



Today in History

October 27, 1904

▲ The first underground section of the New York subway was opened. Mayor George McClellan enjoyed driving it so much he refused to hand control to a motorman

1901: After robbing a Paris shop, thieves escaped in the first known use of a “getaway car”

1914: Welsh poet and playwright Dylan Thomas, best remembered for his radio drama *Under Milk Wood*, was born

1986: The “Big Bang” revolutionised the London Stock Exchange with computerised dealing and deregulation

2004: Fossils from a miniature hominid that lived in Indonesia as recently as 12,000 years ago were described