SUNDAY, MAY 15, 2022

On This Date

1858 – The present-day Royal Opera House in Covent Garden, London, was opened to the public.

1872 – More than 1,500 workers in Hamilton, Ontario, marched to demand a nine-hour workday in Canada's first organized labor protest.

1941 – Britain's first jet-propelled aircraft, the *Gloster-Whittle*, made its first flight.

1990 – Portrait of Doctor Gachet by Vincent van Gogh sold for a record \$82.5 million. The canvas was painted during the last few months of Van Gogh's life.



Seabiscuit Quiz

Did the horse-racing legend Seabiscuit show promise from the start?

Answer: No. In fact, Seabiscuit began his career with a sorry 0-17 record.

Quote of the Day

"I have vertigo. Vertigo makes it feel like the floor is pitching up and down. It's like standing on the deck of a ship in really high seas."

~ Laura Hillenbrand

Happy Birthday!

Laura Hillenbrand, born in 1967, is the best-selling writer of the gripping nonfiction tomes Seabiscuit: An American Legend (2001) and Unbroken: A World War II Story of Survival, Resilience, and Redemption (2010). Both smash

hits became book club favorites and have been adapted into popular films. What makes the acclaimed author's



success even more impressive is that she wrote much of both books while bedridden due to chronic fatigue syndrome, from which she has suffered since college.