

**Tuesday, October 26**

# *ON THIS DAY*



▲ **1967: Mohammed Reza Pahlavi was formally crowned Shah of Iran on his 48th birthday, having deferred his coronation for 26 years**

**1825: The Erie Canal, connecting Lake Erie with the Hudson River and New York, opened to maritime traffic**

**1955: After the withdrawal of Allied occupying troops, Austria passed a law declaring the country's neutrality**

**1980: The worldwide eradication of smallpox was announced**

**2009: Former Bosnian Serb leader Radovan Karadzic failed to appear on the first day of his war crimes trial in The Hague**