

Sunday, October 5

ON THIS DAY



▲ **1969:** The first episode of *Monty Python's Flying Circus*, the TV show which went on to achieve cult status worldwide, was transmitted in Britain

1910: The Republic of Portugal was officially proclaimed in Lisbon

1930: The British airship R101 crashed on its maiden flight, killing 48 including the British air minister

1970: Anwar Sadat was nominated to succeed Gamal Abdel Nasser as president of Egypt

2007: Disgraced U.S. athlete Marion Jones admitted in court that she had used banned performance-enhancing drugs during her career