



THE DAILY CHRONICLE

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On This Date

1871 – According to legend, Chicago’s Great Fire began when Mrs. O’Leary’s cow kicked over the lantern in her barn on DeKoven Street. The fire leveled 3.5 square miles, destroyed 17,450 buildings, and left 98,500 people homeless and approximately 250 dead.



1951 – Princess Elizabeth began a month-long cross-country tour of Canada. She was crowned Queen Elizabeth II the following year.

1984 – Anne Murray won the Country Music Association’s Album of the Year Award for “A Little Good News.” She was the first woman to win the award.

Fun Fact

Big Ben is not the clock; it is the 13-ton bell *inside* the clock tower of England’s House of Parliament.

The bell has chimed with an unrepaired crack since 1859.

Quote of the Day

“I have a very commercial appetite. I don’t like to do highbrow things.”

~ *Sigourney Weaver*

Happy Birthday!

Sigourney Weaver, born in 1949, is



heralded as a pioneer of the female action film. The American actress broke open the genre (and the box office) with her portrayal of the

fierce, alien-fighting heroine Ripley in the *Alien* movie series. She even garnered a Best Actress Academy Award nomination for the powerful role. Weaver won two Golden Globes in 1988 for her spot-on performances in *Gorillas in the Mist* (Best Actress) and *Working Girl* (Best Supporting Actress). *Ghostbusters*, *Avatar*, *Galaxy Quest*, and *The Ice Storm* are a few of her other standout films.