

Thursday, April 20

ON THIS DAY



▲ **1999:** Two teenagers shot dead 12 fellow students and a teacher at Columbine High School in Colorado before also killing themselves

1768: Italian painter Canaletto, best known for his paintings of Venetian scenes, died

1968: Pierre Trudeau succeeded Lester Pearson as prime minister of Canada

1990: The Soviet Union cut off 85 percent of gas supplies to Lithuania in a bid to quell demands for independence

2005: President Lucio Gutierrez of Ecuador was dismissed by the National Congress