



Today in History

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▲ **New South Wales, Australia's most populous state and a major food producer, was declared entirely in drought after one of the driest winters on record**

1899: Albert T. Marshall received a patent for the first mechanical household refrigeration machine

1974: Richard Nixon became the first U.S. president to resign, over his role in the Watergate affair

1994: The first border crossing was opened between Jordan and Israel, ending 46 years of hostilities

2004: Actress Fay Wray, famously kidnapped by the giant ape King Kong in the 1933 film, died aged 96