



Today in History

February 23, 1944

▲ The forcible deportation of one million Chechens by Soviet dictator Josef Stalin, who accused them of collaboration with Nazi Germany, is remembered

1836: Several thousand Mexican troops besieged the Alamo, held by just 145 Texans including Davy Crockett

1917: Riots and strikes in Russia due to food shortages marked the start of the “February Revolution”

1941: Plutonium-238 was identified but its discovery was not published until after World War II

1996: Two sons-in-law of Saddam Hussein were executed on return to Iraq despite promises of safety