



Today in History

November 12, 1859

▲ Jules Leotard performed the world's first flying trapeze act at the Cirque Napoleon in Paris. The body-hugging costume he wore was later named after him

1933: Hugh Gray took the first photograph purporting to show the Loch Ness monster

1948: Japan's former prime minister, General Hideki Tojo, was sentenced to death for war crimes

1968: The United Nations General Assembly voted against the admission of Communist China

2008: The EU scrapped rules banning bent bananas and curved cucumbers