

**Wednesday, January 6**

# *ON THIS DAY*



▲ **1412:** French warrior saint Joan of Arc is traditionally thought to have been born in Domremy, France

**1066:** England's last Anglo-Saxon king, Harold, was crowned

**1852:** Louis Braille, inventor of the system that enables blind people to read, died of tuberculosis

**1989:** The Soviet Union rehabilitated thousands of people who were victims of Stalin's purges

**2009:** Russia's gas monopoly Gazprom said Ukraine had blocked three key gas pipelines to Europe, preventing delivery to countries suffering severe wintry conditions