



THE DAILY CHRONICLE

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On This Date

1885 – Jumbo the Elephant of the Barnum & Bailey Circus died in St. Thomas, Ontario, when a locomotive accidentally struck him.

1916 – The British used tanks for the first time during the Battle of the Somme in World War I. While the tanks did not bring a victory for the Allies, General Douglas Haig realized their potential and ordered hundreds more.

1954 – The iconic picture of Marilyn Monroe laughing as the skirt of her white dress was blown up by a subway vent was carefully planned by her pal, photographer Sam Shaw, during the filming of the movie *The Seven Year Itch*.

Daily Trivia

In 1199, King Richard the Lionheart laughed at a French archer wielding a crossbow and using a frying pan as a makeshift shield. But the French soldier got the last laugh. He shot Richard, who died of his wounds weeks later.

Quote of the Day

“Good advice is always certain to be ignored, but that’s no reason not to give it.”

~ *Agatha Christie*

Happy Birthday!

Agatha Christie (1890–1976) wrote 80 detective novels as well as numerous short stories and plays, revolutionizing the mystery story. Her works have been translated into over 100 languages, and roughly four billion copies of her novels have been sold. Two of her best-loved characters are Detective Hercule Poirot and Miss Marple. After divorcing her first husband, she married archaeologist Max Mallowan. Agatha received the title Dame Commander of the Order of the British Empire.

