



THE DAILY CHRONICLE

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On This Date

1897 – The first French child to be born in North America, Eustache Martin, was baptized near Quebec. His father, Abraham Martin, was a riverboat pilot, fisherman, and farmer for whom the Plains of Abraham are named.

1931 – The George Washington Bridge opened, linking New York City with New Jersey.



1939 – Nylon hosiery went on sale for the first time at Wilmington Dry Goods, near the Delaware headquarters of DuPont, the inventor of nylon.

2008 – The stock market took a huge hit on what became known as “Bloody Friday,” with most indices dropping nearly 10%.

Fun Fact

If you keep going north, you will eventually go south. If you keep going east, you will never go west.

Quote of the Day

“I preferred a life in the woods to one in the laboratory.”

~ *John Tuzo Wilson*

Happy Birthday!

John Tuzo Wilson (1908–1993) was a Canadian geologist and geophysicist whose work focused on the theory of plate tectonics. This theory posits that Earth’s crust is formed of 13 independently moving plates. The shifting and moving of these plates against each other along fault lines



creates earthquakes, volcanos, and other natural phenomena. The Wilson cycle of seabed expansion and contraction is named in his honor.

Wilson served with the Royal Canadian Engineers during World War II. He achieved the rank of colonel.