14:29
Sonoma Valley.


 Edwin DeWindt 14:31
Well, we know it's California.


 George Pickering 14:31
California.


 George Pickering 14:32
Well, it's an answer.


 Edwin DeWindt 14:33
Think "Spumanti"

 Gregory Sumner 14:34
Asti.

 Edwin DeWindt 14:36
That's right, Asti. And on that triumphant note, **let's take a little** break here.

 Production Element 15:03
ATP "Send questions" promo

 Edwin DeWindt 15:06
Oh, we're back - with our questions from Paul Tully of Linden, California, on California. And next question is, a former candidate for President of the United States now has a winery that, from Mr. Tully's experience, produces excellent wine.

 Kathy Bush 15:29
Tommy Smothers



E Edwin DeWindt 15:30
Well, they do -

G George Pickering 15:32
Pat Paulson

E Edwin DeWindt 15:32
It's Paulson, but he says that the Smothers Brothers do have a winery right down the road. Yes. He says, "Paulson's wines are better". (Laughs)

G George Pickering 15:41
I wouldn't mind buying them.

E Edwin DeWindt 15:44
Benjamin Davis Wilson, for whom Mount Wilson is named, has an important connection with the California wine industry. What is it?

G George Pickering 15:51
He was a drunk.

E Edwin DeWindt 15:56
No, no. He adapted a method, a particular method.

G George Pickering 16:05
Of pressing the grapes? No

E Edwin DeWindt 16:06
No

G Gregory Sumner 16:07
reThe Bessemer Process.

E Edwin DeWindt 16:08
(Laughing)The Bessemer Process. That was Wyandotte, Michigan, Greg, That was the first Bessemer plant.

K Kathy Bush 16:13
It sounds like wine-dot.

E Edwin DeWindt 16:13
Wine, dot. That's right. Wine dot com Now, there we go. No.

K Kathy Bush 16:13
Does it have something to do with fermentation?

E Edwin DeWindt 16:22
Well, it has to do with bubbles.

A Arthur Beer 16:24
How to inject effervescence in to wine?

H Hugh Culik 16:25
Well, it's not how to inject it.

C Claire Crabtree 16:28
How to get rid of it? How to create it?

K Kathy Bush 16:34
Regulaete it?

E Edwin DeWindt 16:37

Yeah, produce it. In other words, he's the first man who introduced sparkling wine to California, and that's where they have that you know, champagne method, "methode champenoise" on bottles, because you can't call it champagne.

G

George Pickering 16:37

Produce it.

G

George Pickering 16:52

You deserve to have a -

A

Arthur Beer 16:52

In other words, he added sugar. That's right. That's what it was. (Laughs)

G

Gregory Sumner 16:57

Where does Lawrence Welk come into the picture?

E

Edwin DeWindt 16:59

Somewhere in Alsace-Lorraine. That's all I know - somewhere with an accordion.

G

Gregory Sumner 17:01

And what did he do during the war?

H

Hugh Culik 17:04

Yes, still on TV.

E

Edwin DeWindt 17:06

I know - and he's been dead forever, too. Hasn't he? Gosh, what's that wonderful line in the original Muppet Movie where Steve Martin is a waiter and is serving Kermit the Frog wine. He says, "How about some sparkling Muscadet, Idaho's finest wine. Would you like to smell the screw top?" (The professors laugh) I sit there every time I see that, I think there's no eight year old in the country who gets this,

E Edwin DeWindt 17:32
but they all repeat it

E Edwin DeWindt 17:33
They all do. Yes. Who runs the Queen of the Valley Hospital in Napa?

G George Pickering 17:41
A winery.

E Edwin DeWindt 17:42
No

K Kathy Bush 17:43
Oh, darn.

A Arthur Beer 17:44
The valley queen, I suppose.

K Kathy Bush 17:47
Really, Queen of the May.

E Edwin DeWindt 17:49
No, it's a religious order

H Hugh Culik 17:50
The Christian Brothers,

E Edwin DeWindt 17:52
Not the Christian Brothers

H Hugh Culik 17:54
The Sisters of Mercy.

E Edwin DeWindt 17:55
The Sisters of Mercy.

H Hugh Culik 17:57
They own every hospital in the country

E Edwin DeWindt 17:59
Darn right. Another peculiarity of California is our coastal redwoods. What is the Latin name for the coastal redwood?

H Hugh Culik 18:08
The Gigantis something.

E Edwin DeWindt 18:12
Biggest treeist. No.

G George Pickering 18:15
Silvius reddist

E Edwin DeWindt 18:18
What's another word used for these big red -

A Arthur Beer 18:20
Sequoia

E Edwin DeWindt 18:21
Sequoia. It's the Sequoia sempervirens

A Arthur Beer 18:27
Always green

E Edwin DeWindt 18:28
Yeah, always green.

C Claire Crabtree 18:29
Virens? V-i-r-e-n-s?

E Edwin DeWindt 18:31
Yes.

A Arthur Beer 18:32
Actually, it means ever living, doesn't it?

E Edwin DeWindt 18:35
I think so. Eternal Sequoia. The H A Libby tree is the tallest known tree of the species, I guess the Sequoia -

G George Pickering 18:46
Virens.

E Edwin DeWindt 18:47
What is its height?

H Hugh Culik 18:49
563 feet.

E Edwin DeWindt 18:51



No, that's too high. Too high.



Hugh Culik 18:52

320 feet.



Edwin DeWindt 18:53

That's very close.



Hugh Culik 18:54

323 feet.



Edwin DeWindt 18:56

It's - you're getting there. It'll take a while. 340 is even closer. I'll accept that. It's 372



Gregory Sumner 19:02

Did that survive Reagan being governor?



Edwin DeWindt 19:04

Didn't he want to open that up to, uh - because trees cause pollution?



Edwin DeWindt 19:04

He says it is in Humboldt County, so it must still be there. 220 miles north west of San Francisco.




Claire Crabtree 19:11


(Laughs)




Edwin DeWindt 19:25


In 1834 the first commercial Redwood sawmill was established. Where?

 Gregory Sumner 19:51
Sutter.


 Edwin DeWindt 19:54
No


 Claire Crabtree 19:54
What was the date?


 Edwin DeWindt 19:54
1834


 Claire Crabtree 19:54
In Humboldt County?


 Edwin DeWindt 19:54
No. It's in Sanoma County

 Hugh Culik 19:57
Give me a letter


 Edwin DeWindt 19:58
And he says "If memory serves me well, today it is a big wild BlackBerry thicket".


 Hugh Culik 20:02
Don't know


 Edwin DeWindt 20:05
What name was given to the steam winch which aided in moving the massive weight and dimensions of the California redwoods.


 Claire Crabtree 20:12
Is it named for a person?


 Edwin DeWindt 20:13
Yes. Named for its inventor

 Claire Crabtree 20:14
Is it a name we've heard of?


 Edwin DeWindt 20:15
I don't know if you'd have heard of it.


 Kathy Bush 20:16
Like Old Rocky or something?

 Claire Crabtree 20:16
Let's do the name clues, Edwin.. Hugh and I are -

 Edwin DeWindt 20:24
Alright. Last syllable is something, a fermented thing that you drink,

 George Pickering 20:29
Wine

 Edwin DeWindt 20:30
In fact, the same surname as a member of our panel

 Hugh Culik 20:33
Beer

E Edwin DeWindt 20:35
Beer. That's right. And the first syllable is what happens when you run out of money and have no job, and you have to live off the the welfare of the state.

C Claire Crabtree 20:44
Dole

E Edwin DeWindt 20:44
Dole. Put them all together.

E Edwin DeWindt 20:47
Dole beer

E Edwin DeWindt 20:48
You have dole beer, that's right,

H Hugh Culik 20:49
Sounds good

E Edwin DeWindt 20:51
John Dolbeer,

H Hugh Culik 20:53
Yeah, he invented the winch, didn't he? The one they use -

E Edwin DeWindt 20:56
That famous redwood winch.

G George Pickering 20:58

Sure. That's what he's known for. I mean, everybody knows that.

E

Edwin DeWindt 21:01

He tells us several models, including the Gypsy, which is a Dolbeer on a rail flat car, are on display at the Fort Humboldt State Park in Eureka.

G

George Pickering 21:13

All right.

C

Claire Crabtree 21:14

Well, if it had been really important, Henry Ford would have bought it and brought it -

E

Edwin DeWindt 21:16

and brought it. You're right. That's right. Obviously it's of no significance. He would have had to expand the size of that phony Independence Hall thing.

C

Claire Crabtree 21:23

He just liked stealing from other parts of the country,

E

Edwin DeWindt 21:30

Name the famous mansion in Eureka, known for its Victorian gingerbread architecture, which was built for one of the early day lumber barons

H

Hugh Culik 21:40

the Winchester Museum,

G


Gregory Sumner 21:41


not the Hearst mansion.


G


George Pickering 21:43


No, it's not there

 Claire Crabtree 21:44
Is it a name we know?


 Edwin DeWindt 21:45
Well, it's a name you know from late night TV,


 Hugh Culik 21:49
Letterman


 Edwin DeWindt 21:50
Before that.


 Kathy Bush 21:51
Carson.

 Edwin DeWindt 21:52
Yes

 Claire Crabtree 21:52
Good.

 Edwin DeWindt 21:53
Big boat,

 Kathy Bush 21:53
Okay. There you go.

 Edwin DeWindt 21:53
That's right. The Carson Mansion. That's it. That was the name given to the tvne early day shin

That's right, the Carson Mansion that's in that was the name given to the type early day ship used to transport Redwood lumber to San Francisco and Los Angeles from the mills along California's North Coast?

H Hugh Culik 21:54
Schooner.

E Edwin DeWindt 21:55
Schooner!

C Claire Crabtree 21:56
Oh!

E Edwin DeWindt 21:57
The steam schooner. There you go,

G Gregory Sumner 22:18
Like a schooner of beer?

E Edwin DeWindt 22:21
or schooner of Dolbeer or something.

C Claire Crabtree 22:24
I wish our radio audience could see Greg's face as he drops these little -

G George Pickering 22:28
Oh, he's so pleased.

E Edwin DeWindt 22:29
No, but he has that pixiesque quality.

E Edwin DeWindt 22:29
With a name like Dean.

E Edwin DeWindt 22:29
With a name like Dean, he'd better have a pixiesque quality. maybe someday

S Speaker 2 22:37
Refer to me from now on as G. Dean Sumner.

E Edwin DeWindt 22:43
Hey, I like that. Dean Sumner, that has a real ring to it.

K Kathy Bush 22:47
What did you do and when did you do it? Yes,

E Edwin DeWindt 22:49
Yes. While on the subject of transportation -

G George Pickering 22:53
which we were

E Edwin DeWindt 22:55
California was controlled by the Big Four who began the Central Pacific Railroad and built it towards the advancing Union Pacific. Frank Norris's novel The Octopus, which is not about the Detroit Red Wings, describes the company's later excesses. Name the big four.

C Claire Crabtree 23:13
Is this people like Gould?

E Edwin DeWindt 23:15
It's people like that. only that's not it.

...people and they, they, they, they...

G George Pickering 23:17
Yeah, the west coasters.

A Arthur Beer 23:18
One of them is probably Carson, and then the other one's Dolbeer.

E Edwin DeWindt 23:21
Nope, well, one has a town and university named after him,

G Gregory Sumner 23:27
Leland, Stanford.

E Edwin DeWindt 23:28
That's right,

G George Pickering 23:29
Oh, sure.

E Edwin DeWindt 23:29
Another one has a big hotel named after him in San Francisco.

A Arthur Beer 23:38
St Francis

E Edwin DeWindt 23:41
No.

E Edwin DeWindt 23:41

Yeah. Mark who?

A Arthur Beer 23:41
Oh, Taper,

E Edwin DeWindt 23:41
No.

C Claire Crabtree 23:41
Mark was the first name, and he had a last name?

E Edwin DeWindt 23:41
Mm-hm.

C Claire Crabtree 23:41
Oh, come on, San Francisco hotels

A Arthur Beer 23:41
Oh, Hopkins.

G George Pickering 23:41
Fairmont

E Edwin DeWindt 23:52
Hopkins, yes,

G George Pickering 23:53
Sure. Oh yes, of course,

C Claire Crabtree 23:54



of course?



Edwin DeWindt 23:55

The other name, the same name, is a woman who does not exist, a mythical woman who writes cookbooks and -



Hugh Culik 24:06

Crockeru



Edwin DeWindt 24:06

Yes, Charles Crocker, and the final one is a man who has another town named after him in California, where a library is located,



Edwin DeWindt 24:14

Huntington.



Edwin DeWindt 24:15

That's right.



Claire Crabtree 24:16

Oh, right, by the way, he hasn't asked about the horse trough in San Francisco donated by my forebear, sort of.



Edwin DeWindt 24:26

Oh!



Claire Crabtree 24:26

my grandfather's cousin. Lotta Crabtree.



Edwin DeWindt 24:28

Oh



Arthur Beer 24:29

Claire, Lotta Crabtree -



Claire Crabtree 24:32

She was my grandfather's cousin, and she left \$4 million when she died in 1924 - not to any of us.



Edwin DeWindt 24:41

(Laughs)



Claire Crabtree 24:42

My aunt lotta, also a redhead with a flamboyant personality, became an attorney in about 1925. She read for the law while supporting her younger brothers and sisters after her father died, read for the law to try to get the money for the family.



Hugh Culik 25:00

Then there's a new bio of Djuna Barnes by Phillip Herring and in there -



Claire Crabtree 25:08

She's mentioned?



Hugh Culik 25:10

she's mentioned, yes, as hanging out with Djuna Barnes.



Edwin DeWindt 25:13


Where is the horse trough located?



Claire Crabtree 25:15

I went to see it, but I don't know San Francisco all that well. It's in the middle of a big traffic circle now


 Edwin DeWindt 25:20
Okay


 Claire Crabtree 25:22
Name me a street


 Edwin DeWindt 25:24
Well, Market Street goes on a diagonal


 George Pickering 25:28
Yeah, that Market Street, it goes all the way from Philadelphia.


 Gregory Sumner 25:31
Is that known as the crookedist treet in the world?

 Edwin DeWindt 25:34
Oh, that's the one that's -

 Hugh Culik 25:35
Lombard Street

 George Pickering 25:36
Well, it's certainly not straight

 Kathy Bush 25:38
That's right. There you go. Yes, indeed.

 Gregory Sumner 25:40
I was waiting for someone to pick that up

E Edwin DeWindt 25:42
Where was the terminus for the first transcontinental railroad?

G George Pickering 25:45
What do you mean - terminus?

A Arthur Beer 25:45
Where did it end.

G Gregory Sumner 25:47
Promontory point.

E Edwin DeWindt 25:49
No, What town

C Claire Crabtree 25:50
What town in California? San Francisco?


E Edwin DeWindt 25:53
Not San Francisco. No.


G George Pickering 25:54
Oakland


E Edwin DeWindt 25:55
Sacramento.

A Arthur Beer 25:55
Sacramento?


Sacramento.


 George Pickering 25:56
Why?


 Gregory Sumner 25:56
That isn't even on the ocean.


 Edwin DeWindt 25:57
Because it was transferred to a river steamer to get to San Francisco


 George Pickering 26:01
Ohhh.

 Gregory Sumner 26:02
Boy, how disappointing to get all the way to the end, and "We're not there yet"

 Speaker 1 26:05
That's right. I want to go to


 Michael Jayson 26:08
"But I want to go to Fisherman's Wharf"


 Edwin DeWindt 26:09
(Laughs)


 Speaker 3 26:09
That's about a two-hour bus ride, folks.


 Edwin DeWindt 26:17


Name the pass in the Sierra Nevada mountains that the Central Pacific utilized on its eastward march

 **Hugh Culik** 26:24
The Donner Pass


 **Edwin DeWindt** 26:28
That's right


 **George Pickering** 26:30
past the cannibals.


 **Edwin DeWindt** 26:31
Well, Mr. Tully will have to wait till next week to have his questions finished.


 **George Pickering** 26:35
We will too.


 **Edwin DeWindt** 26:36
He's getting two weeks for California out of this show, isn't it?


 **Arthur Beer** 26:41
Three

 **Edwin DeWindt** 26:42
That's right, three. Anyway. I'd like to thank him for his questions. I want to thank the panel. Professor Pickering, Professor Bush, Professor Sumner, Professor Beer,


 **Arthur Beer** 26:51
Hey, hey.

 Edwin DeWindt 26:51
Professor Crabtree.

 Claire Crabtree 26:52
Better light than never, we hope

 Edwin DeWindt 26:54
That's right. And now this word from the University of Detroit Mercy,

 Michael Jayson 26:59
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 Edwin DeWindt 27:07
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