



Today in History

September 29, 2014

▲ **Ashraf Ghani was sworn in as president of Afghanistan, in the country's first democratic transfer of power since the Taliban were toppled in 2001**

1950: The first automatic telephone answering machine was tested in the U.S. by the Bell Telephone Company

1990: America's National Cathedral in Washington was completed 83 years after President Theodore Roosevelt laid the cornerstone

2008: The Dow Jones index suffered the biggest one-day drop in its history

2010: Tens of thousands of workers across Europe protested against government austerity measures