



Today in History

March 20, 1999

▲ **Bertrand Piccard and Brian Jones completed the first non-stop circumnavigation of the world by balloon, in their craft Breitling Orbiter 3**

1934: The first practical tests of radar were carried out in Germany. Radar technology played a major role in the Allied victory in World War II

1987: The HIV/AIDS treatment drug, AZT, was approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration

1995: Tokyo's underground network was paralysed when terrorists released deadly nerve gas, killing 12 people

2001: The world's biggest offshore oil rig sank off the coast of Brazil