



Today in History

April 13, 1964

▲ **Sidney Poitier became the first black person to win a Best Actor Oscar, for *Lilies of the Field*. Since 1997, he has served as the Bahamian ambassador to Japan**

1919: India's Amritsar massacre took place when British troops shot nearly 380 of Gandhi's followers

1970: An oxygen tank exploded on board Apollo 13, crippling the spacecraft as it neared the moon

1990: The Soviet Union admitted the 1940 massacre of over 20,000 Polish officers in Katyn Forest in Russia

2010: A Chinese bulk carrier caused widespread damage to the Great Barrier Reef when it ran aground