



Today in History

December 19, 2001

▲ The New York Fire Department said that fires burning in the ruins of the World Trade Centre were finally extinguished, three months after the 9/11 terror attacks

1741: Danish born explorer Vitus Bering, who discovered Alaska, died from scurvy

1871: Mark Twain patented suspenders (braces) suitable for holding up trousers

1946: The First Indochina War began. The war ended in a communist victory over the French and partition of the country into North and South Vietnam

2011: Swedish car brand Saab filed for bankruptcy