



Today in History

August 22, 1901

▲ The Cadillac Motor Company, America's first luxury carmaker, was founded in Detroit. It was named after the French explorer who founded the city in 1701

1962: French President Charles de Gaulle survived an assassination attempt whilst driving through Paris

1991: Boris Yeltsin celebrated the collapse of a coup against Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev

2002: The world's biggest tropical national park, in 3.9m hectares of rainforest, was created in Brazil

2020: Russian opposition leader Alexei Navalny fell ill on a flight in Siberia due to novichok poisoning