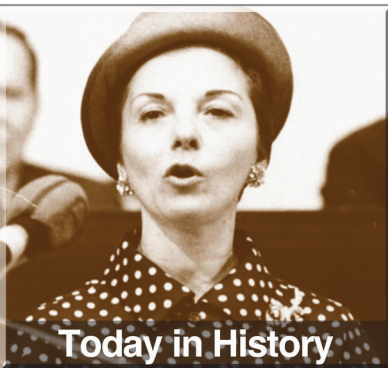


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Today in History

March 24, 1976

▲ Argentine president Isabel Peron was deposed in a bloodless military coup. She lived under house arrest for five years before being exiled to Spain in 1981

1999: A fire in the Mont Blanc tunnel in the Alps claimed 39 lives and took two days to extinguish

1999: NATO launched airstrikes in Yugoslavia

2004: The Vatican ruled that a ban on gambling on international sports

2010: Scientists identified a new species of ancient human

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Today in History

March 25, 1655

▲ Christiaan Huygens, Dutch astronomer and mathematician, discovered Saturn's largest moon, Titan. Huygens also determined the nature of Saturn's rings

1954: The first colour television went on sale for around \$1,000, roughly the same cost as a car at that time

1994: New Mexico disbanded its state police



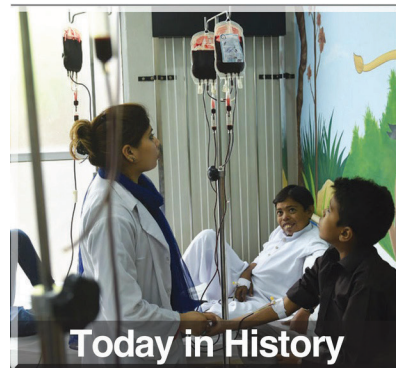
Today in History

March 26, 1964

▲ Barbra Streisand shot to stardom in the musical Funny Girl, based on the life and career of comedian and Broadway star Fanny Brice

1934: The Queensland Flying Doctor service, set up in 1928, announced it would extend into Western Australia

1999: The European Union adopted the euro



Today in History

March 27, 1914

▲ The first successful non-direct blood transfusion, using stored blood rather than transfusing directly from donor to receiver, was performed

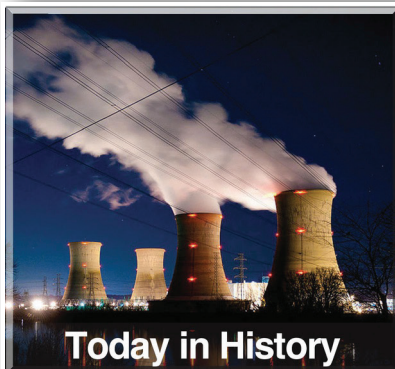
1814: French physician Joseph-Ignace Guillotin, who proposed a mechanical device for beheading people, died

1984: An earthquake in Alaska was recorded in

Carlucci
his general

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Germany

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Today in History

March 28, 1979

▲ A partial meltdown in a nuclear reactor at the Three Mile Island power plant in Pennsylvania caused the worst commercial nuclear accident in U.S. history

1854: France and Great Britain declared war on Russia, entering the Crimean War on the side of the Ottoman Turks

1939: The Spanish Civil War ended when fascist forces took Madrid

2004: Multi-talented actor Sir Peter Ustinov died at the age of 82

2004: For the first time on record, a hurricane made landfall in South America, killing two people in southern Brazil

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Today in History

March 29, 2004

▲ Ireland, renowned for its pub culture, became the world's first country to impose a nationwide ban on smoking in public places, including all bars and restaurants

1973: The last remaining U.S. combat troops withdrew from Vietnam

1974: NASA's Mariner 10 became the first spacecraft to reach the planet Mercury

1999: Wall Street celebrated as the Dow Jones index passed 10,000 for the first time

2004: NATO formally welcomed Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Bulgaria, Romania, Slovakia and Slovenia as members

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Today in History

March 30, 1989

▲ The imposing new entrance of the Louvre Museum, a dramatic glass pyramid designed by Chinese-American architect I.M. Pei, was opened

1867: The United States purchased Alaska from Russia for \$7.2 million

1981: U.S. President Ronald Reagan was shot in the chest as he left a Washington hotel

1994: The Bosnian parliament voted unanimously to set up a Croat-Muslim federation

1999: Cigarette manufacturer Philip Morris was ordered to pay \$81 million to the family of a man who died from lung cancer

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