

Saturday, July 24

ON THIS DAY



▲ **2009: King Juan Carlos of Spain inaugurated the Gran Telescopio Canarias, the world's largest reflecting telescope**

1775: French detective Eugene Francois Vidocq, who set up the world's first detective agency, was born

1866: Tennessee became the first state to be re-admitted to the Union following the American Civil War

1925: A six-year-old girl became the first patient to be successfully treated with insulin, at Guy's Hospital, London

2001: The Bulgarian parliament approved the appointment of former King Simeon II as prime minister