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ON THIS DAY



▲ 2009: A court in Burma found Aung San Suu Kyi guilty of violating the terms of her detention, and sentenced her to a further 18 months house arrest

1860: The first successful silver mill in the U.S. began operation in Nevada

1960: The French colony of Chad gained independence

1965: The Watts riots erupted in Los Angeles, lasted six days, left 35 people dead and caused \$200m in damages

2009: Eunice Kennedy Shriver, the sister of President John F. Kennedy and founder of the Special Olympics, died at the age of 88