



## Today in History

*February 17, 1923*

▲ **Howard Carter and Lord Carnarvon opened the inner tomb of the Egyptian King Tutankhamun at Luxor. The tomb had been sealed since 1337 BC**

**1869:** Dmitri Mendeleev, by writing the chief properties of chemical elements on cards and arranging them in various ways, discovered the Periodic Table

**1883:** The Vacant-Engaged toilet-door sign was patented by an Englishman named Mr Ashwell

**1904:** Puccini's Madame Butterfly was first performed at La Scala, Milan

**2003:** Over \$100 million worth of diamonds were stolen in the largest jewel theft in Belgian history