



THE DAILY CHRONICLE

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On This Date

336 – The first recorded celebration of Christmas on December 25 took place in Rome.

337 – Pope Julius I declared today the celebration of the Nativity, attempting to create a Christian alternative to the pagan winter solstice celebration of Saturnalia.

1066 – Completing the Norman conquest of England, William the Conqueror was crowned King of England at Westminster Abbey.

1223 – Catholic friar St. Francis of Assisi assembled the first live Nativity scene in Greccio, Italy.

1741 – Astronomer and physicist Anders Celsius introduced the centigrade temperature scale.

Did You Know?

Civil War-era political cartoonist Thomas Nast is responsible for modern depictions of Santa Claus and created the Republican party's elephant.

Quote of the Day

“The whole world is three drinks behind. If everyone in the world would take three drinks, we would have no trouble.”

~ *Humphrey Bogart, actor*

Happy Birthday!

Humphrey Bogart (1899–1957) was born into a wealthy New York family. His mother was an artistic director for a women's magazine. Bogart first achieved national fame when a drawing of him as a baby was used in a national baby food ad. After struggling in school, Bogart joined the navy at age 17. After his service, he turned to acting. At first, he was typecast as a villain, but after his turn as Sam Spade in



1941's *The Maltese Falcon*, he became Hollywood's most sought-after leading man and a legend in his own right.