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PRICE SEVENPENCE

MICHAEL WILLIAMS IS BORN

Prime Minister Visits the Baby



British Prime Minister Harold Macmillan was one of the first major celebrities to pay a visit to the baby Michael Williams. In a

short speech to the nation, the Prime Minister declared a national day of celebration for the long awaited birth. Outside, a crowd of thousands of well-wishers waiting to catch a glimpse of the beautiful child, started cheering and chanting "Happy Birthday". The 11th of January becomes one of the most important dates in the national calendar.

Wolverhampton win First Division

Wolverhampton Wanderers are crowned First Division champions for the 3rd time, after topping the table ahead of Manchester United. Chelsea star striker Jimmy Greaves was top scorer this season with 33 goals. In the FA Cup final, Nottingham Forest lifted the trophy after a 2-1 victory over Luton Town at Wembley Stadium.

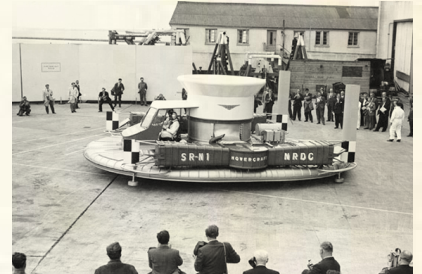


Short hair, long hair - must be gleaming-clean!

Silvikrin shampoos
for lovely hair!

News Review of the Year

- The Hovercraft, a revolutionary new form of transport, is officially launched in the Solent, off England's south coast.
- General Charles de Gaulle is proclaimed first President of the new Fifth Republic in France.
- Dense fog - the worst for seven years - brings road, rail and air transport in many parts of England and Wales to a virtual standstill.
- Two monkeys become the first living creatures to survive a space flight.
- A plane transporting musicians Buddy Holly and Ritchie Valens goes down in the United States, killing all occupants on board.
- Soviet satellite Lunik 3 reveals the first pictures of the far side of the Moon.
- The spiritual leader of Tibet, the Dalai Lama, is forced to flee Tibet to India after aggression from the communist Chinese government.
- The United States and the Soviet Union, sign a treaty that makes Antarctica a scientific preserve and bans military activity.
- NASA introduces to the public seven military-jet test pilots, as America's first astronauts.
- Alaska is admitted as the 49th U.S. state. Hawaii becomes the 50th.
- Cuba's revolutionary leader Fidel Castro overthrows dictator Fulgencio Batista, and takes power.



The Hovercraft was invented by boat-builder Christopher Cockerell

The Oscars: 31st Academy Awards



"And the winner is..." Another year of great filmmaking, another Hollywood's Academy Awards ceremony for honouring excellence in cinematic endeavours. "Gigi" took home the awards for Best Picture, and Best Director for Vincente Minnelli. In the Best Actor category, David Niven picked up the Oscar for his brilliant performance. Susan Hayward also stepped up to the stage to accept the award for Best Actress in a Leading Role.

Today's Famous Birthdays

- 1815 - John A. Macdonald - politician
- 1922 - Neville Duke - war pilot
- 1930 - Rod Taylor - actor
- 1941 - Barry Flanagan - sculptor
- 1957 - Bryan Robson - football manager

Top Music Hits

- Russ Conway - Side Saddle
- Craig Douglas - Only Sixteen
- Cliff Richard - Living Doll
- The Platters - Smoke Gets in Your Eyes
- Shirley Bassey - As I Love You

Morris Mini-Minor unveiled

British auto-maker Morris BMC has officially taken the wraps off its new model, the Mini-Minor, a stylish city car designed by Sir Alec Issigonis. It features a space-saving front-wheel drive layout, allowing 80 per cent of the area of the car's floorpan to be used for passengers and luggage. The new Morris Mini-Minor is expected to reach UK showrooms within the next few months, with prices starting from £497.00.



Daily Horoscope

Capricorn is the 10th sign of the zodiac and one of the most stable and serious of the zodiacal types. People born under zodiac sign of Capricorn are normally confident, strong willed and calm. Their independent personality has many excellent qualities. Capricorn is hardworking, keen-witted, practical, persevering, responsible and cautious to the extreme person. They are capable of persisting for as long as is necessary to accomplish a goal they have set for themselves. A Capricorn is also very caring towards his partner and family members and will patiently try to help others.