



Today in History

September 25, 1513

▲ Spanish explorer Vasco Nunez de Balboa crossed the Panama isthmus and became the first European to set eyes on the Pacific Ocean

1957: U.S. National Guardsmen escorted nine black students into an Arkansas school, after state militia prevented them from entering due to the state's racial segregation policy

1959: Sri Lankan prime minister Solomon Bandaranaike was assassinated in Colombo

1983: Thirty-eight prisoners escaped from Belfast's high-security Maze jail

2012: China's first aircraft carrier officially entered service