

Thursday, September 2

ON THIS DAY



▲ **1910: French painter Henri Rousseau, noted for his exotic landscapes, died in Paris**

1666: The Great Fire of London began in a bakery in Pudding Lane

1898: The last full-scale cavalry charge of modern warfare took place at the Battle of Omdurman in Sudan

1996: The Philippines government and Muslim rebels signed a peace pact to end a 24-year war that killed 125,000

2009: British energy company BP said it had drilled one of the deepest ever wells in the oil and gas industry after making a "giant" discovery in the Gulf of Mexico