



## Today in History

*June 26, 1906*

▲ The first grand prix motor race was held at Le Mans over 65 miles of public roads. Hungarian Ferenc Szisz won, driving a Renault at an average speed of 101km/h

**1959:** The St Lawrence Seaway, connecting the Great Lakes with the Atlantic Ocean, was opened

**1974:** The scannable barcode was first used in a U.S. supermarket

**1995:** Hamad bin Khalifa Al Thani became Emir of Qatar after deposing his father in a bloodless coup

**2000:** Two rival teams of scientists announced jointly that they had deciphered the structure of the human genome