



Today in History

July 15, 1953

▲ The lavish musical comedy film **Gentlemen Prefer Blondes** opened, featuring Jane Russell and Marilyn Monroe, two of Hollywood's biggest stars

1869: Margarine was patented and named after the Greek word for pearl, margaritari, owing to its pearl-like lustre

1918: WWI's **Second Battle of the Marne**, a last-ditch German offensive to overwhelm the allies, began

2010: Argentina became the first Latin American country to legalise same-sex marriage

2016: An attempted coup in Turkey was foiled by forces loyal to President Recep Tayyip Erdogan