

Wednesday, June 4

## ON THIS DAY



▲ **1989:** Chinese army tanks moved into Tiananmen Square in Beijing, killing over 2,000 pro-democracy demonstrators, mainly students

**1831:** Prince Leopold of Saxe-Coburg was proclaimed as the first monarch of an independent Belgium

**1844:** Scientists in Iceland sighted a Great Auk, a large, flightless bird thought to have been extinct

**1944:** Historic sites were found intact as Rome was liberated by allied troops

**2007:** The government of Oman ordered some 7,000 people to be evacuated from Masirah Island as Cyclone Gonu threatened

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