



Today in History

September 21, 1942

▲ The Boeing B-29 bomber made its maiden flight. The plane, known as the Superfortress, carried out the atomic bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki in 1945

1792: France voted to abolish the monarchy

1937: J.R.R. Tolkien's classic tale, *The Hobbit*, was first published

1992: The Vatican and Mexico established full diplomatic relations, ending a rift of 130 years, after Mexico bestowed legal status on all religions

2007: Over 1.5 million people were affected by floods across 17 African countries; at least 270 drowned and over 600,000 were homeless