

Sunday, July 5

ON THIS DAY



▲ **1948: The National Health Service came into operation in Britain**

1811: Venezuela became the first Spanish colony in the Americas to declare its independence from Spain

1865: William Booth founded the Christian Mission, later renamed the Salvation Army, in London

1959: Indonesian President Sukarno dissolved parliament and assumed dictatorial powers for himself

2008: Venus Williams captured her fifth Wimbledon title by beating her younger sister Serena 7-5 6-4 in the first Grand Slam final contested between the sisters for five years