



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**

1873: The American Metrological Society was formed to improve the system of weights and measures

1993: The Vatican and Israel agreed to recognize each other

2008: A vast dinosaur fossil site, a 300m-long pit containing 7,600 bones, was found near Zhucheng, China

2015: A freak weather system saw temperatures around the North Pole briefly surpass 32°F (0°C), far higher than usual