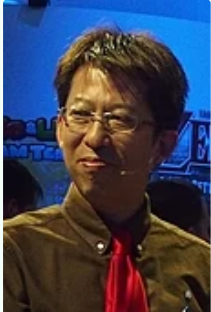


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From today's featured article



Kensuke Tanabe

Paper Mario: The Origami King is a cross-genre video game, developed by Intelligent Systems and published by Nintendo; it was released exclusively for the Nintendo Switch console in July 2020. The story follows Mario teaming up with his new ally Olivia to prevent the Mushroom Kingdom from being folded entirely into origami. The game is designed to look entirely like paper, with multiple open-world areas allowing for exploration and puzzle-solving. Turn-based combat is organized into circular rings, which can be rotated to line up enemies to deal more damage. The producer, Kensuke Tanabe (*pictured*), anticipating that he could not satisfy every fan, opted for entirely new gameplay and concepts compared to previous games in the series. The game received generally positive reviews, being praised for its graphics, writing and characters, and critiqued for the lack of other elements of role-playing games, such as experience points. Reception on gameplay, mainly the puzzle-style combat, was mixed. **(Full article...)**

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- ... that South African association footballer Amanda Sister has played for clubs in Hungary and Italy?
- ... that televoting for San Marino in the Eurovision Song Contest is simulated by a pre-selected group of countries?
- ... that Edward McClaren was one of only three black doctors in Greenville, South Carolina, in 1950?
- ... that the *Crash Bandicoot* character Doctor Neo Cortex was kept stationary in many of his early



Lurie Children's Hospital

In the news

- In Zamfara, Nigeria, 279 girls **who had been kidnapped** from a secondary school by armed bandits are released.
- In tennis, Naomi Osaka wins the women's singles and Novak Djokovic wins the men's singles at **the Australian Open** (*both winners pictured*).
- **Porfirije** is enthroned as the 46th Patriarch of the Serbian Orthodox Church.
- NASA's ***Perseverance*** rover, carrying the ***Ingenuity*** helicopter, **successfully lands on Mars**.



Naomi Osaka and Novak Djokovic

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March 9

- 1776 – Scottish political economist Adam Smith's book ***The Wealth of Nations***, the first modern work in the field of economics, was first published.
- 1842 – Awakening from a nap under a tree at **Rancho San Francisco**, Francisco López made the first popularly documented discovery of gold in California.
- 1946 – Thirty-three people were killed in **a human crush** at Burnden Park, a football stadium in Bolton, England.
- 1967 – **Svetlana Alliluyeva** (*pictured*), the daughter of former Soviet leader Joseph Stalin, defected to the United States.



Svetlana Alliluyeva

appearances because his model's short legs kept him from walking properly?

- ... that **in his dissent in the *Straub v. BMT by Todd*** case, Indiana Supreme Court Justice Roger Owen DeBruler argued that if someone else promises to pay your share of child support, then their promise should be considered legally binding?
- ... that a group of Dayak burned a Golkar party office after their gubernatorial candidate, **Yurnalis Ngayoh**, failed to receive an endorsement from the party?
- ... that Babe Ruth called **Marty McHale** "the best goddamn singer I ever heard"?

- 1978 – The **Jagorawi Toll Road**, the first toll highway in Indonesia, was inaugurated by President Suharto.

Mary Anning (d. 1847) • **Qayyum Chowdhury** (b. 1932) • **George Singh** (d. 1999)

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Today's featured picture



Philippe Chaperon (1823–1906) was a French painter and scenic designer, known particularly for his work at the Paris Opera. This is Chaperon's set design for the third act of Giuseppe Verdi's *Rigoletto* for an 1885 production of the opera at the Palais Garnier in Paris.

Set design credit: Philippe Chaperon; restored by Adam Cuerden

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