



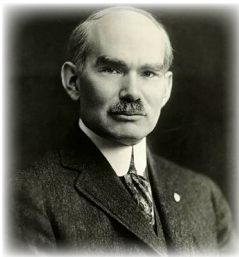
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On This Date

1672 – François Dollier de Casson laid out Montreal’s main street, which he named Rue Notre-Dame. Today, the street provides the city’s best antique shopping.

1923 – Dr. Lee de Forest, a renowned father of the electronic age, proved that sound could be put on a motion picture film. Phonofilm, his revolutionary invention, is known today as a soundtrack.



1930 – Mahatma Gandhi began his famous Salt March to protest oppressive salt taxes in India. Gandhi and his followers attempted to thwart British policy by making their own salt out of seawater.

Daily Trivia

Random House’s Modern Library compiled a list of the 100 best novels written in English. *Ulysses* by James Joyce holds the number one post. Number two is *The Great Gatsby* by F. Scott Fitzgerald.

Quote of the Day

“I started being a songwriter pretending I could do it, and it turned out I could.”

~ *James Taylor*

Happy Birthday!

James Taylor, born in 1948, is an acclaimed American singer-songwriter. The musician, who was born in Boston, now calls Chapel Hill, North Carolina, home. Taylor started his career in 1966 and is now one of the best-selling musicians of all time. The folk-rock legend has won five Grammy Awards and sold more than 100 million albums. He has recorded numerous iconic anthems and covers, including “Fire and Rain,” “You’ve Got a Friend,” and “How Sweet It Is (to Be Loved by You).” In 2000, Taylor was inducted into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame.





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Today is Middle Name Pride Day. Middle names originated during the Middle Ages. Families gave children a first name after a family member or saint. A middle name was an additional personal name bestowed upon the child during baptism.

50 Years Ago Today

On this day 50 years ago, two paintings were stolen during the burglary of the Palazzo Vecchio in Florence, Italy. Among the stolen paintings was Masaccio's masterpiece, *Virgin and Child*. The robbery was the first in a series of art heists throughout Italy during the week. A group of environmental activists would later write a letter to the Rome newspaper *Paese Sera* explaining that the paintings were stolen in protest of the air and water pollution plaguing Tuscany. The group said they would return the paintings only if 10 polluting factories were closed.

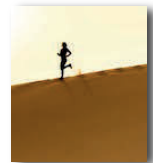
What's in a Name?

This famous Chicago magician and follower of bizarre magic was born Tom Palmer.

ANSWER: Tony Andruzzi

The Games People Play

Morocco's Marathon des Sables is often called the "toughest footrace on Earth." It is a six-day ultramarathon that covers 156 miles, roughly the distance of six regular marathons. What is more, it is not run on pavement or a track, but over the sand dunes of the Sahara Desert. Temperatures have been known to reach 122 degrees Fahrenheit, and runners must take all the supplies they need to survive on their backs. For many, the Marathon des Sables, or MdS for short, is a life-changing event.



Word Wise

Which word is not like the others?

fenugreek juniper
cardamom fennel

ANSWER: Juniper is a berry; the other spices are seeds.