



Today in History

December 14, 1911

▲ **Norwegian explorer Roald Amundsen and three companions became the first men to reach the South Pole, 35 days ahead of Britain's Captain Robert Scott**

1988: Hundreds of thousands of people took part in Spain's first 24-hour general strike for 50 years

1994: Australian botanists reported the discovery of living specimens of prehistoric Wollemi pine trees

2001: The Mars Odyssey spacecraft detected hydrogen, possibly indicating the presence of water, on Mars

2004: The Millau viaduct, the world's tallest bridge, soaring 343m high, was opened in southern France