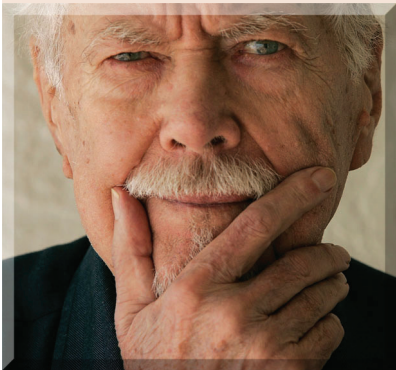


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ON THIS DAY



▲ **2006:** Acclaimed director Robert Altman, whose improvisational-style movies included *MASH* and *Gosford Park*, died in Los Angeles aged 81

1787: Shipowner Samuel Cunard was born in Nova Scotia, Canada

1806: Napoleon attempted to destroy British trading by closing all European ports to British shipping

1997: South Korea requested a \$20 billion loan from the IMF to prop up its ailing economy

2007: Pakistan opposition politician Imran Khan was released from jail in Punjab where he had been held for a week under anti-terrorism laws