



Today in History

December 29, 1911

▲ **Sun Yat Sen was elected as the first president of a republican China following the Xinhai Revolution that overthrew China's last imperial dynasty**

1939: U.S. inventor William Shockley had the idea that an amplifier could be made using a semiconductor rather than a vacuum

1952: The first transistor hearing aid was marketed in the United States

1989: Playwright Vaclav Havel was elected Czechoslovakia's first non-Communist president for 41 years

2022: Football legend Pele died at age 82, sparking an outpouring of grief in Brazil