

▲ 1950: North Korea invaded South Korea, crossing the 38th parallel behind a firestorm of artillery, and precipitating the Korean War

**1969:** Pancho Gonzalez and Charlie Paserell played the longest-ever singles match at Wimbledon, lasting 5 hours and 12 minutes

1975: Samora Machel was sworn in as President of Mozambique after 477 years of Portuguese rule

**1993:** Kim Campbell took office as Canada's first woman prime minister

2006: The world's two largest steel companies, Arcelor of France and India's Mittal Steel, agreed a merger

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