

**Thursday, September 23**

# *ON THIS DAY*



**▲ 2009: Sydney was smothered in an eerie red haze as Australia's east coast suffered its worst dust storm in seven decades**

**1642:** The first students graduated from Harvard College in Cambridge, Massachusetts

**1920: American actor Mickey Rooney, one of the best known stars of the late 1930s and 40s, was born as Joe Yule Jr. He turns 90 today**

**1932:** Hijaz, Nejd and other districts were merged to form the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia

**2009: India successfully launched seven satellites in a single mission**