

**Monday, March 29**

# ON THIS DAY



▲ **2008:** Zimbabwe's presidential election appeared to give victory to opposition MDC party leader Morgan Tsvangirai, but President Robert Mugabe refused to yield power

**1849:** Britain annexed the Punjab after the defeat of the Sikhs in India

**1886:** Coca-Cola went on sale for the first time in Atlanta, Georgia

**1973:** The last remaining U.S. combat troops withdrew from Vietnam

**2009:** Italian and Libyan navy ships rescued 23 survivors and retrieved 21 bodies after a boat carrying migrants across the Mediterranean capsized in rough weather