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ON THIS DAY



▲ **2008: French President Nicolas Sarkozy married Italian-born singer and former supermodel Carla Bruni**

1556: The world's worst earthquake killed some 830,000 people in China's Shaanxi, Shansi and Henan provinces

1918: U.S. boxer John L. Sullivan, world heavyweight champion as a bareknuckle fighter in 1882, died

1971: Idi Amin declared himself absolute ruler of Uganda

2009: The UN launched a \$613m appeal for funds to meet emergency relief in Gaza following 22 days of fighting between Gaza's Hamas rulers and Israel