

Thursday, August 27

ON THIS DAY



▲ **2007:** Wildfires raging throughout much of Greece claimed 67 lives and left thousands homeless

1828: Uruguay formally became a sovereign nation under the Treaty of Rio de Janeiro

1910: Thomas Edison demonstrated the first talking motion pictures at his New Jersey laboratory

1939: The world's first jet-propelled aeroplane, the Heinkel 178, made its first flight in northern Germany

1999: U.S. scientists reported finding liquid water in a meteorite; it was the first time that water had been found in an object from outer space