

Using the Same Bank Account for 98 Years

June Gregg, of Ohio, still uses the same bank account that her father opened for her when she was less than two years old. In other words, she had her present savings account opened in 1913, for June Gregg is 100 years old. It may be a record for bank customer loyalty.

(Yahoo News)

“That perked my ears up, because I was like, ‘1913?!’” said Doug Shoemaker, general manager of what’s now a Huntington National Bank branch in this community, 45 miles south of Columbus. The bank’s investigation found out that not only was it the same account, but also that the account number changed only once, when Columbus-based Huntington acquired the plainly-named Savings Bank in the early 1980s, Shoemaker said.

Renting Newspapers in Africa

(CNN) In Addis Ababa, the capital of Ethiopia, Garum Tesfaye is a landlord, of a sort. He rents newspapers.

Surrounded by worn-out copies of old newspapers, stacks of gossip magazines and the crisp print of the latest news, Tesfaye sits attentively, checking his watch every now and then.

Near him, a pedestrian bridge provides shelter from the sun to dozens of avid readers who quickly, albeit meticulously,

get their dose of the latest news. For 20 to 30 minutes, these readers can get their hands on a newspaper for a fraction of the price of having to buy it. . . . Among his customers are unemployed university graduates who tend to rent several publications a day as they desperately hunt for work.

How much does it cost to rent a newspaper for a few minutes? Less than the equivalent of one American penny.

Home-Grown Innovators Wanted in China



(msnbc) Creating a new generation of higher-skilled workers is both a means and an end for China's ambitious development plan. With wages rising for low-skilled factory jobs, Chinese leaders say they need to expand the base of higher-paying jobs and create the highly trained work force needed to fill those jobs.