



Today in History

January 9, 1923

▲ Spanish inventor Juan de la Cierva made the first successful flight of his autogyro, developed to fly safely at low speeds. It was the forerunner of the helicopter

1902: New York State introduced a bill to outlaw flirting in public

1960: Construction work began in Egypt on the Aswan High Dam to control the annual Nile floods

1995: Cosmonaut Valeri Poliakov broke the record for the longest stay in space after 366 days on the Mir space station. His flight lasted 438 days in total

2008: India's Tata Motors launched the world's cheapest production car, the Tata Nano, in Delhi