



Today in History

January 17, 1942

▲ U.S. prizefighter Muhammad Ali, the first world heavyweight boxing champion to win the title three times, was born as Cassius Clay in Louisville, Kentucky

1929: Popeye first appeared as a minor character in an American newspaper cartoon strip

1996: In Norway, four men were jailed for stealing Edvard Munch's famous painting, *The Scream*

2003: Argentina was able to postpone a \$1bn debt repayment after agreeing to implement IMF fiscal policies

2011: In the wake of protests in Tunisia, a man set himself on fire outside parliament in Cairo, Egypt