



Today in History

January 30, 1948

▲ Mahatma Gandhi, who led India to independence from British rule through his philosophy of non-violent civil disobedience, was assassinated by a Hindu extremist

1934: A Soviet hydrogen-filled balloon reached an altitude of 22,000 metres (over 13 miles) into the stratosphere

1979: White Rhodesians voted in favour of a new constitution aimed at black majority rule

2005: Millions voted in Iraq's first democratic election in 50 years

2010: Guangzhou South Railway Station, one of the four largest rail passenger transportation hubs in China, was opened