



*January 18, 1654*

▲ **Ukrainian Cossack leader Bohdan Khmelnytsky accepted the Muscovite Tsar as overlord, thus uniting the newly created state of Ukraine with Russia**

**1944:** The World War II siege of Leningrad was broken after 900 days in which one million civilians died

**1974:** Egypt and Israel signed an agreement to disengage their forces along the Suez Canal

**1977:** A previously unknown bacterium was identified as the cause of an atypical pneumonia called Legionnaires' Disease

**2023:** Ukraine's Interior minister was among 10 people killed when their helicopter crashed