

**Sunday, August 9**

# *ON THIS DAY*



▲ **1969:** Pregnant actress Sharon Tate and four others were brutally murdered at her California home by followers of Charles Manson

**1631:** John Dryden, Britain's first official Poet Laureate, was born

**1842:** The Webster-Ashburton Treaty established the boundary between the United States and Canada from Maine to the Great Lakes

**1990:** China's first airship, 40 metres long, made its maiden flight over Hubei

**2008:** At least 38 Warao Indians died in Venezuela from a suspected outbreak of rabies transmitted by vampire bats