

Wednesday, July 9

## ON THIS DAY



▲ **1938: Over 35 million gas masks were issued to British civilians in anticipation of World War II**

**1874:** A Belgian aeronaut was killed at Chelsea while trying to descend in his flying machine from a balloon

**1922: Johnny Weissmuller became the first man to swim 100 metres in under a minute**

**1960:** Soviet leader Nikita Khrushchev warned the United States against intervention in Cuba

**2007: Snow fell in the Argentine capital of Buenos Aires for the first time in 89 years and only the second time in recorded history**

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