



## Today in History

*April 2, 1979*

▲ The mass graves of the Khmer Rouge regime in Cambodia were first revealed. More than a million people are believed to have been executed between 1975-79

**1513:** Spanish explorer Juan Ponce de Leon became the first European to set foot in Florida, claiming it for Spain

**1905:** The Simplon rail tunnel was opened, linking Switzerland and Italy

**1982:** Argentina invaded the Falkland Islands but Britain dispatched a naval task force and retook the islands after 74 days

**2005:** Pope John Paul II, spiritual leader of the world's 1.2 billion Catholics, died at the age of 84