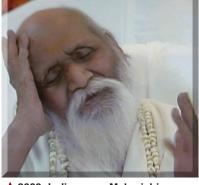
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ON THIS DAY



▲ 2008: Indian guru Maharishi Mahesh Yogi, who introduced the West to transcendental meditation, died at his home in the Netherlands

1887: Giuseppe Verdi's opera *Otello*, based on Shakespeare's play, premiered at La Scala, Milan

1941: Australian poet Banjo Paterson, widely credited as the author of *Waltzing Matilda*, died

1983: Former Nazi Klaus Barbie was extradited from Bolivia to Lyons, France, to face trial for war crimes

2008: At least 52 people were killed as rare winter tornadoes swept through four southern U.S. states