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Cardinal News is embarking on a three-year project to tell the little-known stories of Virginia's role in the march to independence in advance of the nation's observation of its 250th anniversary, or semiquincentennial.

“Cardinal News 250: Virginia's Stories. A Nation's Birth” will begin in November 2023 and continue through 2026. The monthly stories will address historical events, people and places across the state and will advance Virginians' understanding of the role of our ancestors beyond the stories found in classroom history books.

The project is made possible in part by funding from the Virginia American Revolution 250 Commission.

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Featured story



One enslaved naval officer won his freedom after fighting in the 'War for Independence'

by Randy Walker



Learn more about this multi-year series of events

Established by the General Assembly in 2020, the Virginia American Revolution 250 Commission (VA250) serves to commemorate the 250th anniversary of the American Revolution. Learn more about their other projects.

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Dispatch from 1765: Augusta County mob murders Cherokees, defies royal authorities

The slaughter, and the subsequent uprising against the colonial officials who tried to punish the killers, reflects how unpopular the king's prohibition against western settlement is in Virginia.

January 16, 2024



‘A time to pray and a time to fight’

One of the most stirring speeches of the revolution was given in Woodstock, and might have been delivered in German. That is, if it happened at all.

December 12, 2023





Colonial Virginia was divided in many ways. Food was the great uniter.

Colonists relied on a lot of Native American methods for preparing food.

December 12, 2023



Dispatch from 1763: Despite cries of ‘treason!’ Hanover County jury delivers rebuke to the church — and the crown

A young attorney named Patrick Henry has burst onto the scene in a dramatic way by suggesting that King George III might be a tyrant.

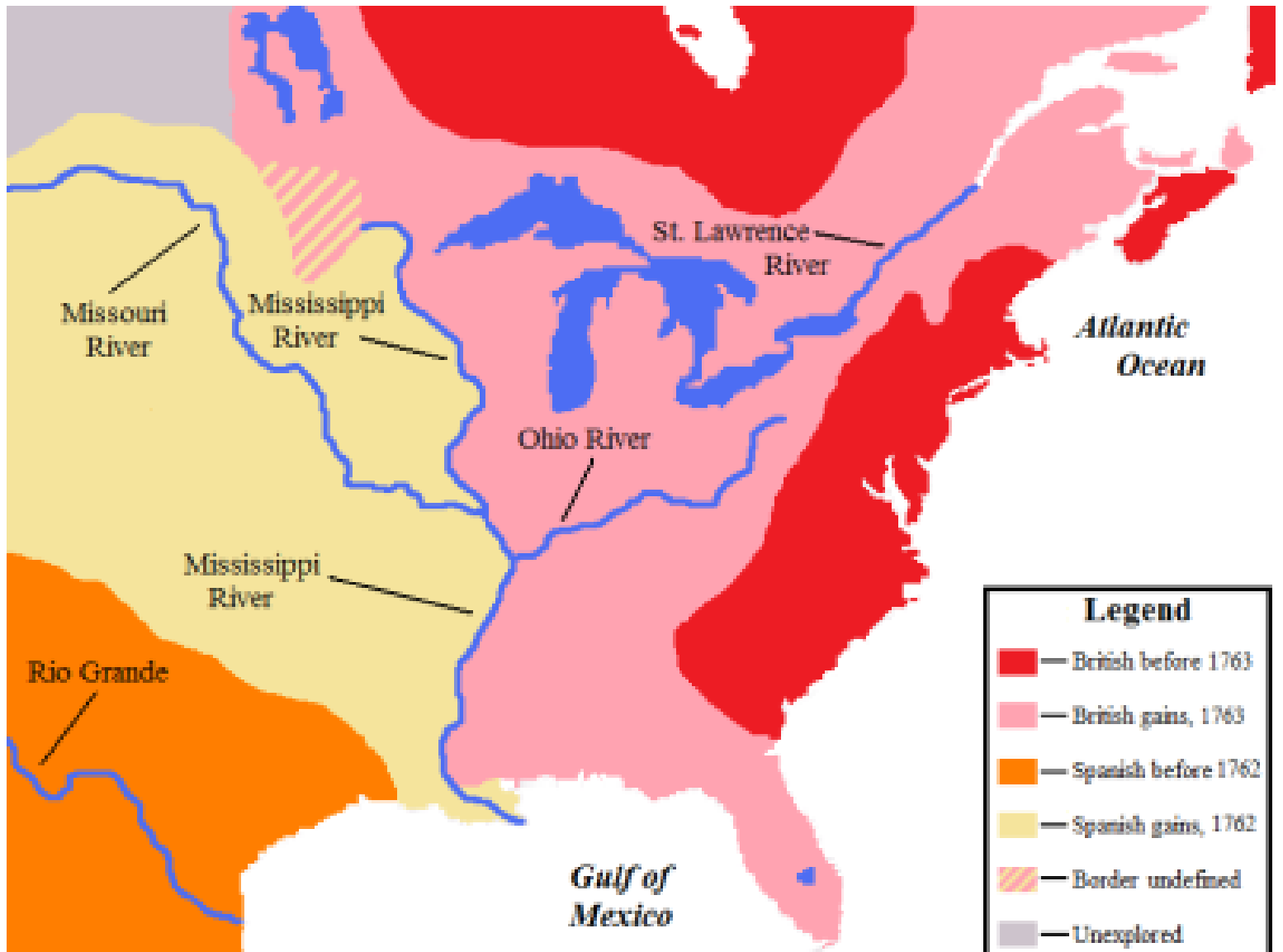
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Proclamation Line of 1763 became a focus of anti-British resentment in Virginia

After the French and Indian War, King George III drew a line along the Appalachians and forbade settlement west of that. This became one of the sparks that lit the fuse for American independence.

November 14, 2023



Dispatch from 1763: King's proclamation has united often opposing factions in Virginia

Here's what political commentary on the Proclamation of 1763 might have sounded like.

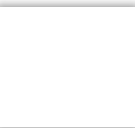
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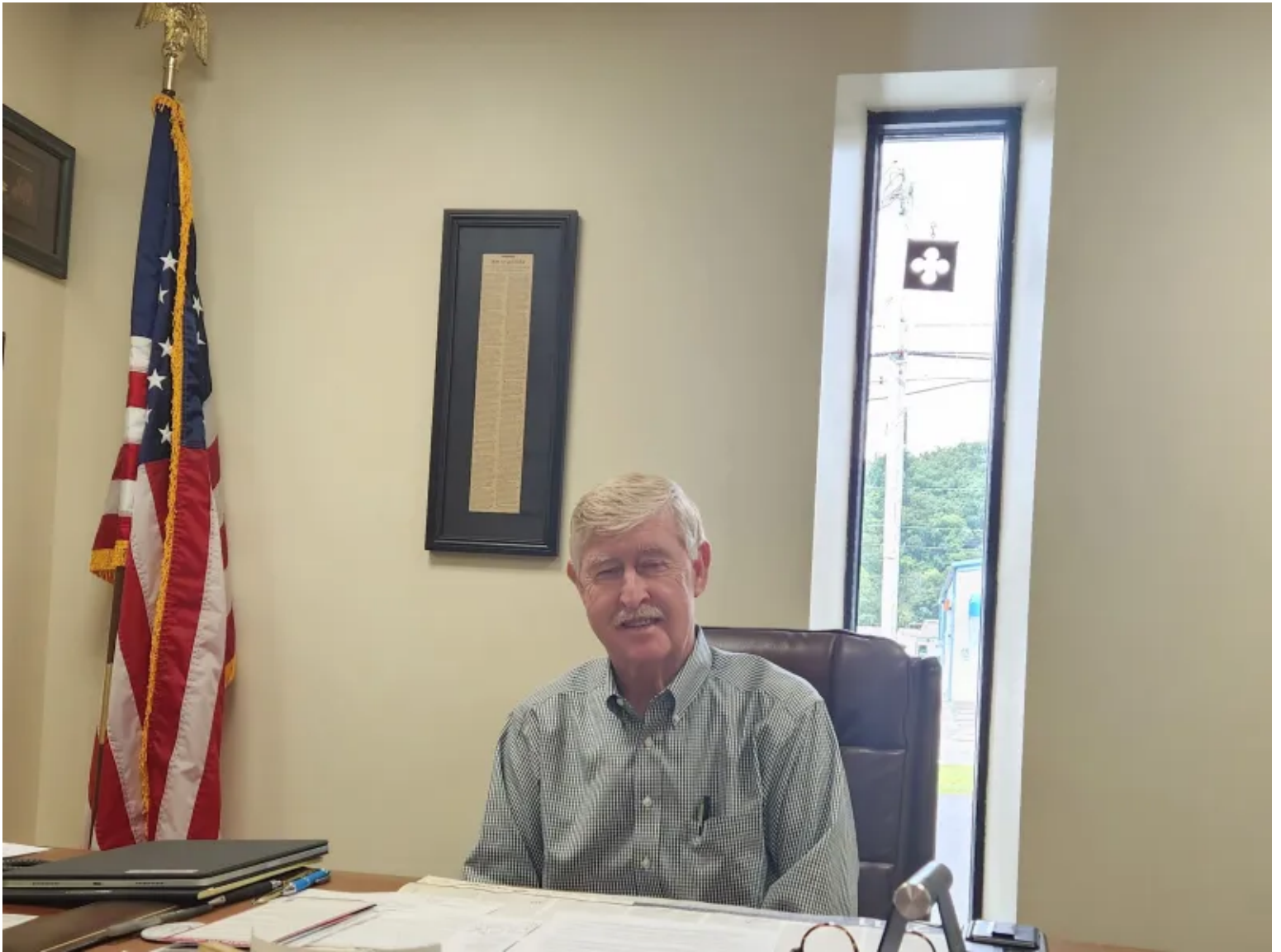


‘The only way to convince people that this is everybody’s story is to tell the whole story’

Carly Fiorina, the former Hewlett-Packard CEO, is honorary chair of Virginia’s commission that is planning celebrations of the 250th anniversary of the nation’s birth.

October 13, 2023





Get ready for the nation's 250th birthday. Del. Austin leads the planning in Virginia.

2026 marks the nation's semiquincentennial. Virginia already has a commission putting together events.

August 16, 2023

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