'My goal will ever be to make history popular': Peter Brannon's Quest for Alabama History

Abstract
Peter Alexander Brannon (1882-1967) was a noteworthy figure in Alabama history during the first two-thirds of the twentieth century. Throughout his fifty-year career at the Alabama Department of Archives and History, Brannon wrote extensively on Alabama's rich history, covering a vast array of topics relating to local history, place names, archaeology, folklore, travel and transportation, material culture, and geography. His weekly column in the Montgomery Advertiser spanned nineteen years and still cited today by professionals and amateurs alike. The columns were just one of the ways Brannon connected with the public in his quest to make history “popular.” Brannon also lectured on, taught about, and advocated for Alabama history to anyone who would give him a hearing, all the while expanding his agency's outreach mission. Newspapers statewide documented his travels and upcoming lectures at various schools, civic organizations and local historical societies. His knowledge of Alabama history led one newspaper to nickname him a “colossus of knowledge.”

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The 1. was funded by Russian czar Peter the Great. In 1728 Bering and his crew 2. through the strait that is now named after him, between the easternmost part of Asia and the westernmost part of the Americas. Their journey 3. that Asia was not connected to North America; however, due to the heavy fog, they never actually saw the nearby land of North America. "Ordinary" was the worst word she could find for anything. She and I would argue fiercely because I wanted to be ordinary as desperately as my mother wanted to be 1. "I can't 2. that hair-do", she said when I went to the hairdresser with my friend and came back with a pageboy haircut straight out of Seventeen magazine, "It's so terribly ordinary". Not ugly, not unsuitable. But ordinary. We made a list of all the food and supplies we would need and spent an entire afternoon searching for the best place to buy our camping equipment. In the end, our tent, our tent, stove and sleeping bags cost a lot of money, but it was worth it. A vacuum B airless C zero. 8. Do you think that robots will ever be able to .... more complicated tasks such as driving or flying a plane? A exist B overcome C perform. 9. By the time Linda gets there, we ...... for her for more than an hour. History has proven time and time again that there are people who can rise above difficulties and face great challenges in a way that is inspiring to all. Many people with serious disabilities often manage to not only look past their condition, but even go on to achieve greatness.