

A close-up portrait of Benazir Bhutto, looking slightly to the left. She has dark, wavy hair and is wearing a light blue headscarf. Her expression is serious.

Today in History

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▲ **Benazir Bhutto's Pakistan People's Party won the general election in Pakistan, making her the first woman leader of an Islamic country in modern times**

1824: Hamilton Hume discovered the Murray River, the longest in Australia at 2,375 kilometres (1,476 miles)

1933: The United States was the last major power to establish diplomatic relations with the Soviet Union

1960: Oscar-winning screen star Clark Gable, best known as Rhett Butler in the film *Gone with the Wind*, died

1989: South Africa scrapped the Separate Amenities Act, allowing all races to enjoy the nation's beaches