

Thursday, May 6

ON THIS DAY



▲ **1626: Dutch settler Peter Minuit bought what is now Manhattan Island from Native American Indians for a handful of trinkets worth no more than 25 dollars**

1895: Silent screen idol Rudolph Valentino was born

1942: The island fortress of Corregidor in the Philippines surrendered to the Japanese

1952: Education pioneer Maria Montessori died in the Netherlands

2009: Tens of thousands of refugees fled as battles raged across Pakistan's Swat Valley after the Taliban seized the city of Mingora