



## Today in History

*February 4, 1911*

▲ Rolls Royce commissioned Charles Sykes to produce a mascot suitable for the bonnet of their cars. It became known as the **The Spirit Of Ecstasy**

**1924:** Mahatma Gandhi was released after spending two years in jail in Bombay

**1948:** Sri Lanka, formerly known as Ceylon, became an independent state within the **British Commonwealth**

**2011:** Myanmar chose outgoing prime minister, Thein Sein, to become the first civilian president in half a century

**2012:** Russia and China vetoed an effort by the **UN Security Council** to end the violence in Syria