



Today in History

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▲ **China's first aircraft carrier, the refitted Soviet aircraft carrier Varyag, began its first sea trials. It was constructed in the USSR and never completed**

1519: Ferdinand Magellan set sail from Seville in his attempt to circumnavigate the world

1896: The screw bottle top was patented at the Hope Glass Works in Yorkshire, England

1909: Leo Fender, pioneer of the electric guitar, was born in California, U.S.

2002: Thousands of white farmers in Zimbabwe ignored a deadline to leave despite threats by the Mugabe regime to press ahead with evictions