



THE DAILY CHRONICLE

MONDAY, APRIL 15, 2024

On This Date

1755 – *A Dictionary of the English Language* was first published.

1871 – “Wild Bill” Hickok became the marshal of Abilene, Kansas. His iron-handed rule helped tame the lawless frontier.

1912 – The ocean liner *Titanic* sank after hitting an iceberg off the coast of Newfoundland. The largest passenger vessel in the world was on its maiden voyage from England to New York City.

1984 – A fleet of 66 tall ships left Saint-Malo, France, on a race to Canada in celebration of the 450th anniversary of Jacques Cartier’s first voyage to Quebec.

Did You Know?

Although Leonardo da Vinci preferred painting and other peaceful pursuits, he also designed items for the military in war-torn Italy, including tanks, machine guns, parachutes, steam cannons, and devices to sink ships.

Quote of the Day

“Books are like people in that they’ll turn up in your life when you most need them.”

~ Emma Thompson

Happy Birthday!

Dame Emma Thompson, born in 1959, is a distinguished British actress, screenwriter, and author. She has earned both critical acclaim and numerous accolades, including Academy Awards for Best Actress for *Howards End* and Best Adapted Screenplay for *Sense and Sensibility*. Thompson has portrayed a wide range of beloved characters in films including *Much Ado About Nothing*, *Love Actually*, and the *Harry Potter* series. Thompson has two children. She and husband Greg Wise divide their time between England and Italy.





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Today is Titanic Remembrance Day, commemorating the sinking of the RMS *Titanic* in 1912. People worldwide pay tribute to the more than 1,500 lives lost in one of the deadliest maritime disasters in history.

What Am I?

I am commonly found in homes, apartments, or utility areas for the maintenance and care of clothing and linens in a household. I typically contain storage for laundry supplies such as detergents and fabric softeners, and often have a sink for handwashing or pre-soaking items. I provide a dedicated area for the laundry process, separate from other living spaces, and am designed for washing, drying, and sometimes ironing clothes. I am equipped with appliances like washing machines and dryers. What am I?

ANSWER: *A laundry room*

Who Said So?

Often called the “Iron Lady,” she said, “If you want something said, ask a man; if you want something done, ask a woman.”

ANSWER: *Margaret Thatcher*

Root of the Matter

Red herring



If someone is following a red herring, then they are being deliberately misled down a wrong path or argument. This expression dates back to 1807, when journalist William Cobbett told the story of using a kipper, or a smoked herring (the fish often turns bright red when smoked), to mislead a pack of hounds on the trail of a hare. This red herring misled the dogs. In mystery stories, a red herring is an attempt to mislead a reader’s guess as to “whodunnit.”

Word Scramble

L W U O N F D E R

Extremely good; marvelous

ANSWER: *WONDERFUL*