



## Today in History

*September 23, 1846*

▲ German astronomer Johann Galle first observed the planet Neptune, alerted by French mathematician Urbain Le Verrier who had predicted its position

**1953:** WD-40, an oil that displaced water to prevent rust, was invented

**1998:** A pioneering transplant gave a patient a new right forearm and hand

**2009:** Sydney was smothered in an eerie red haze as Australia's east coast suffered its worst dust storm in decades

**2015:** Volkswagen's chief executive Martin Winterkorn resigned after the company admitted rigging diesel emissions test results to make cars appear less polluting than in reality