

A photograph of actress Meryl Streep smiling and holding an Oscar statue. She is wearing a gold, shimmering dress and large gold earrings. In the background, a large, out-of-focus Oscar statue is visible.

Today in History

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▲ **Actress Meryl Streep was born. Nominated for a record 21 Oscars, she has won three, for Kramer vs Kramer (1979), Sophie's Choice (1982), and The Iron Lady (2011)**

1815: Napoleon Bonaparte abdicated for the second and final time after his defeat at the Battle of Waterloo

1969: The Cuyahoga River in Ohio caught fire, triggering a crackdown on river pollution across the U.S.

1989: Seven student leaders of the Tiananmen Square demonstrations were executed after trial in China

1994: After hard bargaining, Russia finally signed NATO's "Partnership of Peace" accord