

ECOCIDE

is the missing 5th Crime Against Peace

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Crimes Against Humanity
War Crimes
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Crimes of Aggression

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Ecocide

Well-being of all life



damage &
destruction

war

Ecocide

conflict

resource
depletion

ECOCIDE

The extensive destruction, damage to or loss of ecosystem(s) of a given territory, whether by human agency or by other causes, to such an extent that peaceful enjoyment by the inhabitants of that territory has been severely diminished

human-made

other causes

mining

tsunamis

fossil fuel extraction

melting ice

fracking

floods

deforestation

earthquake

BP GULF OIL SPILL

ECOSYSTEM COLLAPSE

Inert Thing

PROPERTY LAW

imposed value \$\$\$

commodity



Living Being

TRUSTEESHIP LAW

intrinsic value

responsibility



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Moral wrong = criminal wrong

Just because it is the norm to destroy the Earth
does not mean that it is right

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crime against humanity

crime against nature

crime against future generations

crime against peace

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ERADICATING ECOCIDE

Exposing the
corporate and
political practices
destroying the planet
and proposing the
laws needed to
eradicate ecocide

**POLLY
HIGGINS**

My wish:
to end Ecocide by 2020

EARTH IS OUR BUSINESS

changing the rules of the game

POLLY HIGGINS

author of the award winning *Eradicating Ecocide*



Eradicating Ecocide is
'as important and ground-breaking
as Rachel Carson's *Silent Spring*'

The Earth is in our
hands

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EARTH**

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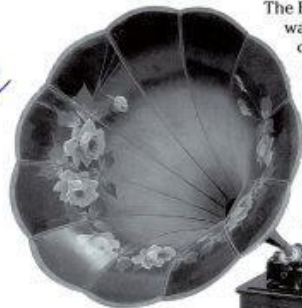
**ALL NATIONS HAVE AGREED TO PROHIBIT ECOCIDE
ALL IT TOOK WAS FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE WORLD
AND ONE WISH TO MAKE IT COME TRUE.**

Wish **20**
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Thomas Alva EDISON

"Genius is 1% inspiration and 99% perspiration"

—Thomas Alva Edison



The Edison Standard was a well-constructed and affordable cylinder phonograph. Shown at left is the popular Model B with an ornately decorated amplifying horn.



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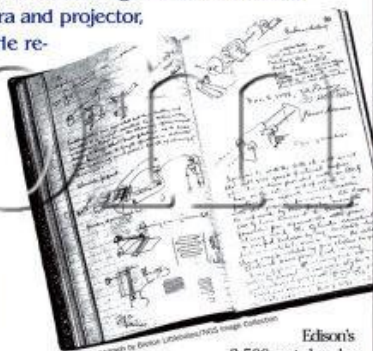
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Typists of the early 1900s transcribe letters recorded on the Ediphone, the first business-dictating machine.

His legacy of 3.5 million pages of letters and lab notes documenting 1,093 patents began early in life. As a 12-year-old newspaper publisher, Edison's profits supported lab equipment for experiments. His insatiable curiosity to know, discover, and develop

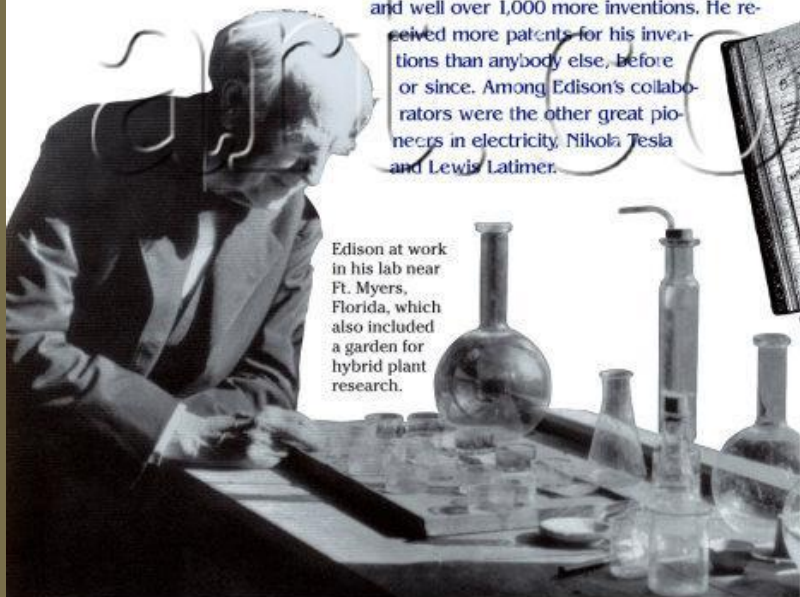
led to his invention of the phonograph, the electric lightbulb, the modern electric power station, the movie camera and projector, and well over 1,000 more inventions. He re-

ceived more patents for his inventions than anybody else, before or since. Among Edison's collaborators were the other great pioneers in electricity, Nikola Tesla and Lewis Latimer.



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Edison's 3,500 notebooks document the creations of history's most prolific inventor.



Edison at work in his lab near Ft. Myers, Florida, which also included a garden for hybrid plant research.

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One of Edison's first Kinetograph films is of laboratory worker Fred Ott acting out a sneeze.

1913—The Kinetophone synchronizes sound and image but proves too unreliable.

1931 Edison dies on October 18.

1847 Thomas Alva Edison born on February 11 in Milan, OH.

1879—First practical incandescent electric lightbulb is perfected in Edison's lab.

1878—Receives a patent for his phonograph.

1870—Opens his first workshop in Newark, NJ.

1881—Creates the Edison Electric Lamp Co. and the Edison Machine Works.

1890—Phonograph recordings of 4 minutes now possible.

1893—Produces the first of 2,000 movies.

1903—The first movie with a plot is filmed, a 15-minute thriller called *The Great Train Robbery*, directed by Edwin S. Porter.

1928—Begins to manufacture radios.

1869—Receives a patent for his first

1889—Produces talking dolls. With

1894—Kinetoscope

1912—Edison and Tesla's mutual dislike and

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