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Highlights in history
on May 24:

1612: Sweden's King Gustavus II loses Elfsborg and Gulesberg to the Danes.

1689: Holy Roman Emperor Leopold I signs treaties of alliance with Holland and Bavaria.

1890: Italy reorganises her Red Sea territories as colony of Eritrea.

1900: Britain annexes Orange Free State.

1930: Amy Johnson arrives in Darwin in Moth DH 60G Jason, first woman to fly solo from England to Australia.

1932: Australian cyclist Hubert Opperman completes world record 863 miles (1388.5km) in 24 hours for charity.

1941: German battleship Bismarck sinks British battle-cruiser Hood in N. Atlantic in World War II: more than 1300 die.

1964: Riot erupts at football match in Lima, Peru, and 300 spectators are killed.

1966: Private Errol Wayne Noack is the first Australian conscript killed in Vietnam.

1972: US and Soviet Union agree to put spacemen in orbit together by 1975.

1994: Northern Territory Cannonball Run car race claims the lives of two Japanese competitors and two Australian race officials in crash outside Alice Springs.

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