FRIDAY, APRIL 26, 2024

On This Date

1954 – Grace Kelly, "Hollywood's brightest and busiest star," was on the cover of *Life* magazine. A few years later, the actress became Princess Grace of Monaco.

1954 – Field trials to test Dr. Jonas Salk's polio vaccine began. About 1.8 million children were inoculated. Today, polio has been eliminated throughout much of the world, thanks to the vaccine.

1986 – The Chernobyl nuclear plant in Russia exploded in the world's worst civil nuclear catastrophe, which sent a cloud of radioactive dust over Europe.

Did You Know?

Carol Burnett was fired from her job as an usher in a Hollywood theater in the 1950s. When she learned that she was receiving a star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame, she asked that it be placed directly in front of that same theater, and it remains there today.

Quote of the Day

"I was once asked to do my Tarzan yell at Bergdorf Goodman, and a guard burst in with a gun! Now I only do it under controlled circumstances."

~ Carol Burnett

Happy Birthday!

Carol Burnett, born in 1933, is an iconic American actress, comedian, Broadway star, and writer. She is best known for *The Carol Burnett Show*, a groundbreaking variety



and sketch comedy series that earned her widespread acclaim and multiple Emmy Awards. Her comedic brilliance, versatility, and

memorable characters, such as the iconic Scarlett O'Hara parody in "Went with the Wind," have solidified her as a comedic legend. Burnett has been married to drummer Brian Miller since 2001.

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Today is Arbor Day, an important opportunity to plant a tree. Billions of trees are cut down each year. 17 percent of the Amazon rain forest has been lost in the last 50 years. Trees provide us with oxygen, remove carbon dioxide, and create shade—all excellent reasons to plant as many as possible.

Root of the Matter

Got it in the bag

This expression comes from the



New York Giants baseball team. In 1916, the Giants won 26 consecutive games. It was common at that

time for a bag of 72 baseballs to be on the field in left. case replacement ball was needed. During this historic win streak, if the Giants were ahead in the ninth inning, would the bag prematurely removed from the field, supposedly ensuring a win. The Giants believed they had the game's victory in the bag.

Punny Business

I've decided to sell my vacuum. It was just collecting dust.

Eye in the Sky

Sometimes we get impatient here on Earth waiting two days for an Amazon Prime delivery. Imagine waiting for a delivery on the space station. Delivery fees alone are cost prohibitive! So the space station is getting its own 3D printer. These printers do not print documents and photos on paper, but can "print" useful replacement parts out of "ink" made of liquid plastics and epoxies. This way, astronauts can simply print whatever they may need when they need it, as opposed to waiting for parts or supplies to be rocketed from Earth.

Word Scramble

TGNOEVMENR

The governing body of a nation, state, or community

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