



Today in History

June 26, 1948

▲ The Berlin Airlift began after the Soviets imposed a blockade on West Berlin. Over the next year the Western allies flew in over 8,000 tonnes of food and fuel a day

1896: The first cinema, seating 400 people, opened in New Orleans

1963: President John F. Kennedy visited West Berlin, where the city's residents famously heard him claim, "Ich bin ein Berliner"

1974: The scannable barcode was first used in a U.S. supermarket

1993: U.S. warships launched 23 Tomahawk cruise missiles against Iraq's intelligence headquarters in Baghdad