



Today in History

February 12, 1912

▲ **Six-year-old emperor Pu-Yi of China was forced to abdicate, ending the Qing dynasty, the last imperial dynasty of China that had ruled from 1644**

2002: The Venezuelan bolivar plunged after its value was allowed to float

2005: Artists Christo and Jeanne-Claude created The Gates in New York's Central Park – 7,503 vinyl gates hung with saffron silk

2009: A three-year study to map the Neanderthal genome shed new light on the ancient hominid

2012: Protests in Greece turned violent after parliament approved harsh new austerity measures