

Thursday, April 9

ON THIS DAY



▲ **1959:** Influential architect Frank Lloyd Wright died; his buildings include the Guggenheim Museum of Art in New York (*above*)

1683: Robert Cavelier claimed a large area of the American interior for France, naming it Louisiana

1970: Paul McCartney sought a High Court writ to wind up *The Beatles'* business partnership

1989: Namibia moved a step closer to independence after announcing a cessation of hostilities with South Africa

2008: The Channel Island of Sark abolished the last remaining feudal system in Europe