



# THE DAILY CHRONICLE

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2021

## On This Date

**1801** – Thomas Jefferson was declared President of the United States after the U.S. House of Representatives broke the electoral college tie in his favor.



His vice president was Aaron Burr.

**1932** – Albert Johnson, the “Mad Trapper of Rat River,” was killed by the Royal Canadian Mounted Police in a shootout, concluding a 48-day manhunt in the Yukon. Aviator Wop May played a key role in tracking him.

**2000** – Ottawa announced it was taking the \$1,000 bill out of circulation, since it was being used for criminal purposes.

## Daily Trivia

The Gold Building in Toronto houses the Royal Bank of Canada. Its 14,000 windows are coated with a thin film of gold. The reflective properties of the 2,500 ounces of gold help to reduce heating and cooling costs.

## Quote of the Day

“I am a great believer in luck and I find the harder I work, the more I have of it.”

~ Thomas Jefferson

## Happy Birthday!

**Martha Henry**, born in 1938, is a Canadian stage, film, and television actress. An early graduate from the National Theatre School in Montreal, she very quickly became a leading actress at the Stratford Festival,



appearing in leading roles from the late 1960s until the early 1980s. Henry was artistic director of the Grand Theatre in London, Ontario, from 1988 to 1994. In 2007, she was appointed director of Stratford’s Birmingham Conservatory for Classical Theatre Training.



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**Today is** My Way Day, a day honoring the phrase “My way or the highway.” But it would be foolish to expect everything to go your way today, no matter how many times you play that Frank Sinatra classic “My Way.”

## Wild Kingdom

Wrinkle-faced bats may be one of the world’s ugliest animals thanks to their remarkably puckered faces. Apparently, female wrinkle-faced bats think so, too. During mating season, male bats lift a flap of furry skin over their faces like a mask, hiding their wrinkles. They then “sing” an ultrasonic song to attract females. These small bats are so reclusive that this practice of masking wasn’t known until some nature guides in Costa Rica stumbled upon the bats during a midnight nature walk.



## Only Human

It’s not every day that new organs are discovered in the human body, but researchers at the Netherlands Cancer Institute believe they have done just that. Salivary glands were discovered in the nasopharynx, the upper part of the throat behind the nose. The discovery could be a godsend to cancer patients undergoing radiation therapy. Such therapies can damage salivary glands, leading to trouble eating, swallowing, and speaking. The discovery of these new glands can direct radiation therapies away from their location, improving the quality of life for cancer patients.

## Word Wise

Which word is not like the others?

Scorpio      Libra  
Aquarius      Orion

ANSWER: Orion is a constellation; the others are zodiac constellations.

## Who Said So?

This former first lady said, “If you bungle raising your children then I don’t think whatever else you do matters very much.”

ANSWER: Jacqueline Kennedy