



Today in History

November 28, 1989

▲ **Romanian gymnast Nadia Comaneci, who scored the first-ever perfect 10 at the Montreal Olympics in 1976, defected to the United States**

1821: Panama declared itself independent of Spain and joined the Republic of Colombia

1889: The first permit to drive an automobile in New York's Central Park was issued, on condition that the driver pledged "to exert care to avoid frightening horses"

1964: The U.S. space probe Mariner 4 was launched on its mission to Mars

1994: A referendum in Norway rejected membership of the EU