



## Today in History

*October 10, 1962*

▲ **America's Mariner II space probe measured the solar wind, a constant stream of charged particles flowing outwards from the Sun**

**1911:** China's Xinhai Revolution began. It overthrew the 4,000 year Qing Dynasty

**1957:** A fire at Windscale atomic power station resulted in the worst nuclear accident in Britain's history

**2005:** Angela Merkel, leader of the Christian Democrats, became Germany's first woman chancellor

**2010:** Sachin Tendulkar of India became the first cricketer to pass 14,000 runs in Test cricket