



## Today in History

*January 26, 1939*

▲ **General Franco's Nationalist forces captured Barcelona during the Spanish Civil War. The fall of the Republican capital hastened the end of the three-year conflict**

**1994:** Media mogul Silvio Berlusconi, one of Italy's richest men, announced that he was entering politics

**1994:** The West Bridge, linking Denmark's two largest islands of Zealand and Funen, was completed

**2009:** Iceland's coalition government collapsed in the wake of the country's deep financial crisis

**2017:** Scientists at Harvard reported the creation of metallic hydrogen using a diamond anvil cell