



Today in History

May 24, 1822

▲ **Antonio Jose de Sucre defeated the Spanish royalists at the Battle of Pichincha, securing the independence of Quito, later to become Ecuador**

1844: Samuel Morse transmitted the world's first telegraph message to an associate based 40 miles away

1954: IBM announced the creation of electronic valves, a major step in the evolution of modern computers

1962: Malcolm Scott Carpenter became the second American, after John Glenn, to orbit the Earth

2002: The U.S. and Russia agreed to reduce their nuclear arsenals by two-thirds over 10 years