

TODAY IN HISTORY
JANUARY 1st, 1776

During the American Revolution, George Washington reveals the Grand Union flag, the first national flag of the United States.



TODAY IN HISTORY
JANUARY 2nd, 1960

Senator John F. Kennedy announces his intention to obtain the Democratic presidential nomination.



TODAY IN HISTORY
JANUARY 3rd, 1924

British Egyptologist Howard Carter finds the sarcophagus of Tutankhamen in the Valley of the Kings.




TODAY IN HISTORY
JANUARY 4th, 1790

President George Washington delivers the first State of the Union address.



TODAY IN HISTORY
JANUARY 5th, 1925

Nellie Tayloe Ross of Wyoming becomes the first female governor in the United States.




TODAY IN HISTORY
JANUARY 6th, 1066

Harold, Earl of Wessex, is crowned King of England. Harold was the last Anglo-Saxon King.




TODAY IN HISTORY
JANUARY 7th, 1714

A patent is issued for the first typewriter to British inventor Henry Mill.




TODAY IN HISTORY
JANUARY 8th, 1918

President Woodrow Wilson proposes his Fourteen Points amid the fighting of World War I.



TODAY IN HISTORY
JANUARY 9th, 1431

Investigations for the trial of Joan of Arc begin in Rouen, France.




TODAY IN HISTORY
JANUARY 10th, 1776

Thomas Paine's pamphlet *Common Sense* is published. It sold over 500,000 copies in America and Europe.




TODAY IN HISTORY
JANUARY 11th, 1861

Alabama secedes from the Union in events leading up to the American Civil War.



TODAY IN HISTORY
AUGUST 12th, 1879

The Zulu War begins in Southern Africa. This war was fought between the British and the natives and resulted in the fall of the Zulu Empire.



TODAY IN HISTORY
JANUARY 13th, 1404

The English Parliament passes the Act of Multipliers, forbidding alchemists to use their knowledge to create precious metals.



TODAY IN HISTORY
JANUARY 14th, 1943

Winston Churchill and Woodrow Wilson meet in Morocco to work on strategy during World War II.



TODAY IN HISTORY
JANUARY 15th, 1535

King Henry VIII becomes Supreme Head of the Church of England as a result of the Act of Supremacy and the break from Rome.




TODAY IN HISTORY
JANUARY 16th, 1547

Ivan the Terrible is officially crowned the first Russian Czar. He had been ruling Russia since 1533.



TODAY IN HISTORY
JANUARY 17th, 1773

The ship *Resolution* becomes the first ship to cross the Antarctic Circle.




TODAY IN HISTORY
JANUARY 18th, 1871

The Second German Empire is proclaimed by Kaiser Wilhelm I and Otto von Bismarck.



TODAY IN HISTORY
JANUARY 19th, 1883

The first electric lighting system using overhead wires built by Thomas Edison begins service in New Jersey.



TODAY IN HISTORY
JANUARY 20th, 1945

President Franklin D. Roosevelt is inaugurated to an unprecedented fourth term as president of the United States.



TODAY IN HISTORY
JANUARY 21st, 1793

King Louis XVI of France is guillotined on the charge of conspiring with foreign countries for the invasion of France.




TODAY IN HISTORY
JANUARY 22nd, 1528

England and France declare war on Charles V, Holy Roman Emperor and King of Spain.




TODAY IN HISTORY
JANUARY 23rd, 1849

Elizabeth Blackwell becomes the first female physician in the United States.



TODAY IN HISTORY
JANUARY 24th, 41

Roman Emperor Caligula is assassinated by his own guard. He was known for his madness and cruelty.




TODAY IN HISTORY
FEBRUARY 1st, 1587

Queen Elizabeth I signs the death warrant for her cousin, Mary Stuart, Queen of Scots.



TODAY IN HISTORY
FEBRUARY 2nd, 1863

Samuel Clemens uses the pen name Mark Twain for the first time in the Virginia newspaper the "Territorial Enterprise."



TODAY IN HISTORY
FEBRUARY 3rd, 1783

Spain recognizes American independence from England.




TODAY IN HISTORY
FEBRUARY 4th, 1861

Jefferson Davis is elected the President of the Confederacy during the American Civil War.



TODAY IN HISTORY
FEBRUARY 5th, 1631

The founder of Rhode Island, Roger Williams, arrives in Boston from England.



TODAY IN HISTORY
FEBRUARY 6th, 1952

Queen Elizabeth II succeeds King George VI to the British throne.



TODAY IN HISTORY
FEBRUARY 7th, 1949

Joe DiMaggio becomes the first baseball player to earn \$100,000/year.




TODAY IN HISTORY
FEBRUARY 8th, 1622

King James I disbands the English Parliament.



TODAY IN HISTORY
FEBRUARY 9th, 1825

John Quincy Adams is elected the 6th president of the United States.




TODAY IN HISTORY
FEBRUARY 10th, 1824

Simon Bolivar is named the dictator of Peru by the Congress of Peru.



TODAY IN HISTORY
FEBRUARY 11th, 1776

The Stamp Act is declared unconstitutional in Virginia.




TODAY IN HISTORY
FEBRUARY 12th, 1502

Vasco da Gama sets sail from Lisbon, Portugal on his second voyage to India.



TODAY IN HISTORY
FEBRUARY 13th, 1633

Galileo Galilei arrives in Rome to face the Inquisition for professing the belief that the Earth revolves around the Sun.




TODAY IN HISTORY
FEBRUARY 14th, 1929

The St. Valentine's Day Massacre in Chicago occurs; 7 gangsters were killed, allegedly on Al Capone's orders.



TODAY IN HISTORY
FEBRUARY 15th, 399

The philosopher Socrates is sentenced to death in Athens for corrupting the minds of the youth and for impiety.




TODAY IN HISTORY
FEBRUARY 16th, 1959

Fidel Castro names himself Cuba's premier, after overthrowing Fulgencio Batista.



TODAY IN HISTORY
FEBRUARY 17th, 1801

The U.S. House of Representatives chooses Thomas Jefferson for President over Aaron Burr.




TODAY IN HISTORY
FEBRUARY 18th, 1861

King Victor Emmanuel II of Sardinia becomes the first king of Italy.



TODAY IN HISTORY
FEBRUARY 19th, 1942

President Franklin D. Roosevelt orders the detention and internment of all west-coast Japanese-Americans.



TODAY IN HISTORY
FEBRUARY 20th, 1975

Margaret Thatcher is elected leader of the British Conservative Party.



TODAY IN HISTORY
FEBRUARY 21st, 1885

The Washington Monument is dedicated.




TODAY IN HISTORY
FEBRUARY 22nd, 1900

Hawaii becomes a United States territory.




TODAY IN HISTORY
FEBRUARY 23rd, 303

Roman Emperor Diocletian begins his policy of persecuting Christians.



TODAY IN HISTORY
FEBRUARY 24th, 1821

Mexico gains independence from Spain.



TODAY IN HISTORY
MARCH 1st, 1803

Ohio becomes the 17th state of the Union.



TODAY IN HISTORY
MARCH 2nd, 1807

Congress bans the slave trade within the U.S. effective January 1, 1808.




TODAY IN HISTORY
MARCH 3rd, 1887

Anne Sullivan begins teaching 6 year old blind-deaf Helen Keller.



TODAY IN HISTORY
MARCH 4th, 1628

King Charles I of England grants a royal charter to the Massachusetts Bay Colony.



TODAY IN HISTORY
MARCH 5th, 1496

King Henry VII of England gives John Cabot a commission to explore for new lands.



TODAY IN HISTORY
MARCH 6th, 1863

The Battle of Alamo ends after 13 days of fighting.



TODAY IN HISTORY
MARCH 7th, 1774

The British close the port of Boston to all commerce.




TODAY IN HISTORY
MARCH 8th, 1817

The New York Stock Exchange is founded.




TODAY IN HISTORY
MARCH 9th, 1776

Adam Smith publishes the influential economics book *The Wealth of Nations*.



TODAY IN HISTORY
MARCH 10th, 1876

Alexander Graham Bell makes the first telephone call to Thomas Watson.



TODAY IN HISTORY
MARCH 11th, 537

The Goths lay siege to Rome.




TODAY IN HISTORY
MARCH 12th, 1930

Mohandas Gandhi begins a 200-meter march protesting the British salt tax.



TODAY IN HISTORY
MARCH 13th, 1639

Cambridge College is renamed Harvard for clergyman John Harvard.




TODAY IN HISTORY
MARCH 14th, 1794

Eli Whitney patents the cotton gin.




TODAY IN HISTORY
MARCH 15th, 44 BCE

Julius Caesar is stabbed to death by Brutus, Cassius, and several other Roman senators.




TODAY IN HISTORY
MARCH 16th, 1850

Nathaniel Hawthorne's book *The Scarlett Letter* is published.




TODAY IN HISTORY
MARCH 17th, 432

Saint Patrick is captured from his home in Great Britain by Irish pirates and is taken as a slave to Ireland.



TODAY IN HISTORY
MARCH 18th, 1940

Benito Mussolini joins Adolf Hitler in Germany's war against France and England.




TODAY IN HISTORY
MARCH 19th, 1915

Pluto is photographed for the first time.




TODAY IN HISTORY
MARCH 20th, 1852

Harriet Beecher Stowe's book *Uncle Tom's Cabin* is published.



TODAY IN HISTORY
MARCH 21st, 1871

Journalist Henry Morton Stanley begins his famous expedition through Africa.




TODAY IN HISTORY
MARCH 22nd, 1765

The Stamp Act is passed: it is the first direct British tax on the American colonies.




TODAY IN HISTORY
MARCH 23rd, 1775

Patrick Henry proclaims "give me liberty or give me death" in a speech.



TODAY IN HISTORY
MARCH 24th, 1664


Roger Williams is granted a charter to colonize Rhode Island.



TODAY IN HISTORY
APRIL 1st, 1931
 Jackie Mitchell becomes the first female in professional baseball.




TODAY IN HISTORY
APRIL 2nd, 1513
 Juan Ponce de Leon claims Florida for Spain.



TODAY IN HISTORY
APRIL 3rd, 1922
 Joseph Stalin is appointed General Secretary of the Russian Communist Party by Vladimir Lenin.



TODAY IN HISTORY
APRIL 4th, 1841
 Vice President John Tyler becomes the 10th President of the U.S. after the death of William Henry Harrison.



TODAY IN HISTORY
APRIL 5th, 1792
 George Washington casts the first Presidential veto.



TODAY IN HISTORY
APRIL 6th, 1830
 Joseph Smith and five others organize a Mormon church in Seneca Co. New York.




TODAY IN HISTORY
APRIL 7th, 1652
 The Dutch establish a settlement at Cape Town, South Africa.




TODAY IN HISTORY
APRIL 8th, 1820
 The famous ancient Greek statue, Venus de Milo, is discovered on the Aegean island of Melos.




TODAY IN HISTORY
APRIL 9th, 193
 Septimius Severus is proclaimed Roman Emperor.



TODAY IN HISTORY
APRIL 10th, 1869
 Congress increases the number of Supreme Court justices from 7 to 9.



TODAY IN HISTORY
APRIL 11th, 1814
 Napoleon abdicates unconditionally and is exiled to Elba.



TODAY IN HISTORY
APRIL 12th, 1948
 U.S. President Franklin Roosevelt dies in office and Vice President Harry Truman is sworn in as 33rd President.



TODAY IN HISTORY
APRIL 13th, 1902
 J.C. Penny opens his first store in Kemmerer, Wyoming.



TODAY IN HISTORY
APRIL 14th, 1865
 President Abraham Lincoln is shot by John Wilkes Booth at Ford's Theatre.




TODAY IN HISTORY
APRIL 15th, 1912
 The Titanic sinks in the North Atlantic Ocean about 200 miles south of Newfoundland, Canada.




TODAY IN HISTORY
APRIL 16th, 1912
 Harriet Quimby becomes the first female pilot to fly across the English Channel.



TODAY IN HISTORY
APRIL 17th, 1397
 Geoffrey Chaucer tells the Canterbury Tales for the first time at the court of King Richard II.




TODAY IN HISTORY
APRIL 18th, 1775
 Paul Revere and William Dawes ride from Charleston to Lexington warning the "regulars are coming!"



TODAY IN HISTORY
APRIL 19th, 1775
 The American Revolution begins.



TODAY IN HISTORY
APRIL 20th, 1862
 The first pasteurization test is done by Louis Pasteur and Claude Bernard.



TODAY IN HISTORY
APRIL 21st, 753 BCE
 Romulus and Remus found Rome.



TODAY IN HISTORY
APRIL 22nd, 1914
 Poison gas is used for the first time during World War I.



TODAY IN HISTORY
APRIL 23rd, 1962
 The first U.S. satellite to reach the moon is launched.




TODAY IN HISTORY
APRIL 24th, 1916
 The Easter Rising of Irish republicans against British occupation begins in Dublin.




TODAY IN HISTORY
MAY 1st, 1785

Kamehameha, the king of Hawai'i, defeats Kalanikupule and establishes the kingdom of Hawaii.




TODAY IN HISTORY
MAY 2nd, 1536

Anne Boleyn is arrested and locked in the Tower of London.



TODAY IN HISTORY
MAY 3rd, 1915

John McCrae writes the poem "In Flanders Fields."



TODAY IN HISTORY
MAY 4th, 1953

Ernest Hemingway is awarded the Pulitzer Prize for "The Old Man and The Sea."



TODAY IN HISTORY
MAY 5th, 1260

Kublai Khan becomes the ruler of the Mongol Empire.




TODAY IN HISTORY
MAY 6th, 1682

King Louis XIV of France moves his court to Versailles.




TODAY IN HISTORY
MAY 7th, 1866

German premier Otto von Bismarck is seriously wounded in an assassination attempt.



TODAY IN HISTORY
MAY 8th, 1858

John Brown holds an anti-slavery convention.




TODAY IN HISTORY
MAY 9th, 1502

Christopher Columbus leaves Spain on his 4th and final voyage to the New World.



TODAY IN HISTORY
MAY 10th, 1752

Benjamin Franklin tests the lightning conductor with his kite-flying experiment.




TODAY IN HISTORY
MAY 11th, 330

Constantinople (Byzantium) becomes the capital of the Roman Empire.



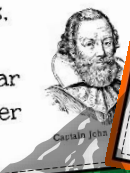
TODAY IN HISTORY
MAY 12th

Nelson Mandela sees his wife for the first time in 22 years.



TODAY IN HISTORY
MAY 13th, 1607

English settlers, led by John Smith, land near the James River in Virginia.




TODAY IN HISTORY
MAY 14th, 1643

King Louis XIV becomes king of France at age four.




TODAY IN HISTORY
MAY 15th, 1869

Susan B. Anthony and Elizabeth Stanton found the National Woman Suffrage Association in New York.




TODAY IN HISTORY
MAY 16th, 1860

The Republican Convention selects Abraham Lincoln as their presidential candidate.




TODAY IN HISTORY
MAY 17th, 1944

General Eisenhower sets D-Day for June 5th.



TODAY IN HISTORY
MAY 18th, 1631

John Winthrop is elected the first governor of the Massachusetts Bay Colony.



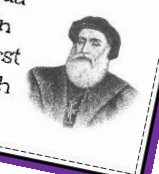
TODAY IN HISTORY
MAY 19th, 1568

English Queen Elizabeth I arrests Mary, Queen of Scots.



TODAY IN HISTORY
MAY 20th, 1498

Explorer Vasco da Gama arrives in India; he is the first European to reach India by sea.




TODAY IN HISTORY
MAY 21st, 1881

Clara Barton founds the American Red Cross.



TODAY IN HISTORY
MAY 22nd, 1807

Former Vice President Aaron Burr is tried for treason in Virginia.




TODAY IN HISTORY
MAY 23rd, 1701

Captain William Kidd is hanged in London after being convicted of piracy.



TODAY IN HISTORY
MAY 24th, 1774

John Hancock is unanimously elected President of the Continental Congress.



TODAY IN HISTORY

JUNE 1st, 1533

Anne Boleyn is crowned queen of England.



TODAY IN HISTORY

JUNE 2nd, 1863

Harriet Tubman leads Union guerrilla soldiers into Maryland to free slaves.



TODAY IN HISTORY

JUNE 3rd, 1539

Hernando de Soto claims Florida for Spain.



TODAY IN HISTORY

JUNE 4th, 1896

Henry Ford drives his first Ford through the streets of Detroit, MI.



TODAY IN HISTORY

JUNE 5th, 1947

U.S. Secretary of State George Marshall outlines the "Marshall Plan."



TODAY IN HISTORY

JUNE 6th, 1968

Senator Robert F. Kennedy dies from his wounds after being shot the previous night.



TODAY IN HISTORY

JUNE 7th, 1654

Louis XIV is crowned King of France.



TODAY IN HISTORY

JUNE 8th, 452

Attila the Hun invades Italy.



TODAY IN HISTORY

JUNE 9th, 1915

President Woodrow Wilson sends a second note to Germany protesting the sinking of the Lusitania.



TODAY IN HISTORY

JUNE 10th, 1943

Franklin D. Roosevelt becomes the first U.S. president to visit a foreign country during war time.



TODAY IN HISTORY

JUNE 11th, 1770

Captain James Cook discovers the Great Barrier Reef off the coast of Australia.



TODAY IN HISTORY

JUNE 12th, 1931

Al Capone is indicted on 5,000 counts of prohibition and perjury.



TODAY IN HISTORY

JUNE 13th, 1866

The U.S. House of Representatives passes the 14th Amendment which granted citizenship to all people born or naturalized in the U.S., including former slaves.



TODAY IN HISTORY

JUNE 14th, 1847

Robert Bunsen invents the Bunsen burner.



TODAY IN HISTORY

JUNE 15th, 1775

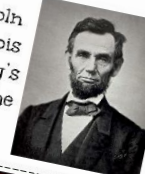
George Washington is appointed commander-in-chief of the American Army.



TODAY IN HISTORY

JUNE 16th, 1858

Abraham Lincoln accepts the Illinois Republican Party's nomination for the Senate.



TODAY IN HISTORY

JUNE 17th, 1775

The Battle of Bunker Hill takes place in Charlestown, Boston, MA.



TODAY IN HISTORY

JUNE 18th, 1682

William Penn founds the city of Philadelphia.



TODAY IN HISTORY

JUNE 19th, 1963

Valentina Tereshkova, the first woman in space, returns to Earth.



TODAY IN HISTORY

JUNE 20th, 1789

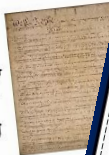
The Tennis Court Oath in France is made at Versailles.



TODAY IN HISTORY

JUNE 21st, 1788

The United States Constitution comes into effect when New Hampshire becomes the 9th state to ratify it.



TODAY IN HISTORY

JUNE 22nd, 1633

Galileo Galilei is forced to recant his view that the Earth orbits the sun by the Pope.



TODAY IN HISTORY

JUNE 23rd, 1888

Frederick Douglass is the first African American to be nominated for President.



TODAY IN HISTORY

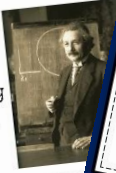
JUNE 24th, 1497

John Cabot claims Eastern Canada for England.




TODAY IN HISTORY
JULY 1st, 1905

Albert Einstein introduces his theory of special relativity.




TODAY IN HISTORY
JULY 2nd, 1881

President James Garfield is shot by Charles J. Guiteau; Garfield dies 79 days later.



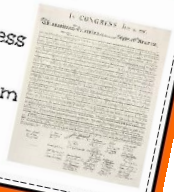
TODAY IN HISTORY
JULY 3rd, 1608

Samuel de Champlain founds the city of Quebec.




TODAY IN HISTORY
JULY 4th, 1776

The U.S. Congress declares independence from Great Britain.



TODAY IN HISTORY
JULY 5th, 1865

Great Britain enacts the world's first speed limit law.



TODAY IN HISTORY
JULY 6th, 1848

The Mexican-American War ends with the Treaty of Guadalupe Hidalgo.




TODAY IN HISTORY
JULY 7th, 1456

A retrial verdict acquits Joan of Arc of heresy 25 years after her death.




TODAY IN HISTORY
JULY 8th, 1663

King Charles II of England grants a royal charter to Rhode Island.



TODAY IN HISTORY
JULY 9th, 1893

Daniel Williams performs the first successful open heart surgery without anesthesia.




TODAY IN HISTORY
JULY 10th, 1962

Martin Luther King Jr. is arrested during a demonstration in Georgia.



TODAY IN HISTORY
JULY 11th, 1533

Pope Clement VII excommunicates England's King Henry VIII.



TODAY IN HISTORY
JULY 12th, 1804

Alexander Hamilton dies after being shot in a pistol duel by Aaron Burr.




TODAY IN HISTORY
JULY 13th, 1837

Queen Victoria is the first British monarch to live in present Buckingham Palace.



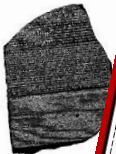
TODAY IN HISTORY
JULY 14th, 1976

Jimmy Carter wins the Democratic presidential nomination.



TODAY IN HISTORY
JULY 15th, 1799

The Rosetta Stone is found in Egypt by French Captain Pierre Francois Bouchard.



TODAY IN HISTORY
JULY 16th, 622

Muhammad begins his flight from Mecca to Medina.




TODAY IN HISTORY
JULY 17th, 1821

Spain cedes Florida to the United States.



TODAY IN HISTORY
JULY 18th, 64 BCE

The Great Fire of Rome begins under Emperor Nero.




TODAY IN HISTORY
JULY 19th, 1848

The first U.S. women's rights convention is held in Seneca Falls, NY; it was organized by Elizabeth Cady Stanton and Lucretia Mott.



TODAY IN HISTORY
JULY 20th, 1881

Sioux Chief Sitting Bull surrenders to U.S. federal troops.




TODAY IN HISTORY
JULY 21st, 1969

Neil Armstrong becomes the first person to step on the Moon.




TODAY IN HISTORY
JULY 22nd, 1937

The U.S. Senate rejects FDR's proposal to enlarge the Supreme Court.



TODAY IN HISTORY
JULY 28th, 1794

Robespierre and 22 other leaders of "the Terror" are guillotined in Paris.



TODAY IN HISTORY
JULY 29th, 1914

The first transcontinental phone link is made between New York City and San Francisco.



TODAY IN HISTORY

AUGUST 1st, 30 BCE

Octavian (later known as Augustus) brings Alexandria, Egypt under the control of the Roman Republic.



TODAY IN HISTORY

AUGUST 2nd, 1802

Napoleon Bonaparte is declared "Consul for Life."



TODAY IN HISTORY

AUGUST 3rd, 1492

Christopher Columbus sets sail on his first voyage from Spain to the New World.



TODAY IN HISTORY

AUGUST 4th, 1944

Anne Frank is arrested in Amsterdam by the German Security Police.



TODAY IN HISTORY

AUGUST 5th, 1305

Scottish resistance leader William Wallace is captured by the English and is transported to London for trial and execution.



TODAY IN HISTORY

AUGUST 6th, 1945

An atomic bomb is dropped on Hiroshima, Japan, by the United States.



TODAY IN HISTORY

AUGUST 7th, 1912

The Progressive (Bull Moose) Party nominates Theodore Roosevelt for President.



TODAY IN HISTORY

AUGUST 8th, 1844

Brigham Young is chosen as head of the Mormon Church following the death of Joseph Smith.



TODAY IN HISTORY

AUGUST 9th, 1854

Henry David Thoreau publishes "Walden."



TODAY IN HISTORY

AUGUST 10th, 1831

Former slave Nat Turner leads an uprising against slavery.



TODAY IN HISTORY

AUGUST 11th, 1950

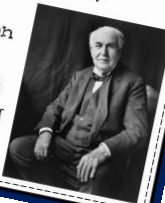
Ethel Rosenberg testifies before a grand jury on allegations of spying for the Soviet Union.



TODAY IN HISTORY

AUGUST 12th, 1877

Thomas Edison invents the Edisonphone, a sound recording device.



TODAY IN HISTORY

AUGUST 13th, 1521

Spanish conquistadors under Hernan Cortes capture the Aztec Emperor Cuauhtemoc in Tenochtitlan marking the end of the Aztec Empire.



TODAY IN HISTORY

AUGUST 14th, 1945

Japan surrenders unconditionally to end WWII in what is known as V-J Day.



TODAY IN HISTORY

AUGUST 15th, 1969

The Woodstock Music & Art Fair opens in New York State on Max Yasgur's Dairy Farm.



TODAY IN HISTORY

AUGUST 16th, 1812

British forces capture Fort Detroit with the help of Indigenous warriors led by Tecumseh.



TODAY IN HISTORY

AUGUST 17th, 1940

Adolf Hitler orders a total blockade of Great Britain.



TODAY IN HISTORY

AUGUST 18th, 1914

U.S. President Woodrow Wilson issues a "Proclamation of Neutrality" during WWI.



TODAY IN HISTORY

AUGUST 19th, 1961

U.S. vice-president Lyndon B. Johnson visits West Berlin.



TODAY IN HISTORY

AUGUST 20th, 1191

Crusader King Richard I (the Lionheart) kills 3,000 Muslim prisoners in Akko.



TODAY IN HISTORY

AUGUST 21st, 1991

A conservative coup in the Soviet Union is crushed by popular resistance led by Boris Yeltsin in three days.



TODAY IN HISTORY

AUGUST 22nd, 1921

J. Edgar Hoover becomes Assistant Director of the FBI.



TODAY IN HISTORY

AUGUST 23rd, 1939

The USSR and Germany sign a non-aggression pact.



TODAY IN HISTORY

AUGUST 24th, 1215

Pope Innocent III declares the Magna Carta invalid.



TODAY IN HISTORY

SEPTEMBER 1st, 1807

Aaron Burr is acquitted of charges to set up an empire in the United States.



TODAY IN HISTORY

SEPTEMBER 2nd, 1192

The Sultan Saladin and King Richard the Lionheart of England sign a treaty that ends the Third Crusade.



TODAY IN HISTORY

SEPTEMBER 3rd, 1838

Frederick Douglass escapes from slavery disguised as a sailor.



TODAY IN HISTORY

SEPTEMBER 4th, 1682

English astronomer Edmond Halley observes the comet that will be named after him.



TODAY IN HISTORY

SEPTEMBER 5th, 1698

Russian Tsar Peter the Great imposes a tax on beards.



TODAY IN HISTORY

SEPTEMBER 6th, 1522

Ferdinand Magellan's Spanish expedition returns to Spain without their captain. This expedition was the first to circumnavigate the earth.



TODAY IN HISTORY

SEPTEMBER 7th, 70

A Roman army under General Titus occupies and plunders Jerusalem.



TODAY IN HISTORY

SEPTEMBER 8th, 1504

Michelangelo's statue of David is unveiled in Florence, Italy.



TODAY IN HISTORY

SEPTEMBER 9th, 1543

Mary Stuart is crowned "Queen of Scots" at nine months old.



TODAY IN HISTORY

SEPTEMBER 10th, 1608

John Smith is elected the president of Jamestown colony council.



TODAY IN HISTORY

SEPTEMBER 11th, 2001

Two passenger planes hijacked by terrorists crash into New York's Twin Towers.



TODAY IN HISTORY

SEPTEMBER 12th, 1992

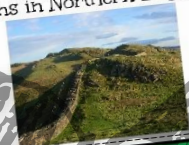
Mae Jemison becomes the first African American woman to go to space.



TODAY IN HISTORY

SEPTEMBER 13th, 122

The building of Hadrian's Wall begins in Northern England.



TODAY IN HISTORY

SEPTEMBER 14th, 1901

Theodore Roosevelt is sworn in as the youngest U.S. President after William McKinley dies from a gunshot wound.



TODAY IN HISTORY

SEPTEMBER 15th, 1835

Charles Darwin and the HMS Beagle reaches the Galapagos Islands.



TODAY IN HISTORY

SEPTEMBER 16th, 1906

Norwegian explorer Roald Amundsen discovers the Magnetic South Pole.



TODAY IN HISTORY

SEPTEMBER 17th, 1849

Harriet Tubman escapes slavery in Maryland with two of her brothers.



TODAY IN HISTORY

SEPTEMBER 18th, 1914

General Paul von Hindenburg is named commander of German armies on the Eastern Front during WWI.



TODAY IN HISTORY

SEPTEMBER 19th, 1796

George Washington gives his farewell address as president.



TODAY IN HISTORY

SEPTEMBER 20th, 1881

Chester A. Arthur is sworn in as 21st president of the United States.



TODAY IN HISTORY

SEPTEMBER 21st, 1780

Benedict Arnold gives the British the plans to West Point.



TODAY IN HISTORY

SEPTEMBER 22nd, 1975

President Gerald Ford survives a second assassination attempt.



TODAY IN HISTORY

SEPTEMBER 23rd, 1932

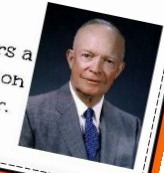
Abdulaziz Ibn Saud merges the Kingdom of Nejd and Hejaz into the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia.



TODAY IN HISTORY

SEPTEMBER 24th, 1955

President Eisenhower suffers a heart attack while on vacation in Denver.



TODAY IN HISTORY

OCTOBER 1st, 1868

Little Women by Louisa May Alcott is published.



TODAY IN HISTORY

OCTOBER 2nd, 1919

President Woodrow Wilson has a stroke, leaving him partially paralyzed.



TODAY IN HISTORY

OCTOBER 3rd, 1941

Nazis blow up six synagogues in Paris.



TODAY IN HISTORY

OCTOBER 4th, 1854

Abraham Lincoln gives his first political speech at the Illinois State Fair.



TODAY IN HISTORY

OCTOBER 5th, 1947

Harry Truman gives the first Presidential address televised from the White House.



TODAY IN HISTORY

OCTOBER 6th, 1951

Joseph Stalin proclaims that the Soviet Union has the atomic bomb.



TODAY IN HISTORY

OCTOBER 7th, 1886

Spain abolishes slavery in Cuba.



TODAY IN HISTORY

OCTOBER 8th, 1862

Otto von Bismarck becomes Chancellor of the German Empire.



TODAY IN HISTORY

OCTOBER 9th, 1635

Roger Williams is banished from Massachusetts Bay Colony.



TODAY IN HISTORY

OCTOBER 10th, 1978

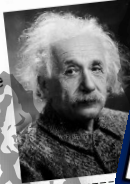
The U.S. Congress approves a dollar coin honoring Susan B. Anthony.



TODAY IN HISTORY

OCTOBER 11th, 1939

Albert Einstein informs FDR of the possibilities of an atomic bomb.



TODAY IN HISTORY

OCTOBER 12th, 1859

Self-proclaimed Emperor of the United States Emperor Norton issues an edict abolishing Congress.



TODAY IN HISTORY

OCTOBER 13th, 54

Nero succeeds Claudius as Roman Emperor.



TODAY IN HISTORY

OCTOBER 14th, 1926

AA Milne's book Winnie the Pooh is released.



TODAY IN HISTORY

OCTOBER 15th, 1520

King Henry VIII of England orders bowling lanes at Whitehall.



TODAY IN HISTORY

OCTOBER 16th, 1859

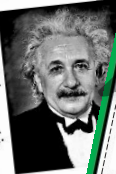
John Brown leads 21 others in a raid on the federal arsenal in Harper's Ferry, VA.



TODAY IN HISTORY

OCTOBER 17th, 1933

Albert Einstein arrives in the United States as a refugee from Nazi Germany.



TODAY IN HISTORY

OCTOBER 18th, 1685

French King Louis XIV revokes the Edict of Nantes revoking the rights of French Protestants.



TODAY IN HISTORY

OCTOBER 19th, 1960

Martin Luther King Jr. is arrested at an Atlanta sit-in.



TODAY IN HISTORY

OCTOBER 20th, 1097

The first Crusaders arrive in Antioch during the First Crusade.



TODAY IN HISTORY

OCTOBER 21st, 1971

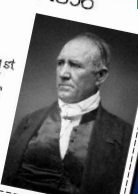
The Nobel prize for literature is awarded to Pablo Neruda.



TODAY IN HISTORY

OCTOBER 22nd, 1836

Sam Houston is inaugurated as the 1st elected President of the Republic of Texas.



TODAY IN HISTORY

OCTOBER 23rd, 1739

British Prime Minister Robert Walpole reluctantly declares war on Spain, beginning the War of Jenkins' Ear.



TODAY IN HISTORY

OCTOBER 24th, 1648

The Treaty of Westphalia ends the Thirty Year's War in the Holy Roman Empire.



TODAY IN HISTORY
NOVEMBER 1st, 1512

Michelangelo's paintings on the ceiling of the Sistine Chapel are exhibited for the first time.




TODAY IN HISTORY
NOVEMBER 2nd, 1853

The second Seminole War begins in Osceola.



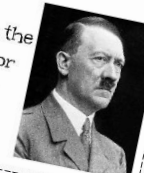
TODAY IN HISTORY
NOVEMBER 3rd, 197

President Richard Nixon promises to gradually remove troops from Vietnam.




TODAY IN HISTORY
NOVEMBER 4th, 1921

Adolf Hitler forms the Sturmabteilung, or SA (the "Brown Shirts").



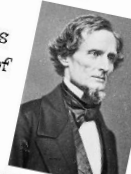
TODAY IN HISTORY
NOVEMBER 5th, 1605

Guy Fawkes and other Catholic conspirators attempt to blow up King James I and the British Parliament, but their plot is discovered.



TODAY IN HISTORY
NOVEMBER 6th, 1861

Jefferson Davis is elected President of the Confederate States of America.



TODAY IN HISTORY
NOVEMBER 7th, 1916

Jeanette Rankin becomes the first woman elected to Congress.




TODAY IN HISTORY
NOVEMBER 8th, 1519

Moctezuma II and Hernan Cortes meet for the first time in Tenochtitlan, Mexico.



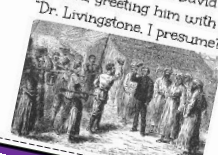
TODAY IN HISTORY
NOVEMBER 9th, 1541

Henry VIII's fifth wife, Queen Catherine Howard, is confined in the Tower of London.



TODAY IN HISTORY
NOVEMBER 10th, 1871

Henry Morton Stanley meets David Livingstone in Central Africa, greeting him with the phrase "Dr. Livingstone, I presume?"




TODAY IN HISTORY
NOVEMBER 11th, 1961

Stalingrad is renamed Volgograd.




TODAY IN HISTORY
NOVEMBER 12th, 1927

Leon Trotsky is expelled from the Soviet Communist Party, paving the way for the rise of Joseph Stalin.



TODAY IN HISTORY
NOVEMBER 13th, 1851

A telegraph connection between London and Paris is linked.



TODAY IN HISTORY
NOVEMBER 14th, 1935

Franklin D. Roosevelt proclaims the Philippine Islands a free commonwealth.



TODAY IN HISTORY
NOVEMBER 15th, 1864

General Sherman leaves Atlanta on his "March to the Sea."




TODAY IN HISTORY
NOVEMBER 16th, 1939

Al Capone is freed from Alcatraz jail.




TODAY IN HISTORY
NOVEMBER 17th, 1894

Serial killer H. H. Holmes is arrested in Boston.




TODAY IN HISTORY
NOVEMBER 18th, 1497

Portuguese navigator Vasco da Gama reaches the Cape of Good Hope.



TODAY IN HISTORY
NOVEMBER 19th, 1998

Vincent van Gogh's "Portrait of the Artist Without a Beard" sells at an auction for \$71.5 million.




TODAY IN HISTORY
NOVEMBER 20th, 1815

In the 2nd Treaty of Paris, France agrees to pay after the Battle of Waterloo, ending the Napoleonic Wars.



TODAY IN HISTORY
NOVEMBER 21st, 1877

Thomas Edison announces the invention of his "talking machine," the phonograph.



TODAY IN HISTORY
NOVEMBER 22nd, 1943

FDR, Churchill, and Chiang Kai-shek meet to discuss strategies to defeat Japan.



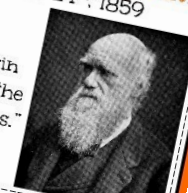
TODAY IN HISTORY
NOVEMBER 23rd, 1963

Lyndon B. Johnson proclaims November 25th a national day of mourning for JFK.




TODAY IN HISTORY
NOVEMBER 24th, 1859

Charles Darwin publishes "On the Origin of Species."



TODAY IN HISTORY
DECEMBER 1st, 1913

Ford Motor Company begins the world's first assembly line for the Model T.




TODAY IN HISTORY
DECEMBER 2nd, 1804

Napoleon Bonaparte is crowned Emperor of France in Paris.




TODAY IN HISTORY
DECEMBER 3rd, 1847

Frederick Douglass publishes the first issue of his newspaper, "North Star."




TODAY IN HISTORY
DECEMBER 4th, 1918

President Woodrow Wilson leaves for the Versailles Peace Conference in France. He is the first President to travel outside of the U.S. while in office.



TODAY IN HISTORY
DECEMBER 5th, 711

Charlemagne becomes sole King of the Franks after his brother, Carloman, dies.




TODAY IN HISTORY
DECEMBER 6th, 1923

President Calvin Coolidge makes the first Presidential address broadcast on radio.



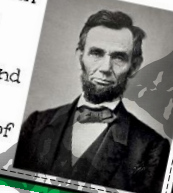
TODAY IN HISTORY
DECEMBER 7th, 1912

A bust of Queen Nefertiti is found in El-Amarna, Egypt.



TODAY IN HISTORY
DECEMBER 8th, 1863

President Lincoln issues his Amnesty Proclamation and plan for the Reconstruction of the South.



TODAY IN HISTORY
DECEMBER 9th, 1868

The first traffic lights are installed outside the Palace of Westminster in London.




TODAY IN HISTORY
DECEMBER 10th, 1520

Martin Luther publicly burns the papal edict demanding that he recant.



TODAY IN HISTORY
DECEMBER 11th, 1936

Edward VIII announces via radio broadcast that he is abdicating the British throne to marry Wallis Simpson.



TODAY IN HISTORY
DECEMBER 12th, 1474

Isabella of Spain crowns herself queen of Castile and Aragon.



TODAY IN HISTORY
DECEMBER 13th, 1577

Sir Francis Drake leaves England to circumnavigate the world.



TODAY IN HISTORY
DECEMBER 14th, 1542

Mary Stuart succeeds her father James V and becomes Queen Mary I of Scotland at 6 days old.



TODAY IN HISTORY
DECEMBER 15th, 1916

The French defeat the Germans in WWI at the Battle of Verdun.



TODAY IN HISTORY
DECEMBER 16th, 1653

Oliver Cromwell is appointed Lord Protector of England, Scotland, and Ireland.



TODAY IN HISTORY
DECEMBER 17th, 1538

Pope Paul II excommunicates King Henry VIII of England.




TODAY IN HISTORY
DECEMBER 18th, 1271

Kublai Khan renames his empire "Yuan," marking the beginning of the Yuan Dynasty of China.




TODAY IN HISTORY
DECEMBER 19th, 1783

At age 24, William Pitt the Younger becomes the youngest British Prime Minister.




TODAY IN HISTORY
DECEMBER 20th, 1192

Richard the Lionhearted is captured in Vienna.



TODAY IN HISTORY
DECEMBER 21st, 1898

French scientists Pierre and Marie Curie discover radium.




TODAY IN HISTORY
DECEMBER 22nd, 1882

Thomas Edison creates the first string of Christmas tree lights.



TODAY IN HISTORY
DECEMBER 23rd, 1815

Jane Austen's "Emma" is published by John Murray in London.



TODAY IN HISTORY
DECEMBER 24th, 1777

James Cook discovers Kiritimati, or, Christmas Island.

