## Tuesday, October 7

## ON THIS DAY



▲ 2006: Anna Politkovskaya, a prominent Russian journalist fiercely critical of the Kremlin's actions in Chechnya, was shot dead in Moscow

**1571:** The Battle of Lepanto, the last naval battle between oar-driven ships, took place off southwestern Greece

1913: American automobile pioneer Henry Ford introduced a moving assembly line into his plants to speed up mass production

**1987:** Fiji coup leader Sitiveni Rabuka declared himself head of state

2004: King Norodom Sihanouk abdicated the throne of Cambodia due to ill health