



## Today in History

*September 9, 1948*

▲ **Kim Il-Sung proclaimed the communist-aligned Democratic People's Republic of Korea, with Pyongyang as its capital and himself as supreme leader**

**1963:** The first ever live birth in captivity of a giant panda took place at Beijing Zoo, when a male cub was born

**1968:** Tennis star Arthur Ashe became the first African-American to win a Grand Slam, at the U.S. Open

**1993:** Israel and the Palestine Liberation Organisation agreed to recognise each other's existence

**2003:** Argentina defaulted on a \$2.9 billion loan, the biggest default ever suffered by the IMF