



Today in History

March 13, 1992

▲ The newspaper Pravda ceased publication after a decree by Russian President Boris Yeltsin shut down the Communist Party and seized all of its property

1781: William Herschel detected the planet Uranus in the night sky but thought it was a comet

1877: A teenager who used fur pads on a wire frame when skating, got the first U.S. patent for earmuffs

1926: The first commercial air route across Africa, from London to Cape Town, was established

2001: As foot-and-mouth disease spread from Britain to Europe, the U.S. and Canada banned imports