WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 20, 2021

On This Date

1892 – The first organized basketball game was played at the YMCA in Springfield, Massachusetts. Canadian-born James Naismith, a physical education teacher, invented the game as a form of winter exercise. His inspiration came from a children's game called duck-on-arock, in which players threw a small rock at a "duck" placed on top of a larger rock in an attempt to knock it off.

1929 – The first full-length motion picture in the U.S. to be filmed outdoors was released. *In Old Arizona* starred Warner Baxter as "The Cisco Kid," a carefree Mexican bandit who outwitted the sheriff trying to capture him.



Daily Trivia

Warner Baxter (the Cisco Kid) had a fear of horses in real life.

Quote of the Day

"Architecture is a visual art, and the buildings speak for themselves."

~ Julia Morgan

Happy Birthday!

Julia Morgan (1872–1957) was an



architect and engineer from San Francisco who designed more than 700 buildings. As a child, Morgan became intrigued with

architecture after meeting her cousin Lucy's architect husband, Pierre Le Brun. Morgan pursued a civil engineering degree at University of California, Berkeley, where she was an honors student and frequently the only woman in her courses. There she found a mentor, Bernard Maybeck, who encouraged her to continue her studies in Paris. After returning to California in 1904, she became the state's first woman to receive an architecture license.

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Today is Disc Jockey Day. On this day in 1965, the world lost one of its most beloved DJs, Alan Freed. In the 1940s and '50s, Freed began playing rhythm and blues hits on his Cleveland radio station and coined the term "rock and roll."

Centennial Memories

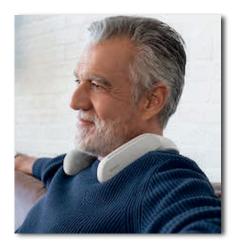
On this day 100 years ago, Charlie Chaplin's silent movie The Kid premiered at Carnegie Hall in New York City. The film was Chaplin's masterpiece, a masterful blend of comedy and tragedy. Chaplin wrote, produced, directed, edited, starred in, and even composed a score for the movie. Young Jackie Coogan, who played the titular character, became one of Hollywood's first child stars. Not only is *The Kid* considered one of the silent era's most important films, but it proved once and for all that Chaplin was one of Hollywood's most prodigious talents.

Who Said So?

This pioneering movie producer of Hollywood's Golden Age said, "A wide screen just makes a bad film twice as bad."

ANSWER: Samuel Goldwyn

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