

Deaf Culture Question of the Day #1

What famous Deaf American is credited with inventing newspaper “Want Ads”?

(Scroll down for the answer)

Answer: **George W. Beadell** who attended the New Jersey School for the Deaf and graduated from Gallaudet College in 1885. He was a successful journalist and publisher. He became editor and owner of The Arlington (N.J.) Observer which for many years was “a kingmaker of the state politics.” Mr. Beadell was the first newspaper publisher to develop the “Want Ad Page,” which made many editors and publishers beat a pathway to his door to learn his techniques. (Source: The Deaf in America: Two Hundred Years of Progress, Robert F. Panara, NTID Professor Emeritus of English and Drama)