

Wednesday, October 8

# ON THIS DAY



## ▲ Confucius Day is celebrated in China

**1469:** Florentine painter Fra Filippo Lippi, one of the most important early renaissance painters, died

**1806:** British forces laying siege to the French port of Boulogne used rocket-propelled missiles for the first time

**1957:** Jerry Lee Lewis recorded *Great Balls of Fire* at Sun Studios in Memphis, Tennessee

**2007:** At least 150 pro-Taliban militants and 45 soldiers were killed in two days of fierce fighting in Pakistan's North Waziristan tribal belt