MONDAY, MAY 17, 2021

On This Date

1875 – Oliver Lewis rode Aristides to victory and won a purse of \$2,850 in the first running of the Kentucky Derby.

1954 – The U.S. Supreme Court



unanimously ruled for school integration in *Brown v. Board of Education*.

1999 – Ontario native Alex Trebek was honored with a star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame. The beloved TV personality had already won several Emmy awards.

Daily Quiz

Q: Which U.S. Civil War general popularized a new men's hairstyle that became known as sideburns?

A: Civil War Union General Ambrose E. Burnside earned a niche in history for his muttonchops.



Quote of the Day

"Cool Papa Bell was so fast he could get out of bed, turn out the lights across the room, and be back in bed under the covers before the lights went out."

~ *Josh Gibson*, fellow baseball player and iconic power hitter

Happy Birthday!

James "Cool Papa" Bell (1903–1991) was a professional baseball player with exemplary speed, skill, and



tenacity who grew up in Mississippi. He played center field in America's Negro leagues between 1922 and 1946. Racism

kept him from competing in the Major Leagues. Bell is known as one of the fastest men to have played the game. His outrageous exploits running (and stealing) the bases are legendary—his lifetime batting average of .337 isn't bad, either.

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On this day in 1859, the Melbourne Football Club codified the rules of Australian Rules Football. William Hammersley, James Thompson, Tom Smith, and Tom Wills agreed on 10 original rules, which have since changed.

Eye in the Sky

Titan is an apt name for Saturn's largest moon, although it is less than half the size of Earth. Another great name is Kraken Mare, the massive sea of liquid methane on Titan that was discovered in 2008 and named for the legendary sea monster. It is larger than all five Great Lakes combined. Scientists estimate that Kraken Mare is more than 1,000 feet deep at its center and large enough to be explored by a robotic submarine. Titan is a billion miles from Earth and freezing cold, yet it looks a little like home with its rivers, lakes, and seas of methane.

Whatchamacallit? What do you call a group of cranes?

throng

sedge

pomp

mob

VNZMEK: ZEDGE

Wild Kingdom

An old English legend states that six ravens must inhabit the Tower of London at all times, for "if the Tower

of London ravens are lost or fly away, the Crown will fall and Britain with it." In the 1600s, King Charles II



decreed that a captive population of ravens must be kept in the Tower, cared for by an official Ravenmaster. England was in a panic last January when one of the ravens, the "queen" of the tower named Merlina, went missing. She is sadly believed to have passed away, but luckily for the kingdom, six ravens remain.

Riddle Me This

What question can you ask all day long, always get a different answer, but the answer is always correct?

ANSWER: "What time is it?"