

PERSPECTIVES OF THE DAY

CHANGING PERSPECTIVES

NATIONAL DAY

National Hemp Day

February 4th is
National Hemp Day!
This is the day that

WHAT DID THE CHEF SAY TO HIS
VALENTINE?
YOU SPICE UP MY LIFE!

celebrates the fiber that humans have been using for tools, building, clothing, and millions of other uses. The earliest artifacts found with hemp are from Neolithic sites in East Asia, where pottery was observed to have hemp fibers impressed into the clay which is to be assumed hemp was

used for rope or cordage. Historical records from Ancient

Chinese medicines include hemp being used for food, fiber, paper, and medicine. In Hindu texts, hemp was listed as a sacred plant, being used in medicines and other wellness remedies. In the early 17th century, English colonists started cultivating hemp, using it for rope,



TODAY IN HISTORY

- IN 1789, GEORGE WASHINGTON IS CHOSEN AS PRESIDENT AND JOHN ADAMS AS VICE PRESIDENT.
- IN 1945, THE YALTA CONFERENCE BETWEEN ROOSEVELT, CHURCHILL, AND STALIN TO DISCUSS THE FINAL PHASE OF WW2.
- IN 1952, JACKIE ROBINSON BECOMES THE FIRST AFRICAN AMERICAN EXECUTIVE OF A MAJOR TELEVISION AND RADIO STATION.
- IN 1962, THE ST. JUDE'S CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL OPENS IN MEMPHIS, TN.
- IN 1969, JOHN MADDEN IS NAMED HEAD COACH FOR THE RAIDERS.

sailcloth, and cordage especially in the shipping and maritime trade. While hemp has it's many industrial uses, there is a biproduct of hemp that has created controversy for the plant. In 1937, the US Marihuana Tax Act imposed strict regulation and tax burdens of not only the biproduct, cannabis, but also hemp. However, a few years later with WW2, the government revives hemp farming to help with the war effort, to create items for naval ropes

and other cordage. In 2018, the US government introduced the Agricultural Improvement Act which removed cannabis from the Controlled Substances Act which revolutionized the industry and skyrocketed hemp production. It was a year later that National Hemp Day was declared on February 3rd for it's many uses, cheaper production, and revolutionary use of the material. Today, hemp has been used to create many

different things; medical tinctures, nutritional supplements, cordage, paper, clothing, to even building materials. Its even been observed that harvested hemp deposits soil enriching minerals that help the growth of whatever crop is grown on top of the hemp harvest. Observe today by learning about all the tons of different ways hemp has evolved our lives!

Defend the weak and the fatherless; uphold the cause of the poor and the oppressed.

-Psalm 82:3

TODAY'S INTERESTING FACT

Interesting Fact

On February 4th, 1974, William Randolph Hearst's granddaughter Patty Hearst is kidnapped from her apartment in Berkley. A left wing guerilla group called the Symbionese Liberation Army claimed responsibility for the kidnapping and demanded two of their members that were recently arrested were to be released as ransom. The state refused, so the group demanded the Hearst family distribute \$70 worth of food to every needy Californian, but would cost \$400 million to distribute. In response, obtained a loan and arranged the immediate donation of \$2 million worth of food to the poor of Bay Area for one year. After all this, the group still refused to release Patty. Two months after her abduction, Patty announced on a video tape released to the media that she had joined SLA under an adopted name, Tania. On April 15th, she helped the SLA rob a bank, killing and wounding civilians in the process. She was also known to be in a few other robberies and known to make explosives for the group. In September of 1974, she was arrested in a San Francisco apartment. Hearst claims she was brainwashed into committing the crimes she did with the group but was still given the max sentence, 35 years. President Carter commuted her sentence just after 22 months, and President Clinton granted her a pardon in 2001.

TRIVIA

Trivia

What Fleetwood Mac album was released on this day in 1977?

- A: Mirage
- B: Fleetwood Mac
- C: Rumors
- D: Bare Trees