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From today's featured article

Flag of the same pattern as that carried by the regiment

The **4th Missouri Infantry Regiment** was an infantry regiment that served in the Confederate States Army during the American Civil War. Organized on April 28, 1862, the regiment was present at the battle in Farmington on May 9, and in Iuka on September 19. The regiment participated in three charges against Union lines on October 3, 1862, during the Second Battle of Corinth. On October 4, the regiment and its brigade attacked fresh Union lines. Despite initial success, their attack was repulsed by a Union counterattack. On November 7, 1862, the regiment was combined with the 1st Missouri Infantry to form the 1st and 4th Missouri Infantry Regiment (Consolidated). The combined unit served in the Vicksburg campaign in 1863, before surrendering at the end of the Siege of Vicksburg. After being exchanged, the men rejoined the Confederate Army and served in the Atlanta campaign and the Battle of Franklin in 1864. On May 9, 1865, the consolidated regiment surrendered during the Battle of Fort Blakeley. (**Full article...**)

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Did you know ...

- ... that German three-time artistic cycling World Championship runner-up **Viola Brand** (pictured) was invited to *The Ellen DeGeneres Show*, having previously watched the show to improve her English?
- ... that the Urdu novel *Zameen* provides a woman-centric account of Pakistan's independence?
- ... that **Julie Mennell** was a police officer and a forensics specialist before she became vice chancellor of the University of Cumbria?
- ... that Brett Ormerod scored five goals for Blackpool in the 2001 Football League play-offs including one in the **2001 Football League Third Division play-off Final**?

Viola Brand performing a bicycle stunt

In the news

- At **the Academy Awards**, *Nomadland (writer and director Chloé Zhao pictured)* wins three awards, including Best Picture.
- **A fire** at a COVID-19 hospital in Baghdad, Iraq, kills at least 82 people.
- The wreckage of **KRI *Nanggala***, an Indonesian Navy submarine, is found in the Bali Sea, and all 53 people on board are confirmed dead.
- The **Mars Oxygen In-Situ Resource Utilization Experiment** on the *Perseverance* rover produces oxygen from carbon dioxide in the Martian atmosphere.

Chloé Zhao

Ongoing: COVID-19 pandemic
Recent deaths: Vassos Lyssarides · John Konrads · Adrian Garrett · Alber Elbaz · Christa Ludwig · Milva

On this day

April 28: Workers' Memorial Day

- 1253 – The Japanese monk **Nichiren** (pictured) first expounded the mantra *Namu Myōhō Renge Kyō*, declaring it to be the essence of Buddhism and leading to the foundation of **Nichiren Buddhism**.
- 1789 – Fletcher Christian, the acting lieutenant on board the Royal Navy ship *Bounty*, led **a mutiny** against the commander William Bligh in the South Pacific.
- 1910 – Flying from London to Manchester, French aviator Louis Paulhan won **the first long-distance aeroplane race in England**.

Nichiren

- ... that **Wilson Tucker** was elected to the Mining and Pastoral region of the Western Australian Legislative Council with just 0.18 per cent of the primary vote?
- ... that in "**Herr, stärke mich, dein Leiden zu bedenken**", Christian Fürchtegott Gellert reflected the theological and emotional impact of the Passion of Jesus, using a familiar Passion hymn tune?
- ... that tea room owner **Edith Warner** was convinced by Robert Oppenheimer to keep her restaurant open to serve the scientists working on the Manhattan Project, including Niels Bohr and Enrico Fermi?
- ... that the founder of the **Australian Flying Arts School** took flying lessons so that he could travel throughout the Queensland Outback providing art lessons to its inhabitants?

- 1941 – World War II: Presaging a campaign of genocide against the Serbs of Croatia, around 190 people **were massacred** by members of the Ustaše movement in Gudovac.
- 2001 – American entrepreneur **Dennis Tito** boarded the Russian spacecraft Soyuz TM-32 to the International Space Station, becoming the world's first fee-paying space tourist.

Shajar al-Durr (d. 1257) · **Edward IV of England** (b. 1442) · **Hermann Fegelein** (d. 1945)

More anniversaries: April 27 · **April 28** · April 29

Today's featured picture

The **Civic Center** in San Francisco, California, is an area located a few blocks north of the intersection of Market Street and Van Ness Avenue that contains many of the city's largest government and cultural institutions. It has two large plazas and a number of buildings in classical architectural style. This 2016 panoramic photograph of the Civic Center at dusk was taken from 100 Van Ness Avenue. The domed building in the center is the San Francisco City Hall, flanked by the War Memorial Opera House and the Herbst Theatre on the left, and Civic Center Plaza on the right.

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- **Help desk** – Ask questions about using Wikipedia.
- **Local embassy** – For Wikipedia-related communication in languages other than English.
- **Reference desk** – Serving as virtual librarians, Wikipedia volunteers tackle your questions on a wide range of subjects.
- **Site news** – Announcements, updates, articles and press releases on Wikipedia and the Wikimedia Foundation.
- **Village pump** – For discussions about Wikipedia itself, including areas for technical issues and policies.

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