



Today in History

February 23, 1945

▲ **U.S. Marines captured Mount Suribachi on the Japanese island of Iwo Jima. Their raising of the U.S. flag became the subject of a Pulitzer Prize-winning photograph**

1744: Meyer Amschel Rothschild, German founder of the banking dynasty, was born in the Jewish ghetto of Frankfurt am Main

1836: Several thousand Mexican troops besieged the Alamo, held by just 145 Texans including Davy Crockett

1941: Plutonium-238 was identified but its discovery was not published until after World War II

1999: Turkey charged rebel Kurdish leader Abdullah Ocalan with treason