



Today in History

March 7, 1917

▲ The world's first jazz record, **The Dixie Jazz Band One Step**, recorded by Nick LaRocca's **Original Dixieland Jazz Band**, was released by **RCA Victor**

1274: Dominican theologian **St Thomas Aquinas** died in Italy

1809: French balloon pioneer **Jean-Pierre Blanchard** died shortly after a fall from his balloon in **Holland**

1971: Women in **Switzerland** were finally given the right to vote and hold federal office

2004: Conservative leader **Costas Karamanlis**, 47 was elected as **Greece's** youngest prime minister