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Although Nosy Komba hosts a traditionally protected forest and an arboretum established in the colonial era, protection for the latter is essentially unenforced, and illegal logging continues. Only small pockets of old-growth forest remain, in remote areas. (Full article...) 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This panoramic photograph shows the main span of the Hell Gate Bridge. The photograph was taken in 2023 looking northeast from the neighboring Robert F. Kennedy Bridge, with Wards Island on the left of the image and Astoria on the right. A tugboat tows a barge in the foreground. Photo credit: Rhodonides Recently added: Blanda Bluespoiled ribbontail ray Black Lives Matter art Archipelago pictures Community portal The central hub for editors, with resources, links, tasks, and announcements Village pump - Forum for discussions about Wikipedia itself, including policies and technical issues Site news - Sources of news about Wikipedia and the broader Wikimedia movement Teahouse - Ask basic questions about using or editing Wikipedia Help desk - Ask questions about using or editing Wikipedia Reference desk - Ask research questions about encyclopedic topics Content portals

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Smith, 6th President of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints (b. 1838) November 20 - John Gahr, Swedish painter (b. 1862) November 23 - Rose Cleveland, de facto First Lady of the United States (b. 1846) November 23 - Fritz von Beluss, German general (b. 1853) November 30 - Karl Petrovich Jessel, Russian general (b. 1852) November 30 - Sidónio Pais, Sultan Ali Gun Hamud of Zanzibar December 2 - Edmund Rostand, French writer (b. 1868), Spanish flu December 4 - Princess Terivaetua of Tahiti (b. 1869), Spanish flu December 5 - Schalk Willem Burger, Boer military leader, lawyer, politician, statesman, and Acting President of the South African Republic (1900-1902) (b. 1852) December 9 - Samuel Sweet Green, American library pioneer (b. 1837) December 11 - Ivan Cankar, Slovenian writer (b. 1876), Spanish flu December 13 - Emory Speer, American politician, jurist, and United States district judge from 1885 until 1918 (b. 1848) December 14 - Sidónio Pais, Portuguese politician, general, diplomat, 66th Prime Minister of Portugal and 4th President of Portugal (b. 1872), assassinated December 20 - Sultan Ali bin Hamud of Zanzibar (b. 1884) December 21 - Prince Konrad of Hohenlohe-Waldenburg-Schillingsfürst, Austrian statesman, former Prime Minister (b. 1863) December 28 - Olavo Bilac, Brazilian poet (b. 1865) Spring - Vyacheslav Troyanov, Russian general (b. 1875) Yakov Zhilinsky, Russian general (b. 1853) Physics - Max Planck Chemistry - Fritz Haber[66] Medicine - not awarded Literature - not awarded Peace - not awarded ^ Barry, John M. 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The newly formed Imperial Japanese Navy defeats the remnants of the Tokugawa shogunate navy in the Sea of Japan off the city of Hakodate, leading to the surrender of the Ezo Republic on May 17.[14] 1871 - The National Association, the first professional baseball league, opens its first season in Fort Wayne, Indiana.[15] 1886 - Haymarket affair: In Chicago, United States, a homemade bomb is thrown at police officers trying to break up a labor rally, killing one officer. Ensuing gunfire leads to the deaths of a further seven officers and four civilians.[16] 1904 - The United States begins construction of the Panama Canal. 1910 - The Royal Canadian Navy is created.[17] 1912 - Italy occupies the Ottoman island of Rhodes. 1919 - May Fourth Movement: Student demonstrations take place in Tiananmen Square in Beijing, China, protesting the Treaty of Versailles, which transferred ex-territory to Japan. 1926 - The United Kingdom general strike begins. 1927 - The Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences is incorporated.[18] 1932 - Having been incarcerated at the Cook County Jail since his sentencing on October 24, 1931, mobster Al Capone is transferred to the federal penitentiary in Atlanta after the U.S. Supreme Court denies his appeal for conviction of tax evasion.[19] 1942 - World War II: The Battle of the Coral Sea begins with an attack by aircraft from the United States aircraft carrier USS Yorktown on Japanese naval forces at Tulagi Island in the Solomon Islands. The Japanese forces had invaded Tulagi the day before. 1945 - World War II: Neuengamme concentration camp near Hamburg is liberated by the British Army. 1946 - World War II: The German surrender at Lüneburg Heath is signed, coming into effect the following day. It encompasses all Wehrmacht units in the Netherlands, Denmark and northwest Germany. 1946 - In San Francisco Bay, U.S. Marines from the nearby Treasure Island Naval Base stop a two-day riot at Alcatraz Federal Penitentiary. Five people are killed in the riot. 1949 - The entire Torino football team (except for two players who did not take the trip: Sauro Tomà, due to an injury and Renato Gandolfi, because of cash request) is killed in a plane crash. 1953 - Ernest Hemingway wins the Pulitzer Prize for The Old Man and the Sea. 1959 - The 1st Annual Grammy Awards are held. 1961 - American civil rights movement: The "Freedom Riders" begin a bus trip through the South. 1961 - Malcolm Ross and Victor Prather attain a new altitude record for manned balloon flight ascending in the Strato-Lab V over gondola to 113,740 feet (34,67 km). 1970 - Vietnam War: Kent State shootings: The Ohio National Guard, sent to Kent State University after disturbances in the city of Kent the weekend before, opens fire killing four unarmed students and wounding nine others. The students were protesting the Cambodian Campaign of the United States and South Vietnam. 1972 - The Don't Make A Wave Committee, a fledgling environmental organization founded in Canada in 1971, officially changes its name to "Greenpeace Foundation". 1973 - The 108-story Sears Tower in Chicago is topped out at 1,451 feet (442 m) as the world's tallest building.[20] 1978 - The South African Defence Force attacks a SWAPO base at Cassinga in the 39th Yokozuna, killing about 600 people.[21] 1979 - Margaret Thatcher becomes the first female Prime Minister of the United Kingdom. 1982 - Twenty sailors are killed when the British Type 42 destroyer HMS Sheffield is hit by an Argentinian Exocet missile during the Falklands War. 1988 - The PEPCON disaster rocks Henderson, Nevada, as tons of Space Shuttle fuel detonate during a fire. 1989 - Iran–Contra affair: Former White House aide Oliver North is convicted of three crimes and acquitted of nine other charges; the convictions are later overturned on appeal. 1989 - Space Shuttle Atlantis launches on mission STS-30 to deploy the Venus-bound Magellan space probe.[22] 1990 - Latvia declares independence from the Soviet Union. 1994 - Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin and PLO leader Yasser Arafat sign a peace accord, granting self-rule in the Gaza Strip and Jericho. 1998 - A federal judge in Sacramento, California, gives "Unabomber" Theodore Kaczynski four life sentences plus 30 years after Kaczynski accepts a plea agreement sparing him from the death penalty. 2000 - Ken Livingstone becomes the first Mayor of London (an office separate from that of the Lord Mayor of London). 2002 - One hundred three people are killed and 51 are injured in a plane crash near Mallam Aminu Kano International Airport in Kano, Nigeria.[23] 2007 - Greensburg, Kansas is almost completely destroyed by the 2007 Greensburg tornado, a 1.7-mile wide EF5 tornado. It was the first-ever tornado to be rated as such in the new Enhanced Fujita scale. 2014 - Three people are killed and 62 injured in a pair of bombings on buses near Nairobi, Kenya.[24] 2019 - The inaugural all-female motorsport series, W Series, takes place at Hockenheimring. The race was won by Jamie Chadwick, who would go on to become the inaugural season's champion.[25] 2023 - Nine people are killed and thirteen injured in a spree shooting in Mladenovac and Smederevo, Serbia. It is the second mass shooting in the country in two days.[26][27][28] 1006 - Khwaja Abdullah Ansari, Persian mystic and poet (died 1088) 1559 - Alice Spencer, English noblewoman (died 1637) 1634 - Katherine Ferrers, English aristocrat and heiress (died 1660) 1649 - Chhatrasal, Indian ruler (died 1731) 1655 - Bartolomeo Cristoforo, Italian instrument maker, invented the piano (died 1731) 1677 - Françoise-Marie de Bourbon, French noblewoman (died 1749) 1715 - Richard Graves, English minister and author (died 1804) 1733 - Jean-Charles de Borda, French mathematician, physicist, and sailor (died 1799) 1752 - John Brooks, American soldier and politician, 11th Governor of Massachusetts (died 1825) 1757 - Manuel Tolsá, Spanish sculptor and first director of the Academy of San Carlos in Mexico City (died 1816) 1767 - Tyagaraja, Indian composer (died 1847) 1770 - François Gérard, French painter (died 1837) 1772 - Friedrich Arnold Brockhaus, German publisher (died 1823) 1796 - Horace Mann, American educator and politician (died 1859) 1796 - William Pennington, American lawyer and politician, 13th Governor of New Jersey, 23rd Speaker of the United States House of Representatives (died 1862) 1796 - William H. Prescott, American historian and scholar (died 1859) 1820 - Julia Gardiner Tyler, American wife of John Tyler, 11th First Lady of the United States (died 1889) 1820 - John Whiteaker, American soldier, judge, and politician, 1st Governor of Oregon (died 1902) 1822 - Charles Boucher de Boucherville, Canadian physician and politician, 3rd Premier of Quebec (died 1915) 1825 - Thomas Henry Huxley, English biologist, anatomist, and academic (died 1895) 1825 - Augustus Le Plongeon, English-American historian, photographer, and academic (died 1908) 1826 - Frederic Edwin Church, American painter (died 1900) 1827 - John Hanning Speke, English soldier and explorer (died 1864) 1843 - Bianka Blume, German opera singer (died 1896)[29] 1851 - Thomas Dewing, American painter (died 1938) 1852 - Alice Liddell, English model (died 1934) 1883 - Wang Jingwei, Chinese politician (died 1944) 1884 - Richard Bagdadiyev, English army officer and cricketer (died 1975)[30] 1887 - Andrew Dasburg, French-American painter (died 1979) 1889 - Francis Spellman, American cardinal (died 1967)[31] 1890 - Franklin Carmichael, Canadian painter (died 1945) 1902 - Ronnie Aird, English cricketer and administrator (died 1986) 1903 - Luther Alder, American actor (died 1984) 1905 - Al Dexter, American country singer-songwriter and guitarist (died 1984) 1907 - Lincoln Kirstein, American soldier and playwright, co-founder of the New York City Ballet (died 1966) 1907 - Walter Walsh, American politician, 23rd Premier of Victoria (born 1831) 1916 - Willie Pearse, Irish rebel (born 1881) 1916 - Joseph Plunkett, Irish rebel and writer (born 1887) 1919 - Milan Rastislav Štefánik, Slovak general and politician (born 1880) 1922 - Viktor Klingssepp, Estonian politician (born 1888) 1923 - Ralph McKittick, American golfer and tennis player (born 1877) 1924 - E. Nesbit, English author and poet (born 1858) 1937 - Gina Osello, Norwegian opera singer (born 1858)[45] 1938 - Kanō Jigorō, Japanese founder of judo (born 1860) 1938 - Carl von Ossietzky, German journalist and activist, Nobel Prize laureate (born 1889) 1941 - Chris McKivat, Australian rugby player and coach (born 1880) 1945 - Fedor von Bock, German field marshal (born 1880) 1953 - Alexandre Pharamond, French rugby player (born 1876)[46] 1955 - George Enescu, Romanian pianist, composer, and conductor (born 1881) 1964 - Karl Robert Pusta, Estonian politician, 4th Estonian Minister of Foreign Affairs (born 1883) 1969 - Osbert Sitwell, English-Italian author and poet (born 1892) 1971 - William Brown Meloney, writer and theatrical producer (born 1902)[47] 1972 - Father Chrysanthus, Dutch arachologist (born 1905)[48] 1972 - Edward Calvin Kendall, American chemist and academic, Nobel Prize laureate (born 1886) 1973 - Jane Bowles, American author and playwright (born 1917) 1975 - Mo Howard, American actor, singer, and screenwriter (born 1897) 1976 - Frank Strahan, Australian public servant (born 1886) 1980 - Josip Broz Tito, Yugoslav field marshal and politician, 1st President of Yugoslavia (born 1892) 1981 - C. Logathan, Sri Lankan banker (born 1913) 1983 - Nino Sanzogni, Italian conductor and composer (born 1911) 1984 - Diana Dors, English actress (born 1931) 1985 - Fikri Sönmez, Turkish tailor and politician (born 1933) 1985 - Clarence Wiseman, English-Canadian 10th General of The Salvation Army (born 1907) 1987 - Paul Butterfield, American singer and harmonica player (born 1942)[49] 1987 - Cathryn Damon, American actress (born 1930) 1989 - Lillian Estelle Fisher, American historian of Spanish America (born 1931) 1990 - Emily Remler, American pianist (born 1937) 1991 - Mohammed Abdel Wahab, Egyptian singer-songwriter and mandolin player (born 1902) 1992 - Gregor Margenzie, Scottish politician (born 1927) 1993 - France Štiglic, Slovenian film director and screenwriter (born 1919) 1995 - Connie Wisniewski, American baseball player (born 1922)[50] 2000 - Hendrik Casimir, Dutch physicist and academic (born 1909) 2001 - Bonita Lee Bakley, American singer-songwriter, wife of Robert Blake (born 1956) 2004 - David Reimer, Canadian man, born male but reassigned female and raised as a girl after a botched circumcision (born 1965)[51] 2005 - David Hackworth, American colonel and journalist (born 1930) 2008 - Fred Baur, American chemist and founder of Pringles (born 1918)[52] 2009 - Dom DeLuise, American actor, director, and producer (born 1933) 2011 - Sammy McCrory, Northern Irish footballer (born 1924) 2012 - Mort Lindsey, American pianist, composer, and conductor (born 1923) 2012 - Bob Stewart, American television producer, founded Stewart Tele Enterprises (born 1920) 2012 - Adam Yauch, American rapper and director (born 1964) 2012 - Rashidi Yekini, Nigerian footballer (born 1963) 2013 - Otis Bowen, American physician and politician, 44th Governor of Indiana (born 1918) 2013 - Christian de Duve, English-Belgian cytologist and biochemist, Nobel Prize laureate (born 1917) 2013 - Javier Diez Canseco, Peruvian sociologist and politician (born 1948) 2013 - Mario Machado, Chinese-American journalist and actor (born 1935) 2013 - Morgan Morgan-Giles, English admiral and politician (born 1914) 2013 - César Portillo de la Luz, Cuban guitarist and composer (born 1922) 2014 - Dick Ayers, American author and illustrator (born 1924) 2014 - Elena Baltacha, Ukrainian-Scottish tennis player (born 1983) 2014 - Edgar Cortright, American scientist and engineer (born 1923) 2014 - Helga Königsdorf, German physicist and actor (born 1938) 2014 - Ross Lonsberry, Canadian-American ice hockey player (born 1947) 2014 - Jean-Paul Gouppandé, Central African politician, Prime Minister of the Central African Republic (born 1948) 2015 - William Bast, American screenwriter and author (born 1931) 2015 - Ellen Albertini Dow, American actress (born 1913) 2015 - Mary Hubbard, American football player (born 1946)[53] 2016 - Jean-Baptiste Bagaza, Burundian politician (born 1946) 2020 - Don Shula, American football player and coach (born 1930)[54] 2020 - Greg Zanis, American carpenter and activist (born 1950)[55] 2021 - Nick Kamen, English model, singer, songwriter (born 1962)[56] 2024 - Ron Kavana, Irish singer, songwriter, guitarist and band leader (born 1950)[57] 2024 - Frank Stella, American painter (born 1936)[58] Anti-Bullying Day (United Nations) Cassinga Day (United Nations) Bird Day (United States) Cassinga Day (Namibia) Christian feast day: Blessed Ceterino Giménez Malia Blessed Michal Giedryś English Saints and Martyrs of the Reformation Era (Church of England) F. C. D. Wyneken (Lutheran Church–Missouri Synod) Florian José María Rubio Judas Cyriacus Monica of Hippo (1960 Roman Catholic Calendar) Sacerdos of Limoges Venerius of Milan May 4 (Eastern Orthodox liturgics) Coal Miners Day (India)[59] Death of Milan Rastislav Štefánik Day (Slovakia) Greenery Day (Japan) International Firefighters' Day May Fourth Movement commemorations: Literary Day (Republic of China) Youth Day (China) Remembrance Day for Martyrs and Disabled (Afghanistan) Remembrance of the Dead (Netherlands) Restoration of Independence Day (Latvia) Star Wars Day (International observance) World Give Day Youth Day (Fiji) ^ Flannery, John M. (2013). The Mission of the Portuguese Augustinians to Persia and Beyond (1602-1747). Lieden: Brill. p. 40. ISBN 9789004243828. ^ Bray, Gerald (2018). "On the Truth of Holy Scripture (1377-1378) John Wycliffe (c. 1328-1384)". In Kapic, Kelly M.; Madueme, Hans (eds.). Reading Christian Theology in the Protestant Tradition. 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