



# THE DAILY CHRONICLE

MONDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2021

## On This Date

**1873** – The first Icelandic settlers in Canada, led by Sigtryggur Jonasson, established a new village on Lake Winnipeg. They named it *Gimli*, which means “paradise” or “the Great Hall of Heaven” in Icelandic.



**1918** – The Spanish flu was first reported in Calgary. The flu would kill 50,000 Canadians by late 1919.

**1952** – The first issue of *Mad* magazine was published to the delight of adolescent boys—and to the distress of their mothers. The satirical magazine’s comedic mascot was fictional Alfred E. Neuman, whose motto was “What, me worry?”

## Daily Trivia

Damon Runyon met dancer Patrice Amati del Grande at a nightclub called the Silver Slipper when he was in Juarez, Mexico, to interview Pancho Villa. Many years later, Amati del Grande became his wife.

## Quote of the Day

“I am inspired by love, by the moments that we commit to something with all our heart.”

~ *Damon Runyon*

## Happy Birthday!

**Damon Runyon** (1880–1946) was an American writer and newspaper reporter. He grew up in Kansas and Colorado in a family of newspapermen. He continued the tradition, working first for his father’s paper, followed by others in Colorado and New York City, including the *Pueblo Star*, *Denver Daily News*, and *New York American*, for which he covered sports. Runyon is known for the colorful language and characters in his Prohibition-era short stories, two of which provided the inspiration for the Broadway musical *Guys and Dolls*.

