



# Today in History

*February 19, 1878*

▲ **Thomas Edison patented the phonograph, in which a large horn transmitted vibrations to a needle that scribed a recording on to a cylinder rotated by hand**

**1942:** All Japanese-Americans were forced into internment camps in the wake of the attack on Pearl Harbour

**1977:** Bacteria oxidising hydrogen sulphide for energy rather than sunlight were found in the ocean

**2004:** Jeffrey Skilling, former president and CEO of the Enron corporation, was indicted for fraud

**2017:** The private company SpaceX landed a first stage rocket back on Earth for the first time