



Today in History

December 30, 1922

▲ **The Union of Soviet Socialist Republics was established through the confederation of Russia, Byelorussia, Ukraine and the Transcaucasian Federation**

1937: A three-month strike began in the U.S. car industry, resulting in recognition of the Automobile Workers union

1995: Cheering Palestinians greeted Yasser Arafat in Ramallah in the West Bank after Israeli troops withdrew

1997: Political turmoil in Algeria continued, with over 400 people massacred by extremist groups during the final week of December

2006: Former Iraqi president Saddam Hussein was hanged in Baghdad