Friday, February 13

ON THIS DAY



▲ 2008: Australia's Parliament issued a formal apology to the indigenous "Stolen Generation", forcibly removed as children from their families and Aboriginal culture

1883: German composer Richard Wagner died in Venice, Italy

1941: Penicillin was first used on a human being. The patient was a policeman from Oxford, England

1971: South Vietnamese troops, aided by U.S. forces, entered Laos

1990: Nelson Mandela, newly released from a South African jail, got a hero's welcome on his return to the black township of Soweto