

Sunday, December 19

ON THIS DAY



▲ **2009: FC Barcelona completed a remarkable “Sextuple” by winning all six competitions they played for in one year – a new world record**

1863: Linoleum floor covering was patented by Londoner Frederick Walton

1927: In China, 600 Communists were executed by the Nationalists

1996: In Italy, Formula 1 team owner Frank Williams was charged with the manslaughter of driver Ayrton Senna

2009: Five Eurostar trains got stuck in the Channel Tunnel, trapping 2,000 people for up to 16 hours, after suffering electrical failures caused by freezing overnight temperatures