



## Today in History

*October 12, 1928*

▲ The first use of an “iron lung” took place to treat a young patient suffering from polio. The medical ventilator enabled polio sufferers to breathe more normally

**1823:** Scottish chemist Charles Macintosh sold his first waterproof raincoat

**1991:** Croatia’s medieval walled city of Dubrovnik came under fire as the civil war escalated in Yugoslavia

**2008:** European leaders announced recapitalization plans for Europe’s banks, guaranteeing deposits for five years

**2009:** A group of fossils found in China was confirmed as the biggest of its kind in the world