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**Summary**

Key Events on 23rd May

* On 23rd May 1586, the physician, Timothie Bright of St. Bartholomew’s London hospital wrote his book forward, the “Treatise on Melancholy”. It was the first English book published on mental illness subject with some phrases used in his disordered behavior description which is later used by Shakespeare in his play.
* 1734 is the birth date of Franz Anton Mesmer. He used animal magnetism term with a suggestion to bring cure physically. In psychotherapy, the use of hypnotism is traced back to Mesmerism
* On 1883, Ivan Pavlov received his MD degree from Military Medical Academy Russia. His experiments on doctoral were on hearts’ augmentor nerves.
* On 1905, Roelof Gerbrands was born; he went into experimental equipment business, found a company of experimental psychological equipment, best known for supplying equipment of operant conditioning.
* In the year 1951, Kenneth Clark who is renowned psychologist left with Thurgood Marshall and Robert Carter from New York Penn Station to give his statement on bad effects on segregation due to self-esteem in case of Briggs v. Elliot related to African American Children.
* In the year 1955, article by Lee J. Cronbach was published in Psychological Bulletin.
* In the year 1955, a petition was submitted to create APA 28th Division
* In the year 1983, National Working Conference on Education and Training in Health Psychology was initiated in New York.
* Protection and Advocacy for Mentally Ill Individuals Act were passed by Congress in Public Law 99-319.
* In the year 1990, Cambridge Center for Behavioral studies established the Loebner Prize. This prize is annually given to computer program authors that best mimics human behavior

Key Events on 21st December

* First South Carolina state mental hospital was authorized by state legislature act IN THE YEAR 1821. It was built on four acres of land in South Carolina.
* Jean Henri Fabre in the year 1823 was born. He was a high school teacher in France with interest in insect ethology study. He detailed his papers on insects natural behavior observed close to his house.
* Morton Prince in the year 1854 was born. He uses and promote the abnormal personality study and is a pioneer for presented study in *The Dissociation of Personality (1905).*
* *1888* is the birth date of Anna Berliner. She was the only female student of Wilhelm Wundt’s in doctoral.  Her specialties include experimental optometry, visual perception, and advertising psychology.  Applied experimental psychology was introduced by her during a 10-year sojourn in Japan.  In 1936 she leaves Germany by force and in the United States later she finished her career.
* In the year 1938, American Association Members for the Applied Psychology met at University of Ohio to assign officially the association bylaws to approve APA affiliation with the Advancement of Science American Association.
* Henry Riecken, Leon Festinger, and Stanley Schachter studied the group “doomsday” in 1954 which predicted the end of the world would happen on this day.  The group behavior was reported in the “When Prophesy Fails” book (1956), a cognitive dissonance case study. It was a failed prophecy by this groups.