



THE DAILY CHRONICLE

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 9, 2021

On This Date

1534 – Looking for gold and a northwest passage to the Orient, Jacques Cartier sailed into the mouth of the St. Lawrence River. He named the river for St. Lawrence because it was the saint's feast day. Certain that he had reached an Asian coast, Cartier returned to France in September.

1934 – Donald Duck made his film debut in *The Wise Little Hen*. Voice actor Clarence Nash performed Donald's voice, one of the most identifiable in all of animation.

1973 – Secretariat won the Belmont Stakes to become the first horse to win the Triple Crown in 25 years. He won by an amazing 31 lengths.

Daily Trivia

The Washington Monument shows a subtle change in color about one-quarter of the way up, because a lack of donations caused construction to be halted from 1854 to 1877.



Quote of the Day

“Birds do it, bees do it,
even educated fleas do it.
Let's do it, let's fall in love.”

~ *Cole Porter*

Happy Birthday!

Cole Porter (1891–1964) was a composer and songwriter. His works include the musical comedies *Kiss Me, Kate* (based on Shakespeare's *The Taming of the Shrew*), *Fifty Million Frenchmen*, and *Anything Goes*, as well as many popular songs like “Night and Day” and “I've Got You Under My Skin.” Porter was noted for his sophisticated lyrics, clever rhymes, and complex forms. Irving Berlin used to refer to Porter's “Begin the Beguine” as “that long, long song.” He suffered serious injuries to his legs in a horse-riding accident in 1937 that bothered him for the rest of his life.





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On this day in 1973, Secretariat became the first horse since 1948 to win the Triple Crown. He did it in style, too, smashing records along the way and completing the Belmont Stakes, a 1.5-mile race, in just two minutes and 24 seconds.

Eye in the Sky

Last March, residents of Vermont were jolted out of their routines when a fireball streaked through the sky. The tiny meteor was just six inches in



diameter and weighed only 10 pounds, but it traveled at 42,000 miles

per hour, and when it exploded, it created a pressure wave strong enough to rattle buildings and cars and cause tremors in the ground. It is estimated that the explosion was equivalent to detonating 440 pounds of TNT. No wonder it was heard for miles. Astronomers believe that the big show in the Vermont sky was made by just a tiny fragment of an asteroid entering Earth's atmosphere.

Riddle Me This

All about the house, with his lady he dances. Yet he always works, and never romances.

ANSWER: He is a broom.

Where Am I?

I am in one of the world's most unique and expansive underwater ecosystems. It would take weeks to explore the entire place, for it is as large as Japan, so I must be satisfied with enjoying small bits and pieces. While the colorful coral made this place famous, its vast plains of seagrass, mangrove forests, and sponge gardens are teeming with underwater life: sharks, sea turtles, crocodiles, jellyfish, whales, dolphins, and thousands of fish species. After exploring for the day, maybe I'll enjoy some shrimp on the barbie. Where am I?

ANSWER: Great Barrier Reef, Australia

Buy a Vowel

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The power to choose for oneself

ANSWER: VOLITION