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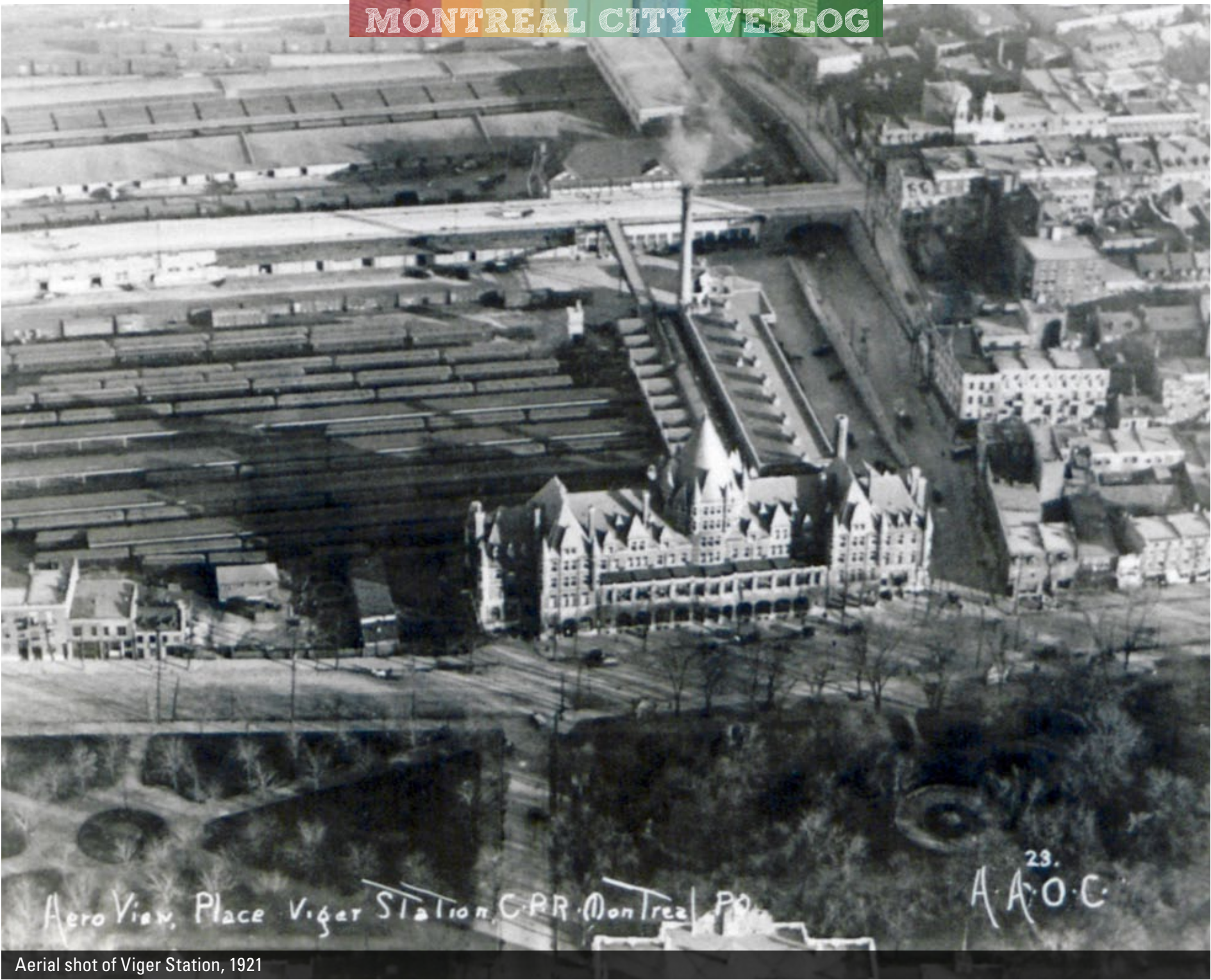
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Aerial shot of Viger Station, 1921

january

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	Airport renamed for Pierre Trudeau, 2004 Lhasa de Sela dies, 2010			Irving Layton dies, 2006	Canadiens play first match against Cobalt Silver Kings, 1910 Ice storm begins, 1998	Maisonneuve plants first cross on Mount Royal, 1643
31	NEW YEAR 1	NAMELESS DAY 2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
Some women get municipal voting rights, 1932	Coldest temperature: -37.8 °C, 1957	First edition of Montreal Star, 1869		Death of Kate McGarrigle, 2010		CFCF-TV begins broadcasts, 1961
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
	Paolo Violi shot dead, 1978	First ice palace carnival, 1883				Construction starts on the metro, 1961
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
	McGill University opens, 1829		Mordecai Richler born, 1931			
28	29	30	31	1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10

I think we should just replace the windchill temperature with the thermometer temperature plus ‘martyr points’. - JaneyB, 2014/01/08

The STM is very Sid Lee on the look of their information but not very Tim Berners-Lee in its openness and usefulness.

- Blook, 2014/02/14



Clock tower, 1922

February

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
28	29	30	31	1	2	3
Québec solidaire founded, 2006		General strike by tram workers, 1903	First recorded use of the word <i>puck</i> , Gazette, 1876 Beatles play the Forum, 1964		Claude Ryan dies, 2004	
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Concordia computer riot, 1969		Montreal Stock Exchange bombed by FLQ, 1969	First phone call connects Montreal and Vancouver, 1916	Unifolié hoisted for first time, 1965	 LUNAR NEW YEAR	Sir Wilfrid Laurier dies, 1919
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
	Sault-au-Récollet annexed to Montreal, 1916					First edition of daily paper <i>La Patrie</i> , 1879
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
Launch of Radio-Canada International, 1945		Snowdon Theatre opens, 1937	First Nuit Blanche (on the 29th), 2004.			
25	26	27	28	1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10

the [new] bridge needs a toll, hopefully a high one. the suburban vampires can pay and pay! - davidm, 2014/01/16

I'm going to pray for Quebecers to realize that Montreal is not and will never be a large version of Joliette. - Kevin, 2014/03/10



St Patrick’s, 1910

march

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
					Lasalle Heights explosion, 1962	First indoor hockey match, Victoria Skating Rink, 1875
25	26	27	28	1	2	City hall fire, 19223
Auberge St-Gabriel licensed, 1754 Storm of the Century – record snowfall, 43 cm, 19714	5	6	Université de Montréal chartered, 18787	Société St-Jean-Baptiste founded, 1834 Howie Morenz dies, 19378	9	10
Last hanging in Quebec, Bordeaux Jail, 1960 Last hockey game in Montreal Forum, 199611	12	13	14	Police service established, 1843 Taylor marries Burton at the Ritz, 196415	16	First St. Patrick’s parade, 1824; first mass at St. Patrick’s church, 1847 Richard riot, 195517
18	19	VERNAL EQUINOX20	21	William Shatner born, 1931 Montreal Protocol adopted, 198522	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	Adoption of city logo, 1981 START OF PASSOVER GOOD FRIDAY30	McGill chartered, 182131
1	2	3	4	5	6	7

I don't mind a thinner waffle, but doughnuts do exist. - Alison Cummins, 2014/01/22

Likening PKP to a fictional evil wizard, however, is idiotic and you should be embarrassed. - Philippe, 2014/03/09



Mount Royal Hotel at night, 1923

april

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
Halley's Comet seen over town, 1758	Fire department founded, 1862					Death of Nick Auf der Maur, 1998
EASTER1	EASTER MONDAY2	3	4	5	6	7
		Great fire, 1721			Slavery made legal, 1709 Funeral of D'Arcy McGee, 1868	First Expos game, 1969
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Titanic sinks, 1912, killing 1,595, including at least a dozen Montrealers		Kateri Tekakwitha dies, 1680	Jackie Robinson debuts with Montreal Royals, 1946			
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
			Burning of Parliament, 1849 Griffintown plane crash, 1944	Seaway formally opened, 1959		Expo 67 opens, 1967 Laval metro extension opens, 2007
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
	Grande bibliothèque opens, 2005					
29	KATE'S BIRTHDAY30	1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12

It's not that anybody has anything against 450-ers coming to the city. On the contrary, we want them to come. The problem is the way they come and the political will that they bring with them. They want the city to be easy and cheap to drive to and in and through in a single polluting vehicle. And they vote for that, which ends up making life shitty for people in the city. - walkerp, 2014/01/22





Bordeaux jail, 1912

may

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
29	30	Original Montreal General Hospital building completed, 1822 1	2	3	4	5
6	7	Gilles Villeneuve dies in Belgium, 1982 8	9	10	11	12
13	Jacques-Cartier bridge opens, 1930 14	15	First electric street light, Champ-de-Mars, 1879 RAMADAN BEGINS 16	Founding of city by Maisonneuve and Mance, 1642 17	King George VI and Queen Elizabeth visit, 1939 18	19
First Quebec referendum, 1980 20	VICTORIA DAY (observed) / JOURNÉE DES PATRIOTES 21	22	23	Mount Royal Park inaugurated, 1876 24	25	Lennon-Ono bed-in begins at the Queen Elizabeth Hotel, 1969 26
27	28	Magnotta story opens with finding of body parts, 2012 29	30	31	1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9

- Let's build a wall on St-Laurent with checkpoints. Come on guys, it'll add to the romance of Montreal. - Robert J.
- And thirty years later we can tear it down and be the coolest city in the world! - ant6n (2014/03/06-07)



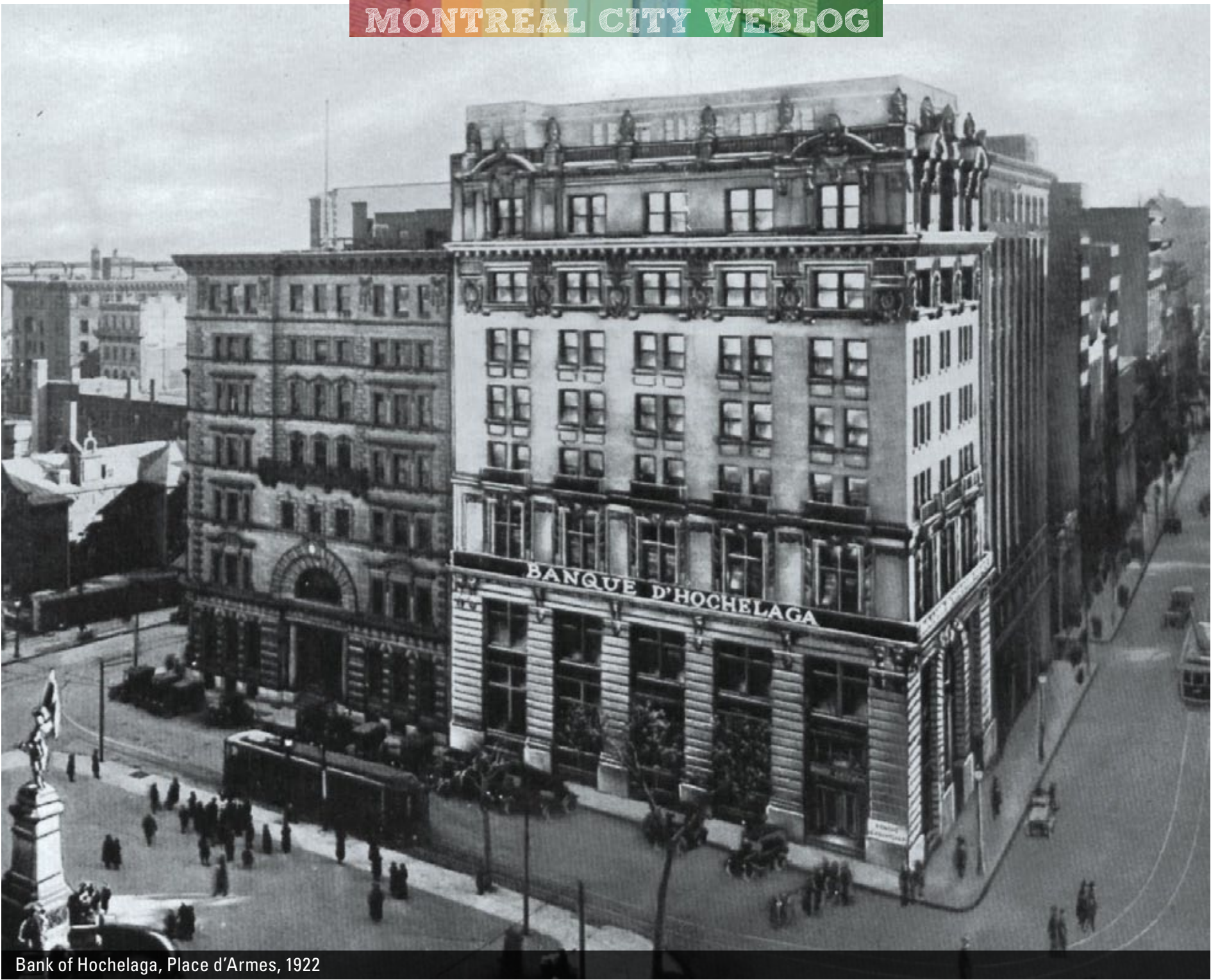
St Michael's under construction in 1916

june

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
27	28	29	30	31	1	2
Jacques Viger, first mayor, elected 1833	NDG and Côte-des-Neiges annexed by Montreal, 1910					24th and last Canadiens' Stanley Cup, 1993
3	4	5	6	7	8	Belmont Park opens, 1923
						American forces retreat in disarray, 1776
10	11	12	13	14	EID AL-FITR 15	16
Cargo ship Cymbeline explodes, 1932		Nelson Mandela speaks on Champ-de-Mars, 1990		Marie-Josèphe dite Angélique hanged, 1734	Quebecor shuts down Montreal Mirror, 2012	Bank of Montreal incorporated, 1817
17	18	19	20	SUMMER SOLSTICE 21	22	23
	Michel Tremblay born, 1942		First movies shown in Canada, 1896	First CPR train departs for BC, 1886	Champlain Bridge opens, 1962	
ST-JEAN 24	ST-JEAN (day off) 25	26	27	28	29	30
1	2	3	4	5	6	7

Holy shit, we need to keep the F1! It's the best week of the year for prostitutes. Won't anyone think of the whores?!? - Michel, 2014/04/10

I love that Montrealers are the type of people that'll smash an LCD because it's vomiting corporate propaganda at them. - Tux, 2014/05/08



Bank of Hochelaga, Place d’Armes, 1922

july

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
Maisonneuve monument unveiled on Place d’Armes, 1895	First powered flight over town, 1910		First CPR train from Montreal arrives in BC, 1886			
CANADA DAY 1	CANADA DAY (day off) 2	3	4	5	6	7
Great Fire of 1852: 11,000 houses destroyed		Idola St-Jean makes campaign speech championing vote for women in Quebec, 1930	Oka Crisis begins, 1990	Queen Victoria monument blown up, 1963	National League all-star game, 1982	Central Station opens, 1943 Record rainfall, more than 100 mm of rain in 2 hrs, 1987
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
		Work starts on Lachine Canal, 1821 Olympic Games open, 1976		City’s first coat of arms adopted, 1833 (amended 1938 and 2017)	First stone laid for Victoria Bridge, 1854	Completion of first grain elevator, 1904
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
	Lachine Canal completed, 1825	De Gaulle’s <i>Vive le Québec libre</i> , 1967	First live TV broadcast, Royals game, CBFT, 1952			
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31	1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11

Surely the English and French press can at least agree on the weather? – GC, 2014/02/06

Politics really is a major impediment to governance and actually getting shit done. – Taylor C. Noakes, 2014/03/16



Phillips Square, 1914

august

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			High temperature record, 37.6°C, 1975 Olympic Games close, 1976	Kondiaronk dies, 1701		Great Peace of Montreal, 1701 R-100 dirigible over town, 1930
29	30	31	1	2	3	4
	Camillien Houde interned for anti-conscription statements, 1940			<i>Refus global</i> published, 1948 Fredy Villanueva killed, 2008	Jacques Cartier names the river, 1535	First pedestrian in automobile fatality, 1906
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
	Jean Drapeau dies, 1999	River rises, a quarter of the city floods, 1861	Oscar Peterson born, 1925 Cornerstone of St. Joseph's Oratory laid, 1930	Redpath Museum opens, 1882		Camillien Houde freed from internment, 1944 Union workers hold vigorous demo at city hall, 2014
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
First passage of Lachine Canal by steamboat, 1840					Fabrikant shootings, 1992	Prince of Wales inaugurates Victoria Bridge, 1860
19	20	EID AL-ADHA 21	22	23	24	25
Montreal Protocol on ozone layer protection, 1987, in force 1989	Boulevard Robert-Bourassa officially adopted as new name of rue University, 2014	Premiere of <i>Les Belles-sœurs</i> , 1968	Kahnawake loses 33 men in collapse of Quebec bridge, 1907	Last streetcar run, Rosemont, 1959		
26	27	28	29	30	31	1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8

I find that it's difficult to sell the 'real' Montreal. Tourists that come here seem to fall into two categories: one that are drawn here for the 'exoticness' of a visit a foreign place where a different language is spoken, and another who fear travelling to a place where they'll have difficulty communicating. - Thomas H., 2014/05/14





Mount Royal Hotel, 1923

september

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
						Dorval airport opens, 1941 Blue Bird café fire, 1972
26	27	28	29	30	31	1
	Bomb explodes at Central Station, 1984	Art heist at the MMFA, 1972		First regular TV broadcast, CBFT, 1952 Place des Arts opens, 1963	Eucharistic Congress opens, 1910 Maurice Duplessis dies, 1959	Montreal capitulates to the British, 1760 Van Horne mansion demolished, 1973
2	LABOUR DAY 3	4	5	6	7	8
Maisonneuve dies in Paris, 1676		Villeray annexed, 1905 Papal mass at Jarry Park, 1984		Place Ville-Marie opens, 1962 Dawson shooting, 2006	 New city flag, 2017	Maurice Richard retires, 1960
ROSH HASHANAH 9	10	11	12	13	14	15
Earthquake of 1732, estimated at 5.8					Leonard Cohen born, 1934 First concert at PdA, 1963	CKAC makes first broadcast, 1922
16	17	18	YOM KIPPUR 19	20	21	AUTUMNAL EQUINOX 22
		Battle of Longue-Pointe, 1775 Final edition of Montreal Star, 1979	Oka Crisis ends, 1990	Montreal Neuro opens, 1934	Pierre Trudeau dies, 2000	
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
De la Concorde overpass collapses, 2006						
30	1	2	3	4	5	6

At a time when we’re supposed to be revitalizing Montreal, enhancing its livability, imagining new ways of working, becoming more entrepreneur- and start-up friendly, food trucks could serve as an example of everything that’s wrong with the local business environment. Yet they’re touted by the bureaucracy, the restaurant business establishment and the media as just the opposite. We’re doomed. - carswell, 2014/04/27



Montreal by moonlight, 1902

october

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		Jacques Cartier visits Hochelaga, 1535	Cartier names Mount Royal, 1535 Last Expos game, 2004	Mirabel Airport opens, 1975	October Crisis begins with the kidnapping of James Cross, 1970	
30	1	2	3	4	5	6
Police strike and riot, 1969	Hôtel-Dieu opens, 1643 Gilles Villeneuve wins Grand Prix, 1978	Canada’s first TV station, VE2EC, begins transmissions, 1931 Casino opens, 1993	Earthquake, 3.9, a few minutes after midnight, 2012	First hockey telecast, CBFT, 1952		Last tram over Victoria Bridge, 1956 Belmont Park closes, 1983
7	THANKSGIVING 8	9	10	11	12	13
Metro inaugurated, 1966	Occupation of Victoria Square begins, 2011	War Measures Act invoked, 1970	Brother André canonized, 2010	Pierre Trudeau born, 1919	Expos’ “Blue Monday” 1981	First edition of La Presse, 1884
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
First train through Mount Royal tunnel, 1918			Jean Drapeau elected second time, 1960	Jean Drapeau elected first time, 1954	Battle of Châteauguay, 1813	Massive pro-Canada unity rally, 1995
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
	Expo 67 closes, 1967	First tram over Victoria Bridge,1909 Second Quebec referendum, 1995	Marguerite Bourgeoys canonized, 1982 Last passenger flight from Mirabel, 2004			
28	29	30	31	1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10

The sun rises in the south in Mile End. - Ian, 2014/08/27

Does oatmeal stout count as breakfast? - Blork, 2014/02/22

“Concordia Salus” actually means “Harmony and Wellbeing” though it could also mean “Hi there, Concordia students”. - Jo Walton, 2013/05/08





World War I memorial in Windsor Station, 1922

november

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
28	29	30	31	1	2	3
4	G�rald Tremblay steps down, 2012 Val�rie Plante, first woman mayor, elected 2017	6	7	8	9	Louis Cyr dies, 1912 Nicolo Rizzuto Sr. shot dead, 2010
11	Mayor John Easton Mills dies tending typhus victims, 1847	13	Claire Kirkland Casgrain elected, first female MNA, 1961	15	16	17
18	Joseph Guibord dies, 1869	20	First car, owned by Ucal-Henri Dandurand,1889	22	23	Occupation of Victoria Square ends, 2011
25	Prince of Wales opens Crystal Palace, 1860	Christ Church Cathedral opens, 1860 First public transit, horse tram, 1861	First performance by MSO, 1934	Montreal Forum opens, 1924	30	1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8

I'd just like to know why the city is putting up Christmas decorations in November. - Ian, 2017/11/26

Kate, yours is the only Montreal blog for me. -Tim, 2014/06/23

If the cheese don't squeak, it ain't a pouts. - Matt G., 2014/09/08



Edward Prince of Wales on Cherrier Street, 1919

december

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
25	26	27	28	29	30	Black Rock placed as memorial, 1859 911 becomes emergency number, 19851
Royal Vic opens, 1893 Jean Béliveau dies, 2014 HANUKKAH BEGINS2		Montreal Canadiens founded, 1909 October Crisis ends, 19704	Maison Radio-Canada opens, 19735	Polytechnique massacre, 19896	7	8
Transit riot, 1955 Fire in metro tunnel at Henri-Bourassa, 19719	All charges dropped against Henry Morgentaler, 197610	CBF goes on air, 1937 Camillien Houde re-elected, 194411	First freight train crosses Victoria Bridge, 185912	13	14	15
Béliveau, Geoffrion play first NHL game, 195016		First passenger train crosses Victoria Bridge, 185918	19	20		Cartierville annexed to Montreal, 191622
Vito Rizzuto dies, 201323	Émile Nelligan born, 1879 Mount Royal cross first lit up, 192424	Autoroute Métropolitaine opens, 196025 CHRISTMAS	BOXING DAY26	27	Nick Rizzuto Jr. gunned down, 200928	29
30	Ritz-Carlton Hotel opens, 191231	1	2	3	4	5

But where does the “auto” in “autostade” come from? - Michael Black
Maybe they meant self-reflexive, like “autoerotic”. You know, a stadium about stadiums. It’s so meta. - Ian (2014/11/05)