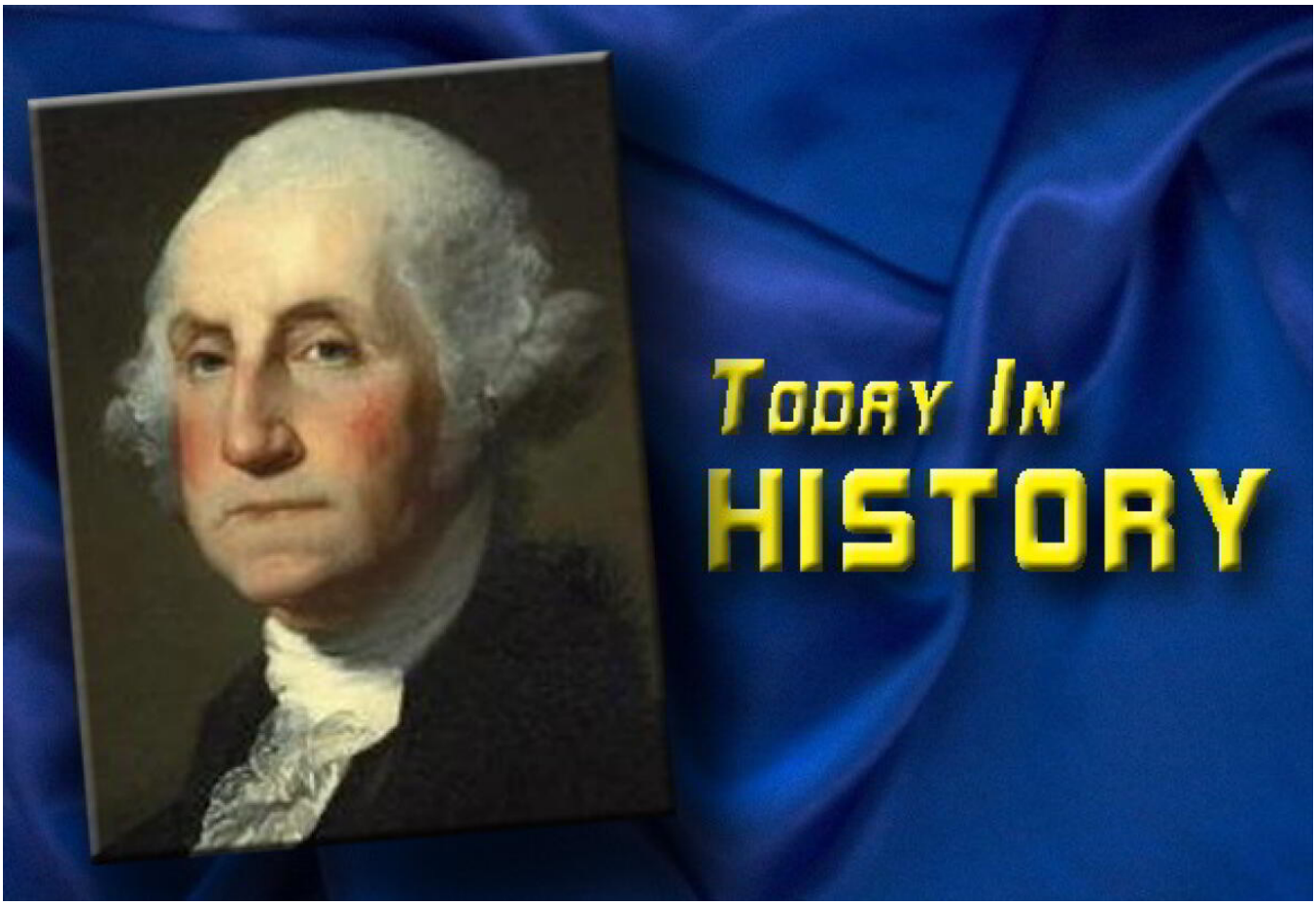

Today In History – September 9

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Today in History in 1791 Washington, D.C. is named after 1st President of the United States George Washington.

Our on this day in history archives contain over 200,000 events, birthdays and deaths from 6,000 years of history. Here is a roundup of a few of them:

September 9 is the 252nd day of the year (253rd in leap years) in the Gregorian calendar. There are 113 days remaining until the end of the year.

EVENTS

9 – Arminius' alliance of six Germanic tribes ambushes and heavily defeats Roman legions of Publius Quinctilius Varus in the Battle of Teutoburg Forest.

337 – Constantine II, Constantius II and Constans I succeed their father Constantine I as Roman Emperor.

533 – A Byzantine army of 15,000 under Belisarius lands at Caput Vada in modern Tunisia and marches onto Carthage.

1000 – Battle of Svolder – After it, King Olaf I of Norway commits suicide.

1087 – William the Conqueror dies. His son succeeds him as King William II of England.

1379 – Treaty of Neuberg, splitting the Austrian Habsburg lands between the Habsburg Dukes Albert III and Leopold

III.

1488 – Anne of Brittany becomes Duchess of Brittany.

1493 – Battle of Krbava Field - A decisive defeat of Croats in the Croatian struggle against the invasion by the Ottoman Empire.

1499 – Vasco da Gama returns to Lisbon from his voyage to India.

1513 – In the Battle of Flodden Field James IV of Scotland is defeated.

1543 – Mary Stuart, at nine months old, is officially crowned "Queen of Scots" in the central Scottish town of Stirling.

1739 – Stono Rebellion, the largest slave uprising in the British mainland colonies prior to the American Revolution, erupts near Charleston, South Carolina.

1775 – A hurricane strikes Newfoundland, killing 4,000 people.

1776 – The Continental Congress officially names their new country the United States.

1791 – Washington, DC is named after 1st President of the United States George Washington.

1806 – A hurricane kills 457 people in Dominica.

1839 – John Herschel takes the first glass plate photograph.

1850 – California is admitted as the thirty-first U.S. state.

1850 – The Compromise of 1850 strips Texas of a third of its claimed territory (now parts of Colorado, Kansas, New Mexico, Oklahoma, and Wyoming) in return for the federal government assuming $10 million of Texas's pre-annexation debt.

1855 – Crimean War: The Siege of Sevastopol ends with the withdrawal of Russian troops.

1863 – American Civil War: The Union Army enters Chattanooga, Tennessee.

1870 – Redmond, Washington is founded.

1886 – The Berne Convention is finalized.

1892 – Edward Barnard discovers Jupiter's moon Amalthea.

1893 – A birth occurs in the White House for the only time in its history to date. First Lady Frances Folsom Cleveland gives birth to a girl, Esther.

1913 – Russian military pilot Pyotr Nesterov performs the first 'Looping' maneuver with his aircraft over Kiev.

1914 – World War I: The Battle of the Marne ends in a French victory.

1914 – World War I: The creation of the Canadian Automobile Machine Gun Brigade, the first fully mechanized unit in the British Army.

1919 – Spanish passenger ferry Valbanera disappears in a hurricane between Cuba and the Florida Keys.

1922 – The Greco-Turkish War ends with Turkish victory over the Greeks. The largest part of the city of Smyrna (on the Minor Asia coast, now Izmir) is burned. The Non-Turkic population flees.

1923 – Mustafa Kemal Atatürk, the founder of modern Turkey, founds the CHP.

1924 – The Hanapepe massacre takes place in Kauai, Hawaii.

1926 – The National Broadcasting Company formed.

1939 – World War II: The Battle of Hel begins, the longest defended pocket of Polish Army Resistance during the German invasion of Poland.

1940 – George Stibitz pioneers the first remote operation of a computer.

1940 – World War II: Treznea massacre - The Hungarian army, supported by local Hungarians, kills 93 Romanian civilians in Treznea, a village in Northern Transylvania.

1942 – World War II: A Japanese floatplane drops an incendiary bomb on Oregon.

1943 – World War II: The Allies land at Salerno and Taranto, Italy.

1944 – World War II: Bulgaria is liberated by Russia.

1945 – Japan formally surrenders to China.

1947 – "First actual case of (a computer) bug being found" – a moth is lodged in a relay of a Mark II computer at Harvard.

1948 – The Democratic People's Republic of Korea is created, declared by Kim Il-Sung.

1954 – Marilyn Bell swam for 20 hours and 57 minutes under grueling conditions to become the first person to swim across Lake Ontario.

1954 – An earthquake in Algeria kills 1,250 people.

1956 – Elvis Presley appears on The Ed Sullivan Show for the first time.

1965 – The United States Department of Housing and Urban Development is established.

1965 – Sandy Koufax throws a perfect game against the Chicago Cubs.

1965 – Hurricane Betsy hits New Orleans.

1966 – The National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act signed into law by U.S. President Lyndon Johnson.

1969 – Canada's Official Languages Act comes into force, making French equal to English throughout the Federal Government.

1970 – A British airliner is hijacked by the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine and flown into Dawson's Field, Jordan.

1976 – Chinese Communist Leader Mao Zedong dies aged 82.

1983 – Aaron Pryor beats Alexis Arguello by knockout in round ten of a rematch of their 1982 controversial fight, dubbed The Battle of The Champions.

1990 – The Sri Lankan Army kills 184 Tamil civilians in the Batticaloa massacre.

1990 – Liberian leader Samuel K. Doe is overthrown and killed in a coup.

1991 – Tajikistan becomes independent from the Soviet Union.

1991 – Nirvana release their hit single "Smells Like Teen Spirit", which becomes an iconic tune for a whole generation.

1993 – The Palestinian Liberation Organization officially recognizes Israel as a legal state in its own right.

1996 – Croatia and Yugoslavia take up diplomatic relations after war in the region.

1999 – The Sega Dreamcast is released in the United States

2000 – In the wake of inflation, Ecuador replaces its currency, the Sucre with the US dollar.

2001 – Ahmed Shah Massoud, leader of the Northern Alliance, is assassinated in Afghanistan.

2004 – A bomb explodes outside the Australian embassy in Jakarta, killing several people.

2004 – Serbian Prime Minister Vojislav Kostunica reverses a decision by Minister of Education and Sport Ljiljana Colic to require the teaching of both creationism and evolution in schools, and announces that Colic will be replaced.

2009 – 09/09/09: The date, when written, has 3 nines in it. As well as that, September has nine letters, and so does Wednesday, the day of the week it falls on. It also fell on the 252nd day of the year, and the digits of 252 add up to nine.

2011 – The 2011 Rugby World Cup begins in New Zealand.

2012 – The 2012 Summer Paralympics in London end.

2013 – Norwegian Parliamentary Election: The Labour Party-led coalition under Jens Stoltenberg loses the election after eight years in government. Erna Solberg of the Centre-Right Venstre Party becomes the next Prime Minister on October 16.

2014 – Prime Minister of Canada Stephen Harper announces that a ship from John Franklin's ill-fated expedition to the Canadian Arctic has been found.

2015 – Elizabeth II overtakes Queen Victoria to becomes the longest-reigning British monarch.