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ON THIS DAY



▲ **2004:** Google, the most popular internet search engine, was floated on the New York Stock exchange

1904: More than 40,000 people died from cholera in Iran

1936: Spanish writer Federico Garcia Lorca was shot dead by Fascists at the start of the civil war

1989: Poland became the first country in eastern Europe to end one-party rule

2005: Mounir al-Motassadek, a Moroccan with links to three of the 9/11 hijackers, was found guilty in Germany of belonging to a terrorist organisation and jailed for seven years following a year-long retrial