



Today in History

April 9, 1966

▲ **Carlo Ponti and Sophia Loren married for the second time. Their first marriage was annulled as Italian law did not then recognise Ponti's divorce from his first wife**

1241: Mongol horsemen under Batu Khan, grandson of Genghis Khan, defeated the Teutonic Knights in Silesia

1682: French explorer Robert Cavelier de La Salle discovered the mouth of the Mississippi River

1963: The movie *Lawrence of Arabia*, starring Peter O'Toole, won seven Oscars including Best Picture

1991: Georgia became the second republic to declare independence from the Soviet Union