Sunday, January 11

ON THIS DAY



▲ 2008: Former U.S. athlete Marion Jones was sentenced to six months in jail for lying about using performance-enhancing drugs

1904: The Herero people of South West Africa, now Namibia, rose up against their German colonisers

1942: Kuala Lumpur fell to Japanese forces during World War Two

1966: Italian sculptor and painter Alberto Giacometti, best known for his "thin man" sculptures, died

2008: Sir Edmund Hillary, who with Sherpa Tenzing Norgay was the first man to climb the world's highest peak, Mount Everest, died aged 88