



Today in History

March 28, 1979

▲ A partial meltdown in a nuclear reactor at the Three Mile Island power plant in Pennsylvania caused the worst commercial nuclear accident in U.S. history

1797: U.S. inventor Nathaniel Briggs patented a washing machine

1854: France and Great Britain declared war on Russia, entering the Crimean War on the side of the Ottoman Turks

1930: Constantinople, capital city of the late Roman, Byzantine and Ottoman empires, was formally renamed Istanbul

1939: Madrid fell to General Franco's Nationalist forces, ending the Spanish Civil War