



Today in History

July 19, 1900

▲ **The Paris Metro opened.** Europe's second-busiest subway system after Moscow, its Art Nouveau-influenced architecture was designed by Hector Guimard

1980: Over 45 nations boycotted the Moscow Olympics in protest against the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan

1990: Iraqi troops began massing on the border with Kuwait

2010: China surpassed the United States to become the world's biggest energy consumer

2019: Cesar Pelli, Argentine-U.S. architect whose notable buildings included the Petronas Towers in Kuala Lumpur, died aged 92