

**Saturday, August 7**

# ON THIS DAY



▲ **1858: Ottawa became the capital city of the new Dominion of Canada**

**1485:** Henry Tudor landed in Wales at the start of his successful bid to seize the English throne

**1947:** Thor Heyerdahl's raft *Kon Tiki* reached Polynesia 101 days after leaving Peru

**1990:** The ANC suspended its 29-year guerilla campaign against white rule, paving the way for talks with the South African government

**2009:** Shootouts left at least 11 dead following a running battle between police and gunmen in the central Mexican city of Pachuca