



Today in History

April 7, 1862

▲ During the American Civil War, the Union army defeated a 43,000-strong Confederate force at the Battle of Shiloh paving the way for the fall of Mississippi

1853: Queen Victoria was given chloroform for the birth of Prince Leopold

1943: The hallucinogenic compound LSD was synthesized by Swiss chemist Albert Hoffman

1953: Dag Hammarskjold of Sweden was elected Secretary General of the United Nations

1963: The Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia was set up with Marshall Tito as its president for life