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ON THIS DAY



▲ **1837:** Queen Victoria, aged 18, acceded to the British throne. Her reign lasted 64 years, the longest of any monarch in British history

1597: Dutch explorer Willem Barents died in the Arctic when his ship became trapped in ice

1909: Hollywood swashbuckler Errol Flynn was born in Tasmania

1973: Juan Peron returned to Argentina as president after 20 years in exile

2007: The government of Dubai announced it had purchased the Cunard liner *Queen Elizabeth 2* for \$100 million, with the intention of turning the ship into a floating hotel