



Today in History

December 22, 1895

▲ German scientist Wilhelm Roentgen made the first X-ray image, of his wife's hand, allowing the inner workings of the body to be observed without surgery

640: The Saracen caliph Omar is reputed to have ordered the destruction of the famous Library of Alexandria following the Muslim conquest of Egypt

1885: The first rollercoaster was patented in the United States

1990: Ex-shipyard worker Lech Walesa, was sworn in as president of Poland

2015: SpaceX made history by sending the first orbital rocket into space and successfully landing the first stage back on the ground