



THE DAILY CHRONICLE

TUESDAY, MAY 18, 2021

On This Date

1897 – Irish writer Bram Stoker published his horror novel *Dracula*. Stoker spent years researching European folklore and stories of vampires before writing it.



1910 – A mixture of fear and excitement swept the public as Earth was due to pass through the tail of Halley's comet the following day. Although assured by scientists that there was nothing to worry about, many people bought gas masks and pills designed to counteract the comet poison, thinking that poisonous gasses would fill the atmosphere.

1980 – Mount St. Helens, a volcano in southwestern Washington, produced a massive eruption, which removed 1,300 feet off of its summit. Ash was deposited in 11 states.

Celebrity Trivia

Perry Como was born the seventh son of a seventh son.

Quote of the Day

“I worked with the world's greatest talents and then went home to the world's greatest woman. It was, and is, a great life.”

~ Perry Como

Happy Birthday!

Perry Como (1912–2001), who was known as “Mr. C,” was an Italian American singer and actor. Como hosted popular musical variety television shows, winning five Emmy Awards in the 1950s for his work. He was also an accomplished singer and movie star in such films as *Doll Face* and *If I'm Lucky*. He has three stars on the Hollywood Walk of Fame, one each for his outstanding contributions to radio, music, and TV. He and his wife, Roselle, were married for 65 years and raised three children together.





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Today is International Museum Day. This year's theme is "The Future of Museums: Recover and Reimagine." More than 37,000 museums around the world take part in this day of cultural exchange, enrichment, and cooperation.

Weather or Not

Some clouds look like ocean waves breaking in the sky. These rare and beautiful clouds are known as Kelvin-Helmholtz clouds, and they



might very well have been the inspiration for Van Gogh's painting *Starry Night*. The clouds occur when there is a difference in density between two air masses: warmer, lighter air flows quickly over cooler, denser air, creating the wave-like pattern. Because the clouds are formed by moving air, they are most likely to be found on windy days.

Buy a Vowel

B _ _ S T _ R _ _ S

Noisy, energetic, cheerful,
and rowdy

ANSWER: BOISTEROUS

You Are What You Eat

Miami is well known for its Cuban hamburger, known as the *frita Cubana*. The hamburger patty is made of ground beef, which is sometimes mixed with pork or spicy chorizo. The burger is traditionally served on a Cuban roll and topped with shoestring potato fries, although nowadays it can be found with chopped onions and spicy ketchup. The *frita Cubana* was a popular Cuban street food in the 1920s and was brought to Miami in 1961 by Dagoberto Estevil when he opened up the city's first *frita* joint in Little Havana.

Who Said So?

This monumental Russian writer of several literary masterpieces said,
"The sole meaning of life is
to serve humanity."

ANSWER: Leo Tolstoy