



Today in History

March 16, 1867

▲ **Joseph Lister, pioneer of antiseptic surgery, reported that carbolic acid solution swabbed on wounds greatly reduced cases of gangrene and mortality rates**

1792: Gustavus III of Sweden was fatally shot at a masked ball

1968: U.S. troops massacred up to 500 Vietnamese civilians in My Lai village during the Vietnam War. Most were women, children, or elderly people

1990: Arthur Evans purchased the land around the ruins of Knossos, Crete's largest Bronze Age archaeological site

1998: The Vatican apologised to Jews for not having taken firmer action to stop the Nazi Holocaust