



Today in History

June 21, 1791

▲ **King Louis XVI of France and Queen Marie Antoinette attempted to escape from revolutionary Paris, but were discovered and arrested at Varennes**

1527: Niccolo Machiavelli died. His famous book, *The Prince*, summed up the political machinations of his time

1996: Angry French farmers besieged the Channel ports, blaming British "mad cow" disease for the drop in demand for French beef

2017: Islamic State militants blew up the Grand al-Nuri Mosque of Mosul

2017: Mohammad bin Salman, son of King Salman of Saudi Arabia, was appointed as Crown Prince