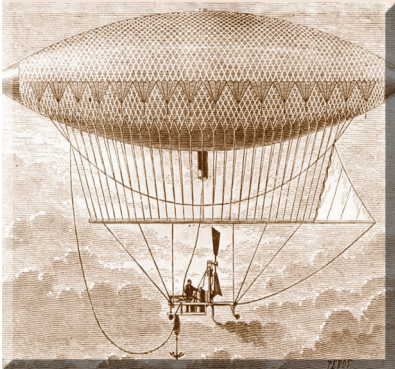# ON THIS DAY

▲ **1852: French engineer Henri Giffard made the first flight in a steam-powered airship, travelling 27km from Paris to Trappes**

1896: Author F. Scott Fitzgerald was born in St. Paul, Minnesota

1972: Norwegians voted in a referendum against joining the European Economic Community

1990: East Germany, once Moscow's chief frontline ally, left the Warsaw Pact

2009: Britain's largest ever haul of Anglo-Saxon treasure, 1,500 gold and silver items thought to date to the 7th Century, was discovered buried in a field in Staffordshire

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