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1805 Eberhard Anheuser was born in Bad Kruezbach, Germany. Anheuser was a successful owner of a St. Louis soap factory. He loaned money to the struggling Bavarian Brewery, and found himself in the beer business when the brewery failed in 1860. He changed the name to Eberhard Anheuser and Company. His daughter Lilly married Adolphus Busch, the owner of a brewery supply business, in 1861. Anheuser and Busch became partners in 1865.

1864 Major James Morgan Utz, Paul Fusz and three other conspirators were captured at Clayton and Ballas Roads. They were carrying contraband medicine to the rebels near Manchester. Officers at Gratiot Street prison hanged Utz on December 26, 1864, shortly before a pardon from President Lincoln arrived. The Utz home still stands in Hazelwood. The Fusz family became well known for their auto dealerships.

1875 Law enforcement officials here were nervous after the *Globe-Democrat* published a letter, purportedly from Jesse James. James denied rumors that he had been killed in a recent robbery in Virginia. He said he was very much alive, and was in St. Louis visiting friends, feeling better than he had in years.

1914 Tony Janus flew four cases of Lemp's Beer from Kinloch Field to the St. Louis Fair at Fairgrounds Park. It was the very first consignment of freight to go by air. Jannus had carried Albert Berry when Berry made the first parachute jump from a plane at Jefferson Barracks in 1912. He served as pilot for the first scheduled passenger airline in 1914.

1954 A gasoline price war that started at a handful of stations in Brentwood was spreading to the rest of the area. A gallon of regular was going for 19.9 cents per gallon at most area stations.

1958 The *Globe-Democrat* reported that the State Highway Department was planning to build a new, free bridge over the Mississippi linking downtown and East St. Louis. The article said a location had not been picked, but it appeared the bridge would be built at the foot of Poplar Street.

1967 Jim Bakken of the Cardinals set an NFL record, booting seven field goals in the Big Red season opener. The Cardinals beat the Steelers 28-15 in Pittsburgh.

1988 Jose Oquendo put on the catchers garb in the seventh inning in a game against New York. "The Secret Weapon" became the first National League player in 70 years to play all nine positions in a single season. Eugene Paulette of the Cardinals had done it back in 1918. Oquendo now serves as the third base coach for the Redbirds.

1993 The Blues traded young sensation Nelson Emerson to Winnipeg along with Stephane Quintal for Phil Housley.

1994 Many of the items in the shuttered Arena were auctioned off. Schmiezing's Sports

Bar bought the 6,000-pound scoreboard. The dasher boards and glass panels brought \$6,000.

2005 Former St. Louis County Supervisor Lawrence K. Roos died at the age of 87. The former state representative served as the top elected official in the county from 1963 to 1975. He went on to serve as president of the St. Louis Federal Reserve Bank.