



Today in History

October 21, 1879

▲ **Thomas Edison successfully tested the world's first electric lightbulb. The incandescent lamp, with a carbonised filament, stayed alight for just over 13 hours**

1937: In the Spanish Civil War, Franco's troops captured Gijon, securing control of northwest Spain

1952: Jomo Kenyatta was arrested on charges of having directed the Mau Mau movement in Kenya

2014: Oscar Pistorius was jailed for the culpable homicide of his girlfriend, a conviction later upgraded to murder

2014: A frog found living in wetlands in New York City was confirmed as a new species of leopard frog