



THE DAILY CHRONICLE

MONDAY, MARCH 1, 2021

On This Date

1872 – Yellowstone National Park was established as the world’s first national park.

1896 – French physicist Antoine Henri Becquerel accidentally discovered radioactivity while working with photographic plates.

1953 – After a night of heavy drinking, Joseph Stalin suffered a stroke in his sleep. Guards were under orders not to disturb him and left him alone until the following night. He died several days later.

2010 – The Vancouver Olympics ended with Canada winning 14 gold medals, the most for any country in any Winter Olympics.

Did You Know?

The tongue is the strongest muscle in the body, and controlling it requires the use of many brain cells. People often bite or stick out their tongue when focusing to try and free up those brain cells for thinking.

Quote of the Day

“A band ought to have a sound all of its own. It ought to have a personality.”

~ *Glenn Miller*

Happy Birthday!

Glenn Miller (1904–1944) was an American swing era bandleader, trombonist, and composer who grew up in Clarinda, Iowa. Some of his most popular songs include “In the



Mood,” “A String of Pearls,” “(I’ve Got a Gal in) Kalamazoo,” and “Little Brown Jug.” From 1939 to 1942, he was the

best-selling recording artist. In roughly four years, he racked up 69 top 10 hits—more than both the Beatles (33) and Elvis Presley (38). In 1942, Miller volunteered to serve in World War II with the U.S. Army. Sadly, his aircraft was lost over the English Channel in 1944.



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Today is Casimir Pulaski Day, celebrating the Polish-born American Revolutionary War hero. As the first leader of the U.S. cavalry, he fought for American independence for just two years before he was shot during battle.

Root of the Matter

Have egg on your face

If someone tells you that you *have egg on your face*, then you have made a serious mistake that has embarrassed you or made you look foolish. The expression originated in the mid-1900s and most likely referenced unsatisfied audiences that threw eggs at actors who performed poorly. Director Alfred Hitchcock provided an early use of the expression when he told Ingrid Bergman that she *had egg on her face* during shooting. He used the term to describe a vaguely embarrassed expression she wore after standing too long before the camera without a line.



Riddle Me This

Until I am measured, I am not known. Yet how you miss me when I have flown. What am I?

ANSWER: Time

Wild Kingdom

The crested or maned rat of East Africa is a bushy-tailed rodent that resembles a small striped porcupine or a skunky puffball. But this animal has a far more dangerous defense strategy than spiny quills or malodorous spray. It is the world's only poisonous rodent, harboring a toxin in its fur so lethal that it could kill an elephant. The rodent does not produce the poison itself but instead chews the bark of the poison arrow tree, mixes the poison with its saliva, and then applies it to thick hairs that absorb the poison. The rats themselves seem immune to the lethal toxins.

Word Scramble

I R T L U C A

To cut short, reduce, or diminish

ANSWER: CURTAIL