



Today in History

October 27, 1275

▲ The city of Amsterdam was traditionally founded, after people living near the Amstel river built a bridge and dam across the river following two major floods

1728: British explorer James Cook was born. He mapped New Zealand, Australia and the Hawaiian Islands

1901: After robbing a Paris shop, thieves escaped in the first known use of a “getaway car”

1995: France set off a third nuclear test in the South Pacific at Mururoa Atoll

1995: A court in Milan sentenced two former Italian prime ministers, Bettino Craxi and Arnaldo Forlani, to jail terms on corruption charges