

A close-up portrait of Olof Palme, the Swedish Prime Minister, speaking into a microphone. He has dark hair, blue eyes, and is wearing a dark suit jacket over a light-colored shirt. The background is blurred, showing red and white elements.

## Today in History

*February 28, 1986*

▲ **Swedish Prime Minister Olof Palme was shot dead as he walked home with his wife from a cinema in Stockholm. The crime remains unsolved**

**1525:** Former Aztec ruler Cuauhtemoc was executed by Spanish Conquistador Hernan Cortes

**1953:** James Watson and Francis Crick discovered that the structure of DNA was a double-helix

**1993:** The siege at Waco, Texas, began after four federal agents were killed

**1999:** German scientists claimed global warming was causing Spring to begin in Europe on average six days earlier than 30 years previously