



# THE DAILY CHRONICLE

THURSDAY, MAY 13, 2021

## On This Date

**1940** – Germany began its invasion of France. Hitler’s popularity in Germany reached its peak with France’s capitulation on July 6, 1940.

**1940** – Winston Churchill addressed the House of Commons for the first time as prime minister, proclaiming, “I have nothing to offer but blood, toil, tears, and sweat.”

**1958** – The Velcro trademark was registered for a fabric hook-and-loop fastener. It was invented by a Swiss engineer who wondered why burrs stuck to his clothing following a hike in the Alps.

## Daily Trivia

During his life, Vincent van Gogh sold exactly one painting, *Red Vineyard at Arles*. It sold for 400 francs (equal to about \$1,000 today).



## Quote of the Day

“Just because a man lacks the use of his eyes doesn’t mean he lacks vision.”

~ Stevie Wonder

## Happy Birthday!

**Stevie Wonder**, born in 1950, is an iconic singer-songwriter and record producer. Blind from infancy, he never allowed lack of sight to be an obstacle. His hit songs include “My Cherie Amour,” “For Once in My Life,” “I Just Called to Say I Love You,” and “You Are the Sunshine of My Life.” His hit song “Isn’t She Lovely” was inspired by the birth of his daughter, Aisha, in 1975. He was inducted into the Soul Music Hall of Fame in 2012. Wonder practices transcendental meditation, and sang about it on James Corden’s *Late Late Show* in a “Carpool Karaoke” segment.

