



Today in History

December 13, 1642

▲ Dutch navigator Abel Tasman discovered New Zealand, but some of his men were killed after Maoris interpreted trumpet fanfares as a prelude to battle

1937: Japanese forces captured the Chinese city of Nanking, instigating a reign of terror that cost 300,000 lives

1949: The Knesset voted to move the capital of Israel to Jerusalem

1967: King Constantine of Greece fled into exile as a counter-coup failed to topple the country's military junta

2002: The Archbishop of Boston, Cardinal Bernard Law, resigned after facing criticism for protecting priests accused of abusing minors