

Sunday, October 8

ON THIS DAY



▲ **2005:** A powerful earthquake of magnitude 7.6 devastated northern Pakistan and Kashmir, killing an estimated 73,000 people

1895: Queen Min of Korea, who tried to stem the tide of Japan's domination in her country, was assassinated

1925: Australian opera singer Dame Nellie Melba announced her retirement

1982: Poland's parliament dissolved Solidarity, ending eastern Europe's first experiment in trade union democracy

2000: Michael Schumacher steered the Ferrari team to its first Formula One world championship in 21 years