



Today in History

May 14, 1973

▲ The Skylab I laboratory, America's first manned orbiting space station, was launched into orbit aboard the last Saturn Five booster rocket

1940: Two thirds of the Dutch city of Rotterdam was destroyed by German bombing, killing almost 1,000 people

1948: David Ben-Gurion signed the state of Israel into being

1993: The creation of a sanctuary for whales in the oceans around Antarctica was officially endorsed

2003: Nestor Kirchner became president of Argentina when his challenger, former president Carlos Menem, abruptly dropped out