



Today in History

October 16, 1923

▲ **Walt Disney signed a contract to produce a series of animated cartoons. Now one of the world's most successful companies, Disney marks its centenary today**

1793: Queen Marie Antoinette of France was guillotined for treason during the French Revolution

1923: John Harwood patented the self-winding wrist watch

1973: U.S. Secretary of State Henry Kissinger and North Vietnamese peace negotiator Le Duc Tho were awarded the Nobel Peace Prize

2006: U.S. and Russian scientists discovered a new chemical element with the atomic number 118