



Today in History

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▲ Kenya's Eliud Kipchoge set a new marathon world record in Berlin of 2:01:39, shattering the previous mark by almost 1 minute and 20 seconds

1884: U.S ophthalmologist Carl Koller first used cocaine as a local anaesthetic in eye surgery

1908: General Motors (GM) was incorporated. Within 12 days it had generated \$12 million in cash

1994: Exxon Corp. was ordered to pay \$5bn in punitive damages over the Exxon Valdez oil spill in Alaska in 1989

2009: Venezuela and China agreed a \$16bn oil exploration deal allowing China to drill in the Orinoco basin