



# THE DAILY CHRONICLE

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2021

## On This Date

**1620** – The *Mayflower* departed from Plymouth, England, with 102 pilgrims on board.

**1932** – Mohandas Gandhi began a hunger strike to protest the caste system in India. He broke his fast six days later when his demands were met.

**1938** – Tommy Dorsey and His Orchestra recorded the swing classic “Boogie Woogie” for Victor Records. The song became one of Dorsey’s biggest hits.

**1966** – The Metropolitan Opera House opened at Lincoln Center in New York City with the premiere of Samuel Barber’s opera *Antony and Cleopatra*. Today, the facility also hosts the American Ballet Theatre in the summer months.

## Did You Know?

In Britain’s House of Commons, two red lines separate the government and opposition sides of the House. The distance between the lines is the length of two swords.

## Quote of the Day

“Here is a test to find out if your mission in life is complete. If you’re alive, it isn’t.”

~ *Lauren Bacall*

## Happy Birthday!

**Lauren Bacall** (1924–2014) was born Betty Joan Perske. The gorgeous, commanding screen idol, known for her sultry voice, started her career as a model but soon became a prominent leading lady in American film noir. She starred alongside Humphrey Bogart, whom she later married, in



*The Big Sleep* and *Key Largo*, among others, as well as romantic comedies like *How to Marry a Millionaire* with Marilyn Monroe.

She won Tony Awards for her roles in the Broadway musicals *Applause* (1970) and *Woman of the Year* (1981).