Wednesday, November 8

ON THIS DAY



▲ 1960: John F. Kennedy, aged 43, was elected as U.S. President

63BC: Cicero delivered a famous speech in Rome, castigating Catiline's conspiracy against the Senate

1847: Edinburgh doctor James Simpson delivered the first child to be born with the aid of anaesthesia

1996: A 19th century Swedish postage stamp sold at auction in Geneva for 2.5 million Swiss francs (\$2.25m), making it the world's most valuable stamp

2004: A U.S. federal juge ruled that military commissions convened to try war detainees at Guantanamo Bay were unconstitutional