



## Today in History

*April 1, 2004*

▲ The high-speed Korea Train Express (KTX) entered service in South Korea, after 12 years of construction. Trains ran at an average speed of 300km per hour

**1889:** The first commercial dishwashing machine was marketed in Chicago

**1919:** Germany's Bauhaus school, combining crafts with the fine arts, was founded by Walter Gropius

**1939:** Nationalist forces under General Franco declared an official end to the Spanish Civil War when the last of the Republican forces surrendered

**2001:** The Netherlands became the first country to legalise same-sex marriage