

A sepia-toned photograph of a man in a light-colored suit operating a large, boxy television camera mounted on a tripod. In the background, a tall, lattice-structured radio or television tower rises above a building with arched windows. The scene is set outdoors.

Today in History

November 2, 1936

▲ The world's first public regular high definition television service was inaugurated by the BBC at Alexandra Palace in London using 240 and 405 lines

1938: Hungary annexed southern Slovakia following the dismemberment of Czechoslovakia

1953: Pakistan was renamed as the Islamic Republic of Pakistan

1988: The first significant computer "worm" was released by a U.S. student, clogging thousands of computers

2003: Anglican leaders feared a major schism after an openly gay man was consecrated in the U.S. as Bishop of New Hampshire