



# THE DAILY CHRONICLE

MONDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2020

## On This Date

**1781** – The Siege of Yorktown, the last major battle of the Revolutionary War, ended with British General Cornwallis' surrender to American and French forces in Yorktown, Virginia.



**1872** – The Holtermann Nugget was discovered in Australia. The nugget is considered the largest single mass of gold ever found, weighing 629 pounds.

**1933** – The Berlin Olympic Committee voted to include basketball in the 1936 games. The U.S. team took the gold medal.

## Did You Know?

Gold is insoluble in nitric acid, which will dissolve silver and base metals. Nitric acid has long been used to confirm the presence of gold in items, and this is the origin of the colloquial term *acid test*.

## Quote of the Day

“All the gold which is under or upon the earth is not enough to give in exchange for virtue.”

~ *Plato*

## Happy Birthday!

**Elizabeth Bagshaw** (1881–1982) was one of Canada's first female doctors and was the medical director of Canada's first birth control clinic. Over the course of her career, she delivered thousands of babies. When she retired at the age of 95, she was the oldest practicing physician in Canada.



She adopted an orphaned relative in 1926, and he eventually became a doctor. Both he and his physician wife later worked in Bagshaw's office. A film about her life entitled *Doctor Woman* was produced in 1978.