



Today in History

October 15, 1928

▲ **Germany's Graf Zeppelin airship made the first commercial flight across the Atlantic, arriving in Lakehurst, New Jersey, four days after leaving Friedrichshafen**

1492: Christopher Columbus made the first recorded reference to tobacco – leaves being smoked

1999: The French humanitarian organisation Médecins Sans Frontières was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize

2003: Yang Liwei, the first Chinese astronaut, orbited the Earth 14 times in his Shenzhou 5 spacecraft

2010: The Gotthard Base Tunnel in the Swiss Alps became the world's longest railway tunnel