

Friday, July 16

ON THIS DAY



▲ **2009: The 110-story Sears Tower in Chicago, one of the world's most famous skyscrapers, was renamed the Willis Tower**

1439: Kissing was banned in England in an attempt to stop the spread of pestilence and disease

1819: Balloonist Madame Blanchard fell to her death when her balloon was struck by fireworks

1935: The world's first parking meter was installed in Oklahoma City

2009: U.S. teenager Zac Sunderland, 17, became the youngest person to sail solo round the world, though he held the record for only six weeks