

A close-up photograph of a French football player, likely a member of the 2018 World Cup-winning team, kissing the FIFA World Cup trophy. He is wearing a blue France national team jersey. The background is filled with confetti, suggesting a celebratory atmosphere at a stadium.

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▲ In one of the most exciting FIFA World Cup finals of the modern era, France defeated Croatia 4-2 at Moscow's Luzhniki Stadium to win the trophy for a second time

1834: The infamous Spanish Inquisition was officially dissolved

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

1954: The Boeing 707, the first successful commercial passenger jetliner, made its maiden flight

1994: Luxembourg premier Jacques Santer was elected to head the European Commission