

**Thursday, April 30**

# *ON THIS DAY*



▲ **1948: The first Land Rover was exhibited at a Dutch motor show**

**1770:** Canadian explorer David Thompson was born. The first white man to explore the entire Columbia river, he also mapped vast areas of Canada and the American West

**1815: The Central provinces were designated as the Kingdom of Poland, under Alexander of Russia**

**1980:** Terrorists seized the Iranian embassy in London, demanding the release of political prisoners in Iran

**2008: Moscow accused Georgia of preparing to invade its breakaway region of Abkhazia**