



Today in History

November 2, 1947

▲ **Howard Hughes piloted his giant wooden flying boat, the Spruce Goose, on its one and only flight, lasting about a minute, over Long Beach, California**

1785: The first non-submersible lifeboat, with water-tight cork-filled chambers, was patented

1898: Cheerleading originated when a student directed the crowd to chant in support of the Minnesota university football team

1920: KDKA in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, became the world's first regular broadcasting station

1988: A U.S. student released the first significant computer "worm"