



Today in History

July 6, 1971

▲ Eminent jazz trumpeter Louis Armstrong died. His bands, the Hot Five and Hot Seven, made a revolutionary impact on jazz in the mid 1920s

1964: Nyasaland became the independent state of Malawi

2003: Ould M'Bareck, a former slave turned politician, became prime minister of Mauritania, which only abolished slavery in 1980

2006: The Nathula Pass, an historic trade route between India and China, was reopened after 44 years

2011: European bankers and government officials met in Paris to discuss plans to relieve Greek debt