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On This Date

1184 BC – According to ancient legend, the Greeks infiltrated the city of Troy by presenting a giant wooden horse secretly containing Greek soldiers as a victory offering to the Trojans. Believing the war was over, the Trojans brought the horse into their city, only for the soldiers to emerge at night, leading to the fall of Troy.

1895 – Joshua Slocum of Nova Scotia set out from Boston on an extraordinary adventure: to become the first person to sail solo around the world. Aged 51, Slocum boarded the *Spray*, a small sloop he had rebuilt himself. For three years, he navigated treacherous waters, covering an impressive 74,000 kilometers. In 1899, he chronicled his remarkable voyage in his famous book, *Sailing Alone Around the World*, inspiring countless adventurers and sailors.

Trojan Trivia

What prophetess of Troy warned, to no avail, against accepting the gift of the Trojan horse?

ANSWER: Cassandra

Quote of the Day

“Don’t be afraid to go out on a limb. It’s where all the fruit is.”

~ Shirley MacLaine

Happy Birthday!

Shirley MacLaine, born in 1934, is an acclaimed American actress, author, and dancer, with a career spanning seven decades. She grew up in Richmond, Virginia, and got her start as a teen in Broadway musicals, such as *Oklahoma!* The Academy Award winner’s 1955 film debut, in Alfred Hitchcock’s *The Trouble with Harry*, earned her the Golden Globe Award for New Star of the Year. She followed that success with star turns in dozens of hit movies, including *Around the World in 80 Days*, *Some Came Running*, *The Apartment*, *Terms of Endearment*, and *Steel Magnolias*. Warren Beatty is her younger brother.

