Monday, November 13

ON THIS DAY



▲ 1985: Up to 25,000 people died when the Nevado del Ruiz volcano erupted in Colombia, burying the town of Armero

1851: A telegraphic service between London and Paris went into operation

1956: The U.S. Supreme Court ruled that segregation of the races on public buses was unconstitutional

1970: Hafez al-Assad seized power in Syria in a bloodless military coup

2005: A captured Iraqi woman confessed to taking part in the hotel attacks in Amman that killed 60. Her husband had blown himself up but her bomb belt had failed to detonate