

A close-up portrait of Benazir Bhutto, looking slightly to the left. She has dark, wavy hair and is wearing a light blue headscarf. Her expression is serious.

Today in History

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▲ **Benazir Bhutto, aged 35, was sworn in as prime minister of Pakistan, becoming the first woman in modern times to head the government of an Islamic state**

1901: The first safety razor with disposable blades was patented by King Camp Gillette of Illinois, U.S.

1921: Fashion designers introduced the first knee-high skirts for women

1971: The United Arab Emirates came into being, comprising Abu Dhabi, Dubai, Sharjah, Ajman, Umm al-Qaiwain and Fujairah

2002: Argentinians were permitted to withdraw cash from banks for the first time in a year