



THE DAILY CHRONICLE

THURSDAY, JULY 22, 2021

On This Date

1298 – English troops used longbows for the first time, defeating the Scottish army at the Battle of Falkirk. The longbow has been called the machine gun of the Middle Ages. The deadly contraption had a long range and could fire six arrows a minute.

1933 – Caterina Jarboro became the first black prima donna of an opera company. The singer performed *Aida* at the Hippodrome in New York.

1959 – The first Canadian jazz festival opened in Toronto, featuring Oscar Peterson, Maynard Ferguson, and special guest Louis Armstrong.

Daily Trivia

Banana-flavored cream originally filled the center of the Hostess Twinkie. A World War II shortage led to the change to vanilla-flavored filling.



Quote of the Day

“The modern rule is that every woman should be her own chaperone.”

~ Amy Vanderbilt

Happy Birthday!

Amy Vanderbilt (1908–1974) was an authority on manners who published the best-selling book *Amy Vanderbilt's Complete Book of Etiquette* in 1952. An updated edition is still in circulation today and is considered a standard of etiquette writing. From 1954 to 1960, Vanderbilt hosted the television program *It's in Good Taste*. She then hosted the radio program *The Right Thing to Do* from 1960 to 1962. Her 1961 *Amy Vanderbilt's Complete Cookbook* was illustrated by Andy Warhol.





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Today is Hammock Day, a day to enjoy an outdoor snooze while hanging in the comfortable sling. Christopher Columbus first observed hammocks in use by the Taíno people of the Bahamas, and he brought them back to Europe.

Think-tionary

Panglossian

- A. A very short statement that perfectly sums up or explains a very complex problem
- or
- B. Extremely optimistic, even in the face of great adversity or hardship

ANSWER: B. As I've grown older, I've become less cynical and more Panglossian.

When Was It?



It was during this year that Jackie Robinson retired from the Dodgers rather than be traded to the New York Giants. Wham-O produced the first Frisbee. Buddy Holly recorded "That'll Be the Day." Larry King conducted his first radio broadcast. Althea Gibson won Wimbledon for the first time, and Jack Kerouac's *On the Road* was published. When was it?

ANSWER: 1957

Root of the Matter

Cold shoulder

If you're angry at someone, you might want to give them the *cold shoulder* to make them feel unwelcome. Linguists believe this phrase originated as a polite way to tell dinner guests that it was time to leave. After a feast, hosts would signal the revelry was over by giving away slices of cold meat cut from the shoulder of beef or mutton. The expression might be a mistranslation of a Latin phrase that included the word *umerus*, which means *back*, but was translated as *shoulder*.

Buy a Vowel

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To describe in accuracy
and detail

ANSWER: DELINEATE