



# THE DAILY CHRONICLE

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## On This Date

**1915** – Coca-Cola patented its prototype for a contoured bottle, which was shaped like a cocoa pod. The bottle made its commercial debut the next year.



**1955** – “Sixteen Tons,” written by Merle Travis and sung by Tennessee Ernie Ford, became the fastest-selling record in history, jumping to No. 1 in just three weeks. The line “You load sixteen tons and what do you get? Another day older and deeper in debt” came from a letter written by Travis’ brother John.

**1959** – Rodgers and Hammerstein’s musical *The Sound of Music* opened on Broadway.

## Did You Know?

During the Cold War, the BBC planned to broadcast *The Sound of Music* on the radio in the event of a nuclear strike. The broadcast would be part of a program designed to “reassure” the public in the aftermath of the attack.

## Quote of the Day

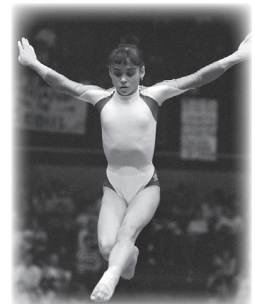
“Hard days are the best because that is when champions are made.”

~ gymnast *Gabby Douglas*

## Happy Birthday!

**Aurelia Dobre**, born in 1972, is a Romanian World Champion gymnast. Dobre was part of the 1987 Romanian team that won the World Artistic Gymnastics Championship in Rotterdam. Dobre also won gold medals for the individual beam and all-around contests, earning five perfect 10s at the competition.

In 1987, Dobre won a silver medal with her team at the Seoul Olympic Games. Her career ended soon after, due to injuries and



a growth spurt. In 1991, she moved to the United States. Dobre and her husband, Iranian gymnastics coach Boz Mofid, have four children.