



## Today in History

*March 21, 1991*

▲ **Leo Fender, pioneer of the electric guitar, died. Notable players of the Fender Stratocaster include Eric Clapton (above), Jimi Hendrix and Stevie Ray Vaughan**

**1871:** Otto von Bismarck opened the first Reichstag, or Parliament, in the newly created German Reich

**1963:** Alcatraz Prison in San Francisco Bay, which once housed gangster Al Capone, closed

**2001:** Anthropologists in Kenya unearthed a 3.5 million year-old skull, known as “flat-faced man”

**2010:** Iceland’s Eyjafjallajökull volcano erupted, causing massive disruption to European airspace