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ON THIS DAY



▲ 2009: A U.S. Airways A320 with 155 people on board ditched into a chilly Hudson River after striking a flock of birds shortly after take-off from New York's LaGuardia Airport

1880: The first telephone directory was published in London

1902: Saud, King of Saudi Arabia from 1953-64 and the second-born son of Ibn Saud, was born

1971: The Aswan High Dam was opened in Egypt

2009: China revised its estimate of its economic growth in 2007 to 13%, overtaking Germany to become the world's third largest economy