

Saturday, June 3

ON THIS DAY



▲ **1875:** French composer Georges Bizet died the same year his popular opera *Carmen* was first staged

1899: England cricket captain W.G. Grace, aged 50, played his final Test match, against Australia at Trent Bridge

1979: The *Ixtoc 1* oil well blew out in the Gulf of Mexico, spilling around 140 million gallons of crude oil

1992: The largest ever environmental summit opened in Rio de Janeiro, with 178 nations taking part

2004: CIA director George Tenet announced his resignation, saying he was leaving to spend more time with his family