



# Today in History

*May 17, 1875*

▲ The prestigious Kentucky Derby, dubbed “The Run for the Roses” because of the blanket of roses draped over the winning horse, was run for the first time

**1673:** Joliet and Marquette set out to explore the Mississippi River, proving it ran all the way to the Gulf of Mexico

**1954:** The U.S. Supreme Court outlawed racial segregation in the state school system

**2007:** Trains from North and South Korea crossed the border for the first time since the Korean War

**2013:** Jorge Rafael Videla, de facto President of Argentina in the 1976-81 military dictatorship, died in jail