



# THE DAILY CHRONICLE

MONDAY, MAY 9, 2022

## On This Date

**1671** – Thomas Blood attempted to steal the Crown Jewels from the Tower of London. He would later be condemned to death but was mysteriously pardoned by King Charles II.

**1865** – A patent was issued to Richard Gatling for his ten-barreled machine gun. He thought if a rapid-firing gun could enable one man to do what previously required many men, then armies could be smaller, saving soldiers from exposure to battle and disease.

**1960** – The U.S. Food and Drug Administration approved a pill for birth control use. “The Pill” was a catalyst for the sexual revolution.

## Daily Trivia

The “lead” in pencils, which is actually graphite, has something in common with diamonds—both are crystalline forms of pure carbon. Graphite under extreme pressure and temperature is converted into the shiny rocks we call diamonds.

## Quote of the Day

“The dog has an enviable mind; it remembers the nice things in life and quickly blots out the nasty.”

~ *Barbara Woodhouse*

## Happy Birthday!

**Barbara Woodhouse** (1910–1988) was a celebrated British dog trainer, author, and television host who grew up in Ireland. Her family moved to England when her father died in 1919. Initially, she worked with horses before turning her attention to training dogs. Woodhouse is famous for her assessment that “there is no such thing as a difficult dog, only an inexperienced owner.” Her “no bad dog” philosophy was chronicled in her writings, including the books *Talking to Animals* and *No Bad Dogs*. She also starred in the BBC TV show *Training Dogs the Woodhouse Way*.

