



Today in History

February 27, 2015

▲ **Boris Nemtsov, a charismatic Russian opposition politician and outspoken critic of President Vladimir Putin, was shot dead in Moscow, triggering mass protests**

1869: The U.S. Constitution gave the right to vote to freed slaves following the American Civil War

1940: Carbon-14, a radioactive isotope of carbon which enabled radiocarbon dating, was discovered

1980: U.S. pop star Michael Jackson won his first Grammy award

2010: An 8.8 magnitude earthquake off the coast of Chile killed over 500 people and triggered a tsunami that destroyed several coastal towns