NAME DROPPINGS

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In the November 1994 Kickshaws Peter Newby introduced a style of punning on well-known names of the form “Was Franchot Tone deaf? Was Vincent Price conscious?”, calling them logomotives. Here’s my three cents worth (would Lotte Lenya threepenny)?

Did Yassir Arafat promise?
Is Karen Black balled?
Is David Bowie or girl?
Was John Brown nosy?
Was James Dean swift?
Is Sandy Dennis a menace?
Did James Garner support?
Did Jean Genet say “Pa”? [French]
Was Klein on the bottle?
Did Möbius strip?
Did John Newcomb with his serves?
Is Michael a Palin drone?
Was Ezra Pound foolish?
Was Anthony Quinn essential?
Would Rin Tin Tin pan alley cats?
Is Donald Sutherland Canada?
Was Joanne Woodward drawn and quartered?
Was George Washington Carver a Mount Rushmore sculptor?

Did Lionel or Ethel bury more plays?
Is Kirk or Michael dug less?
Was Faye done away with?
Is Umberto ecological?
Did Federico feel any limit?
Did Kurt girdle logic?
Had Kathryn grace and charm?
What made James joystick?
Is Kim ill sung?
Was Spike-’m ill again?
Did Richard nix an appeal to honesty?
Is Christopher revitalized? [idolized]
I bet Martin scores easy
Was Alan touring the brain?
What caused Mark to wane?
Is Tuesday well devolved?

Was Alexander Graham Bell a dead ringer?
Was Jorge Luis Borges gorgeous?
Was Benjamin Britten personified?
Was Johnny Cash strapped?
Was Daniel Defoe? (Or François Truffaut?)
Are Bruce and Laura Dern good actors?
Was Hans Geiger counterproductive?
Is Margo Kidder serious?
Was Peter Lorre driven?
Is Demi or Roger Moore talented?
Is Kim Novak yum?
Was James Polk slow?
Was Saint Peter the Great Pumpkin Eater?
Did Paul Revere silver?
Does Sissy Spacek cite viewers?
Is Spencer Tracy bone? [French]
Is Dyan Cannon balled?

Now a reversal of style, spelling out the phonetic pun instead of the name, which you must deduce.

Was Francis a sissy for loving animals?
Was Julius seizer of power?
Was Alan or John Foster dullest?
Was Irene done?
Was Mia pharaoh of Egypt?
Is Carrie fish or mammal?
Is Billy gram-negative?
What did Franz Josef hide ‘n’ seek?
Was Danny KOed?
Did Marshall make clue-in?
Was Ogden nationalist? [analyst]
Was Thomas pain-free?
Did the Cardinal rich loo have gold fixtures?
Did Joseph stall in moral development?
Did Mao say tongue twisters?
Does John “up” dike causes?
Is Ellen burstin’ at the seams?