

**Saturday, March 21**

# ON THIS DAY



▲ **1990: Namibia, formerly known as South West Africa, became independent after 75 years of South African rule**

**1617: Native American princess Pocahontas died aged 22, on her return journey to Virginia from England**

**1871: Otto von Bismarck opened the first Reichstag, or Parliament, in the newly created German Reich**

**1917: Tsar Nicholas II and his family were arrested by the revolutionary forces in Russia**

**2001: Anthropologists in Kenya unearthed a 3.5 million year-old skull, known as “flat-faced man”**