



# THE DAILY CHRONICLE

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## On This Date

**1880** – Wabash, Indiana, became the first electrically lighted city in the world. Using carbon-arc lights invented by Charles F. Brush, the city placed four arc lamps atop the courthouse. One of the original lights is on display at the courthouse today.

**1949** – Newfoundland became the tenth and final province of Canada, completing the nation as we know it today. An amendment to the Constitution of Canada in 2001 changed the province’s official name to Newfoundland and Labrador.



## Daily Trivia

Only about 18 percent of Americans know how to drive a stick shift.  
Just two percent of cars sold in 2018 had manual transmissions.  
Ferrari and Lamborghini no longer even produce cars with manual transmissions.

## Quote of the Day

“He was a lethal combination of grit, power, and single-mindedness. The John Wayne of hockey.”

~ *Karl Samuelson, on Gordie Howe*

## Happy Birthday!

**Gordie Howe** (1928–2016) was a Canadian ice hockey superstar who played 25 years with the Detroit Red Wings. Nicknamed “Mr. Hockey,” Howe excelled in every area of the game. He led the Red Wings to four Stanley Cup victories, was a six-time NHL MVP, and held records in goals, assists, and total points at the time of his retirement from the NHL in 1971. Howe and his wife, Colleen, were married 56 years and had four children. The Gordie Howe International Bridge, named in his honor, is scheduled to open in 2024, connecting Detroit, Michigan, and Windsor, Ontario—a fitting tribute for a man beloved by both nations.

