



# Today in History

*June 12, 1458*

▲ **Magdalen College was founded in Oxford by William of Waynflete, Bishop of Winchester. Magdalen was among the first Oxford colleges to teach the sciences**

**1998:** Financial markets worldwide slumped as the Japanese economy was officially declared in recession

**2003:** Hollywood legend Gregory Peck, who won an Oscar for *To Kill a Mockingbird*, died aged 87

**2003:** The 5,000-year-old Warka Vase, looted from Iraq's National Museum, was returned anonymously

**2003:** A mass grave from the 1930s was uncovered in Mongolia, where up to 30,000 died in Stalinist purges