



Today in History

July 19, 1903

▲ **Maurice Garin won the first ever Tour de France cycle race. Sixty riders competed in six stages over 2,428km. Garin won again in 1904 but was disqualified for cheating**

1853: Women's rights campaigner Amelia Bloomer wore loose-fitting pantaloons, later dubbed "bloomers"

2007: Remote sensors found what could be a vast underground lake beneath the Darfur region of Sudan

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

2022: Ongoing heatwaves in western Europe caused wildfires, mass evacuations and heat-related deaths