



# THE DAILY CHRONICLE

FRIDAY, JULY 8, 2022

## On This Date

**1760** – British forces defeated French forces in the last naval battle in New France.

**1892** – A small hay fire in a stable started what became a devastating blaze in St. John's, Newfoundland, leaving 11,000 people homeless.

**1906** – Over church opposition, the Tram Car Company of Winnipeg received permission to begin making Sunday runs in order to keep the city progressive.

**1937** – The flying boat *Caledonia* arrived in Montreal. Originating from Southampton, England, the revolutionary flight inaugurated new transatlantic air service.

## History Quiz

In Queensland, Australia, it's illegal to own a pet rabbit unless you're a magician. This is because rabbits are Australia's most destructive agricultural and environmental pest.



## Quote of the Day

“Reviewers must normally function as huff-and-puff artists blowing laggard theatergoers stageward.”

~ *Walter Kerr*

## Happy Birthday!

**Walter Kerr** (1913–1996) was an influential Broadway drama critic, writer, lyricist, and director from Evanston, Illinois. The Pulitzer Prize winner was the editor of his high school newspaper. Kerr continued writing during and after college and a stint teaching speech and drama at Catholic University, eventually getting the job of theater reviewer for the *New York Herald Tribune* in 1951. He moved on to *The New York Times* in 1966. Kerr was widely heralded as a “supercritic” who loved the theater. Broadway's Walter Kerr Theatre is named in his honor.





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**Today is** Collector Car Appreciation Day. Some collectors are suddenly interested in everyday cars, such as the 1964 Honda S600, which sold for just \$1,600. This cute convertible was Honda's first mass-marketed car.

## Garden Party

Donal Currey was a graduate student in 1964 when he discovered a very old Bristlecone pine tree in eastern Nevada known as *Prometheus*. To better study the tree, Currey requested permission from the Forest Service to cut it down. Little did Currey know that he was felling a tree that was over 5,000 years old. Unlike towering redwoods, Bristlecone pines remain short even at a great age. The felling of the tree spurred public outcry. *Prometheus* was lost, but the surrounding area and its trees were preserved in the new Great Basin National Park.

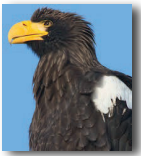
## Word Scramble

L W N D I E D

Diminish gradually in size  
or amount

ANSWER: DWINDLE

## Wild Kingdom

When a Steller's sea eagle from East Asia appeared in New England, many bird watchers thought the creature was lost. Birds that travel far from traditional ranges are known as *vagrants*. Some scientists contend that  *vagrants* are not lost or confused at all, but are adapting to the destruction of native habitats. Climate change may also drive a brave vagrant to migrate farther than ever before. In many instances, the arrival of a vagrant is a delight to birders. In other instances, the visitors are deemed a threat to local biology and are quarantined.

## What's in a Name?

This Wild West train and bank robber, transformed into a legend on the silver screen, was born Robert Leroy Parker.

ANSWER: Butch Cassidy