



THE DAILY CHRONICLE

SUNDAY, APRIL 21, 2024

On This Date

753 BC – Today is the date that legends claim as the founding of Rome. Recent discoveries by archaeologists on Palatine Hill have also dated the origins of Rome to approximately this date.

1944 – Suffrage was extended to women in France by the French Provisional government.

1997 – A spacecraft delivered the cremated remains of *Star Trek* creator Gene Roddenberry to his space burial. The ashes were released into space and orbited for about 10 years before being pulled back by gravity and disintegrating upon reentry into Earth's atmosphere.



Did You Know?

Though a giant in the literary world, Charlotte Brontë was quite petite in stature. Brontë was said to be a few inches short of five feet tall and very slight in build. Her sister Emily was a full foot taller.

Quote of the Day

“I am no bird; and no net ensnares me: I am a free human being with an independent will.”

~ Charlotte Brontë, in *Jane Eyre*

Happy Birthday!

Charlotte Brontë (1816–1855) was an influential English novelist and poet. Best known for her classic novel *Jane Eyre*, Brontë, along with her sisters Emily and Anne, made significant contributions to English literature under the pen name Currer Bell. Brontë's works, including *Shirley* and *Villette*, explore complex characters and social issues. Her impact on literature endures, and her exploration of themes such as feminism and social injustice continues to resonate with readers worldwide.





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Today is National Bulldogs are Beautiful Day. A day to appreciate the distinct beauty they bring into our lives, from their endearing wrinkles to their distinctive snorts. Admire and cherish bulldogs on this special day!

Picture of the Day



This is why Santa never lets the Easter Bunny borrow his sleigh.

Now it's your turn to come up with a good caption.

What's in a Name?

This boxer with a sweet fighting style was born Walker Smith Jr.

ANSWER: Sugar Ray Robinson

Root of the Matter

In stitches

If you tell a joke that leaves your audience *in stitches*, it means that they are laughing so hard it hurts as much as being pricked with a sharp needle. The expression was first used by Shakespeare in the play *Twelfth Night*, where a character mentions how she will make someone “laugh yourself into stitches.” A stitch originally was a sharp thrust, prick, pinch, or stab. The term *stitch* is still often used to describe the muscular cramping or pain in the side of the abdomen that occurs sometimes when running. Drinking water may relieve a side stitch but not a laugh attack.

Word Scramble

E C G O A U R

The ability to do something frightening

ANSWER: COURAGE