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Today in History

March 17, 1969

▲ Golda Meir became prime minister of Israel. Her efforts to forge peace with the Arab states were halted by the outbreak in 1973 of the Yom Kippur War

461: According to tradition, St Patrick, patron saint of Ireland, died in Saul, where he had built the first church

1974: A crippled oil crisis was named as the OPEC five-month oil

1999: Six men Olympic Committee expelled for

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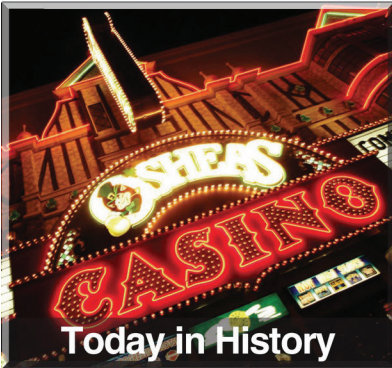


Today in History

March 18, 1949

▲ The text of the North Atlantic Treaty was first published, bringing NATO into being. The world's largest military alliance now has 31 members

1584: Ivan IV, the first Russian ruler to assume the title of Tsar, died. His cruelty and oppression earned him the nickname Ivan the Terrible



Today in History

March 19, 1931

▲ The U.S. state of Nevada voted to legalise gambling, outlawed since 1909, to bring much needed money into the state during the Great Depression

1944: Nazi Germany invaded and occupied Hungary to prevent it negotiating an armistice with the Allies



Today in History

March 20, 1999

▲ Bertrand Piccard and Brian Jones completed the first non-stop circumnavigation of the world by balloon, in their craft Breitling Orbiter 3

1602: The Dutch East India Company, the world's first joint stock company, was granted a charter

1793: Revolutionary France adopted means of

of radar, WWII,

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Today in History

March 21, 2023

▲ Chinese president Xi Jinping made a state visit to Russia in a show of support for President Vladimir Putin. It was Xi's first visit since the invasion of Ukraine

1927: Nationalist Chinese forces under Chiang Kai-shek captured Shanghai from the Chinese Communist Party

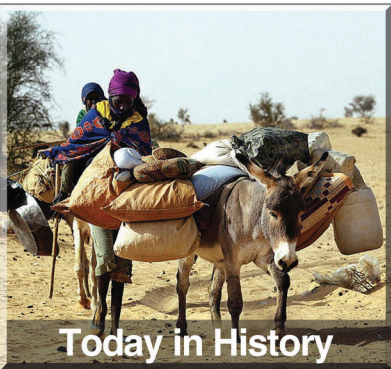
1994: Steven Spielberg collected his first Oscars, Best Director and Best Film, for Schindler's List

2006: Twitter, the online service enabling users to send 140-character messages called "tweets", was founded

2009: Up to 100,000 Italians marched through Naples calling for more police action against mafia clans

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Today in History

March 22, 2004

▲ The UN warned of a major humanitarian crisis unfolding in Sudan, where ethnic cleansing was taking place in Darfur with the complicity of the government

1857: The first department store elevator, invented by Elisha Graves Otis, was installed in New York City

1993: Intel shipped the first Pentium chips, featuring a 60 MHz clock speed

2004: Sheikh Yassin, head of the Palestinian militant group Hamas, was killed in an Israeli air strike

2006: The Basque separatist group ETA declared an end to its 30-year armed campaign for independence from Spain

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Today in History

March 23, 2014

▲ What became the worst ever outbreak of the Ebola virus was confirmed in West Africa. Over 11,000 people died, mainly in Guinea, Liberia and Sierra Leone

2004: NASA's Mars rover Opportunity revealed that there were once shallow salty seas on the planet

2020: Shares in video conference company Zoom reached record highs due to the coronavirus pandemic

2021: The container ship Ever Given ran aground in the Suez Canal, blocking it for six days

2023: Reforms in France to raise the retirement age from 62 to 64 were met with violent protests

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