

**Wednesday, February 11**

# *ON THIS DAY*



**▲ 2008: The Singapore Flyer, the world's largest Ferris wheel at 42 stories high, began turning**

**1861: Explorers Burke and Wills reached the Gulf of Carpentaria in north-eastern Australia**

**1919: Friedrich Ebert was elected first president of the German republic after World War One**

**1922: Honduras was declared an independent republic**

**2008: East Timor's President Jose Ramos-Horta was seriously injured after he was shot in coordinated assassination attempts against the nation's top leaders**