



Today in History

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▲ **Jamaican sprinter Usain Bolt first broke the 100m world record, running 9.72s in New York. Bolt, who is expected to retire later this year, has since lowered it to 9.58s**

1837: Joseph Grimaldi, English actor whose white-faced act marked the birth of the modern circus clown, died

1927: The last ever Model T Ford, number 15,007,003, rolled off the production line

1957: U.S. playwright Arthur Miller was convicted of contempt of Congress for refusing to reveal the names of alleged Communist writers

1957: The death toll from a heatwave in India topped 2,100