



Today in History

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▲ **The Grand Canyon National Park was established in Arizona. The horizontal strata, carved out by the Colorado River, retrace two billion years of geological history**

1815: Napoleon escaped from the island of Elba in an attempt to regain the throne of France

1839: Britain's Grand National horse race was run for the first time

1901: The leaders of China's Boxer Rebellion, Chi-hsui and Hsu Cheng-yu, were beheaded in public

2003: A collection of paintings by Henri Matisse, containing over 100 works, was donated to New York's Metropolitan Museum of Art