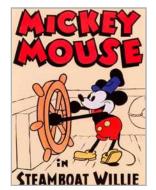
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## On This Date

1928 - Walt Disney premiered



Steamboat Willie at Universal's Colony Theater in New York City, an event considered the official public debut of Mickey Mouse and Minnie Mouse.

1963 – The Bell System introduced the first push-button telephone to the public, replacing the slow rotary dial with a sleek keypad using Touch-Tone technology. The first model, the Western Electric 1500, featured 10 buttons, and later versions added the now-familiar asterisk and pound keys.

1991 – After enduring 1,763 days in captivity, Anglican Church envoy Terry Waite was released by Shiite Muslim kidnappers in Lebanon. His release, alongside American educator Thomas Sutherland, followed intense UN-led negotiations.

## **Did You Know?**

Steamboat Willie was one of the first cartoons to feature synchronized sound.

## **Quote of the Day**

"The answers you get from literature depend on the questions you pose."

~ Margaret Atwood

## Happy Birthday!

Margaret Atwood, born in 1939, is a Canadian author known for her literary achievements and activism. She began writing at a young age and published her first book in 1961. Atwood gained worldwide recognition for her novels, including *The Handmaid's Tale* and *Alias Grace*, exploring themes of dystopia,



gender, and power. A versatile writer, she has also penned poetry, essays, and children's literature. Throughout her life, Atwood has received numerous awards and

honors, including the Booker Prize and the Arthur C. Clarke Award. Her work continues to spark dialogue on social and political issues.