



Today in History

August 7, 1926

▲ The first British Grand Prix was held at Brooklands. The winner took just over four hours to win the 110-lap race at an average speed of almost 72mph

1819: Simón Bolívar triumphs over Spain at the Battle of Boyacá

1947: Thor Heyerdahl's raft Kon Tiki reached Polynesia after 101 days

1962: Pharmacologist Frances Kelsey, who banned the sale of thalidomide in the U.S., received the President's Award for Distinguished Federal Civilian Service from John F Kennedy

2003: Amrozi bin Nurhasyim was sentenced to death for the Bali nightclub bombings in Indonesia